PAOLO RUSSO new album out:

PIANO SOLO - VOL. I CLAVICEMBALISTI ITALIANI

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The musical expression and the repertoire that Paolo Russo explores on his first solo piano classical album is deeply rooted in his early years when, as an external student at the classical conservatory in his hometown Pescara, Italy, he was under the wings of the legendary teacher Sg. Rachele Marchegiani, to whom the album is dedicated. The Baroque music has always held a big place in Russo's heart and has followed him from the early years to later in the background through the RMC (Rhythmic Music Conservatory) in Copenhagen and then throughout his long career as a pianist and



bandoneonist - internationally recognized not least for his innovative approach to the bandoneon and his personal artistic expression.

On the album "Paolo Russo Solo Piano Vol I - Clavicembalisti Italiani", you can hear this wonderful ancient material filtered through his authentic character and his fierce musical expression. As he describes it in his own words:

"My approach, as a primarily rhythmical musician, to these brilliant pieces of Italian Baroque Music is quite unorthodox. I am inspired by the harmonic and rhythmical structures that are recognisable in my own music, as well as in some jazz music today. So I mark the accents, place the tempos, feel the 'grooves' and the dynamics a little differently – and take some liberties where a classically trained musician perhaps wouldn't.



I believe that we must continue to keep exploring and being open-minded, searching for new paths and roads to walk, even when facing the music gems of the past:

> Revive and ignite Respect and remember"

This recording is based on the precious work of Renzo Silvestri, in the book "18 Composizioni Clavicembalistche Italiane" (Ricordi – 1984), containing a remarkable anthology, which has been part of the regular studies within the Italian Classical Conservatory programme.

Track	a list:		
1.	Sonata in La maggiore	Domenico Scarlatti	4:57
2.	Sonata in Sol maggiore	Domenico Scarlatti	2:12
3.	Minuetto in Si bemolle maggiore	Domenico Scarlatti	2:57
4.	Minuetto in Sol maggiore	Domenico Scarlatti	4:53
5.	Sonata in Mi minore	Domenico Scarlatti	3:06
6.	Sonata in Fa minore	Domenico Scarlatti	3:49
7.	Largo	Domenico Zipoli	1:50
8.	Andantino	Baldassarre Galuppi	5:18
9.	Allegro	Baldassarre Galuppi	2:33
10.	Allegro	Baldassarre Galuppi	3:36
11.	Presto	Baldassarre Galuppi	4:51
12.	Allegro	Antonio Gaetano Pampani	1:59
13.	Siciliana	Antonio Gaetano Pampani	2:18
14.	Andantino	Antonio Gaetano Pampani	2:33
15.	Allegro assai	Antonio Gaetano Pampani	2:42
16.	Presto	Benedetto Legati	2:52
17.	Sonata in Sol maggiore	Benedetto Legati	5:05
18.	Sonata III	Giacomo Croce	4:17

INFO BOX

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This album is dedicated to the memory of Paolo Russo's beloved piano teacher, **Rachele Marchegiani** ("La Signora").

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