## **Presenter Comments:**

Julian's performance was certainly proclaimed a "festival favorite" and received rave reviews from audience members who commented on his artistry, stage presence, humor, and skill in engaging the audience in lively interaction and conversation throughout the evening. (Denise Ringler, Director of Arts, Schaefer Center for the Performing Arts, North Carolina)

The audience raved about his abilities as a pianist and a storyteller. Julian's ability to weave personal stories into his program was a delight and very well received by our audience. (Kyle Rupert, President, Jasper Arts, Jasper Indiana)

Julian's talent as a pianist was astonishing and his humor was so much more warm, sincere and original than we could have hoped, the audience was partly in love and partly in stitches! (Pat Underwood, Executive Director, The Tassel Performing Arts Center, Nebraska)

A Julian Gargiulo concert is entertainment in every sense of the word. Julian brings energy, joy, humor and virtuoso piano playing to every event. Whatever the format, whatever the information, a Julian Gargiulo concert is great music and guaranteed happiness. (Susan Fisher, Mrs. Charles Avery Fisher)

Genius pianist, composer, and true-to-life dab-hand funnyman, Julian Lawrence Gargiulo. Everything he touches is so damn out-of-the-ordinary, it's galvanizingly mind-boggling. (Geoffrey John Davies, Founder and CEO, The Violin Channel)

Julian Gargiulo's *Chopin and Champagne* evening was the most fun I have had at a classical music event that I can remember... it was absolutely brilliant. Julian hit all the right notes, combining the highest artistic level with a truly hilarious and original comedy routine. Everyone loved it (and laughed a lot), from professional musicians to novices. How can you not fall in love with classical music after experiencing Julian's artistry?

(Charles Letourneau, Senior Vice-President, IMG Artists)