

Camane, fado singer from Portugal, caps off Viva Portugal Festival at The Zeiterion

Zeiterion Performing Arts Center is pleased to present one of Portugal's most famous fadistas, Camané, for a beautiful evening of fado on Saturday, May 4, at 8:00 p.m. He will be joined by Ana Sofia Varela, a rising star in the genre, immediately following Viva Portugal, a free, family-friendly festival featuring Portuguese food, music and culture. Tickets for Camané's performance range from \$39 to \$59 and can be purchased by calling 508-994-2900, online at <https://zeiterion.org/>, or at the Zeiterion Box Office at 684 Purchase Street in New Bedford. Group sales of 10 tickets and more are available by calling 508-997-5664 x1233.

Camané is the leading male singer of the new generation of Portugal's native urban song, fado, ever since his first album came out in 1995 – and one of the few men working within this most tricky field. He is also one of the most outstanding Portuguese singers to have come out of any generation; a voice so smooth and soulful, so passionate and yet controlled, that you wonder how such wise and weary vocal stylings could belong to someone so young. Camané replaces Carlos do Carmo, who is unable to travel to the United States due to health concerns.

In addition to songs from the scope of Camané's career, the performance will feature special guest Ana Sofia Varela. Varela started her musical career singing at age 10, and she has since risen to stardom within fado. Joining the fadistas on stage will be Carlos Manuel Proença on classic guitar, Luis Guerreiro on Portuguese guitar, and Marino de Freitas on bass.

Preceding Camané's performance will be Viva Portugal, the free, family-friendly festival outside the Zeiterion from 1:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. The event is held in conjunction with several local Portuguese-American organizations to bring the tastes, sights and sounds of Portuguese culture and heritage to downtown New Bedford. The event will feature food and craft vendors, cooking demonstrations, a performance by The Portuguese Kids comedy troupe, and much more. No ticket or reservation needed.

The Zeiterion Performing Arts Center is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization with a mission to provide New Bedford and the region with performing arts programming of excellence that inspires, educates, engages and entertains. Tickets are available for purchase at www.zeiterion.org, by calling 508-994-2900, or in person at the box office at 684 Purchase Street, New Bedford, Mass. Zeiterion Box Office regular hours are Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Thursday 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., Saturday 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., and two hours before each performance.