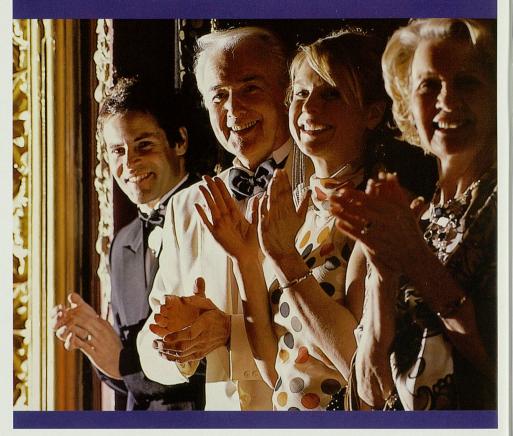


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FROM THE U-M PRESIDENT

When the University Musical Society (UMS) performance. We at the University of Michigan are proud of UMS and of the world-class artists and ensembles that it brings each season to the University and southeast Michigan. As UMS marks its 130th continuous season, making it the oldest university-related presenter in the United States, we are also celebrating the outstanding educational programs it offers to people of all ages and the new works in dance, theater, and music it commissions.

When I consider which UMS events best exemplify the melding of artistic performance and education, I point to the three-week residencies of the Royal Shakespeare Company (RSC) that we have enjoyed in 2001, 2003, and 2006, two of which were US exclusive presentations attracting audiences from 39 states and five countries.

I am pleased UMS has chosen to celebrate the partnership between the RSC, UMS, and U-M at this year's **14th Ford Honors Program**. At the heart of this unique partnership has been the extraordinary artist-scholar relation-ship between the RSC's Olivier Award-winning Artistic Director Michael Boyd and U-M's beloved Professor Ralph Williams, both of whom will be honored at the program. This year's Ford Honors Program, usually held in May, will take place **Saturday, January 24, 2009**, so that students who have participated in the RSC residencies or who have had Professor Williams in class will be able to attend. Professor Williams will retire from U-M at the end of this academic year, and I hope you will join me at this very special event.

This UMS winter season also brings us multi-day performances combined with numerous educational opportunities when the **New York Philharmonic** visits on March 7 and 8, and when **Yo-Yo Ma** brings his Silk Road Project to campus March 13 and 14.

Audience members also have a chance to delve into the rich diversity of cultural expressions from the Arab world, as UMS completes its **Performing Arts of the Arab World** series this term. I encourage you to attend *Gilgamesh* in January, *Aswat: Celebrating the Golden Age of Arab Music* in March, and **Mohammed Bennis and the Hmadcha Ensemble** in April along with the educational programs surrounding them.

There are many other UMS events as well as performances, exhibitions, and cultural activities offered by our faculty and students in U-M's many other units. To learn more about arts and culture at Michigan, including the March 21 performance commemorating the 25th anniversary of U-M's acclaimed musical theater program and the March 28 grand re-opening of the restored and expanded U-M Museum of Art, please visit the University's website at www.umich.edu.

Sincerely,

Mary Sue Coleman President, University of Michigan



FROM THE UMS PRESIDENT

Welcome to this UMS performance. Thank you for supporting UMS through your attendance, especially during these challenging times. The entire UMS family of Board, Senate, and Advisory Committee members; staff colleagues; Choral Union members; ushers; and hundreds of other volunteers are grateful that you're here and hope that you'll enjoy the experience and attend more UMS events during this second half of our 130th season. You'll find all of our remaining performances listed on page 2 of your program insert.

At UMS, we try to make sure that our events offer a chance to learn something new, to look at the world through a different lens, or even to change lives. You'll find much to choose from as solo artists and ensembles from all over the world visit our community and engage with our audiences in many ways. Artists can lift the spirit, challenge perceptions, provide comfort, and deepen understanding. So whether it's the **Guarneri Quartet's Farewell Tour** concert; the **New York Philharmonic**'s residency; **Simon Shaheen's** *Aswat* production; **Yo-Yo Ma**'s two Silk Road events; **Chick Corea and John McLaughlin**'s reunion; or our **2009 Ford Honors Program** celebrating the **Royal Shakespeare Company**, its Artistic Director **Michael Boyd**, and U-M Professor **Ralph Williams**, we hope you'll find meaning and value as we connect you with our artists for uncommon and engaging experiences.

I have had the pleasure over the past two years of working in partnership with UMS Board Chair Carl Herstein, who has provided outstanding lay leadership to UMS. His term comes to an end in June. Be sure to read his letter on P/5 of this program book, and you'll get a sense of how we've benefited from his knowledge of our history, his understanding of the power of the arts, and his deep appreciation of each member of the UMS family who attends our performances, donates to our organization, or volunteers their services. Thanks for your dedicated service, Carl.

Feel free to get in touch with me if you have any questions, comments, or problems. If you don't see me in the lobby, send me an e-mail message at kenfisch@umich.edu or call me at 734.647.1174.

And thanks again for coming to this event.

Very best wishes,

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Kenneth C. Fischer UMS President



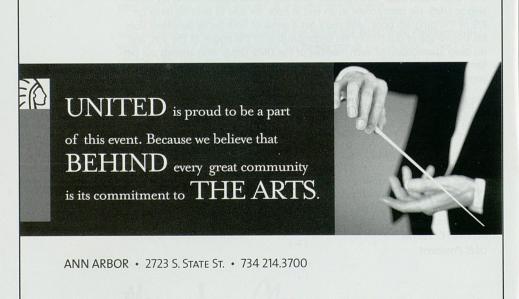
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FROM UMS CHAIRMAN, CARL HERSTEIN

In these times of economic uncertainty and unease about the future, the power of the arts reminds us of enduring values. In its 130 years, UMS and its numerous generations of patrons and audiences have seen many times of anxiety and turmoil, each of which was unprecedented in its day. Throughout that time, great artists performing important works helped the UMS community come to grips with the world. In some cases this occurred because the performance of a classic work brought a sense of reassurance, harmony, and peace. In others, a modern work challenged the audience to come to terms with unsettling new realities. The best of these performances were transformative events, helping to shape the emotional and intellectual response of each audience member to contemporary events.

We are immensely fortunate that an appreciation of this powerful legacy led these audiences to steward UMS safely through the vicissitudes of world wars, global depression, demographic and cultural changes, and intellectual and scientific revolutions. The arts which UMS has presented and fostered have remained an indispensable part of our common ability to make sense of a world that never ceases to amaze, surprise, and sometimes frighten us. Succeeding generations have bequeathed to us a legacy of involvement and support so that we too are able to enjoy the sustenance and inspiration that is the gift of great art.

It is, therefore, critically important that we do our part to cherish and preserve the legacy that our community is so fortunate to enjoy. By bringing friends to performances, becoming involved with the UMS Advisory Committee, participating in educational events, supporting youth performances, and providing the ever-critical financial support that makes the work of UMS possible, you are continuing the work of bringing the power of the arts to us all at a time when it is very much needed. We want to thank all of you who have participated in this work with your support of the UMS Difference Campaign, which has been a success due to the commitment not merely of a few, but of 4,279 of you who believe that what UMS does makes a real difference in the life of our community. If you are one of those 4.279, you have our deepest thanks and our encouragement to continue to be a vital part of the UMS family; if you have not yet contributed, please consider deepening your engagement with us. We think you will find, as so many others have before you, that it will make your UMS experience more meaningful, more personal, and will have the added benefit of making it more accessible to others who have not vet enjoyed the experiences that have been so important to you and to us.

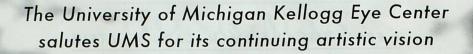
Thank you for coming to this performance. Whether you have come a hundred times before or for the first time today, please know that you are always welcome in the UMS family; a group which gathers strength from its diversity, honors its extraordinary past, and works for a future of excellence no matter what transient challenges we may face.

Sincerely,

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For hearing-impaired persons, Hill Auditorium, Power Center, and Rackham Auditorium are equipped with assistive listening devices. Earphones may be obtained upon arrival. Please ask an usher for assistance.

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UMS offers valet parking service for Hill Auditorium performances in the 08/09 Choral Union series. Cars may be dropped off in front of Hill Auditorium beginning one hour before each performance. There is a \$20 fee for this service. UMS members at the Concertmaster level (\$7,500) and above are invited to use this service at no charge.

Other recommended parking that may not be as crowded as on-campus structures: Liberty Square structure (formerly Tally Hall), entrance off of Washington Street between Division and State; about a two-block walk from most performance venues, \$2 after 3 pm weekdays and all day Saturday/Sunday. Maynard Street structure, entrances off Maynard and Thompson between Willliam and Liberty, \$.80/hr, free on Sunday.

For up-to-date parking information, please visit www.ums.org/parking.

Refreshments

Refreshments are available in the lobby during intermissions at events in the Power Center, in the lower lobby of Hill Auditorium (beginning 75 minutes prior to concerts—enter through the west lobby doors), and in the Michigan Theater. Refreshments are not allowed in the seating areas.

Smoking Areas

University of Michigan policy forbids smoking in any public area, including the lobbies and restrooms.

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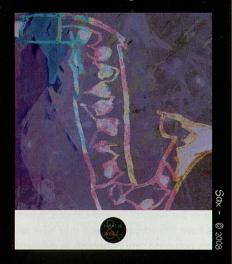


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• UMS HISTORY

hrough a commitment to presentation, education, and the creation of new work, the University Musical Society (UMS) serves Michigan audiences by bringing to our community an ongoing series of world-class artists, who represent the diverse spectrum of today's vigorous and exciting live performing arts world. Over the past 130 years, strong leadership coupled with a devoted community has placed UMS in a league of internationally recognized performing arts presenters. Today, the UMS seasonal program is a reflection of a thoughtful respect for this rich and varied history, balanced by a commitment to dynamic and creative visions of where the performing arts will take us in this new millennium. Every day UMS seeks to cultivate, nurture, and stimulate public interest and participation in every facet of the live arts.

UMS grew from a group of local university and townspeople who gathered together for the study of Handel's *Messiah*. Led by Professor Henry Simmons Frieze and conducted by Professor Calvin Cady, the group assumed the name The Choral Union. Their first performance of Handel's *Messiah* was in December of 1879 and this glorious oratorio has since been performed by the UMS Choral Union annually.

As many Choral Union members also belonged to the University, the University Musical Society was established in December, 1880. UMS included the Choral Union and University Orchestra, and throughout the year presented a series of concerts featuring local and visiting artists and ensembles.

Since that first season in 1880, UMS has expanded greatly and now presents the very best from the full spectrum of the performing arts-internationally renowned recitalists and orchestras, dance and chamber ensembles. jazz and world music performers, and opera and theater. Through educational endeavors, commissioning of new works, youth programs, artist residencies, and other collaborative projects. UMS has maintained its reputation for quality, artistic distinction, and innovation. UMS now hosts over 50 performances and more than 125 educational events each season. UMS has flourished with the support of a generous community that this year gathers in eight different Ann Arbor venues.

The UMS Choral Union has likewise expanded its charge over its 130-year history. Recent collaborations have included the Grammy Award-winning recording of William Bolcom's Songs of Innocence and of Experience (2004), John Adams's On the Transmigration of Souls with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra (2007), and Shostakovich's Symphony No. 13 ("Babi Yar") with the Kirov Orchestra of St. Petersburg (2006).

While proudly affiliated with the University of Michigan, housed on the Ann Arbor campus, and a regular collaborator with many University units, UMS is a separate not-for-profit organization that supports itself from ticket sales, corporate and individual contributions, foundation and government grants, special project support from U-M, and endowment income.

• UMS VENUES AND BURTON MEMORIAL TOWER

Hill Auditorium

After an 18-month \$38.6-million dollar renovation overseen by Albert Kahn Associates, Inc. and historic preservation architects Quinn Evans/Architects, Hill Auditorium re-opened to the public in January 2004. Originally built in 1913, renovations have updated Hill's infrastructure and restored much of the interior to its original splendor. Exterior renovations include the reworking of brick paving and stone retaining wall areas, restoration of the south entrance plaza, reworking of the west barrier-free ramp and loading dock, and improvements to landscaping.

Interior renovations included the creation of additional restrooms, the improvement of barrier-free circulation by providing elevators and an addition with ramps, new seats to



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Hill Auditorium seats 3,575.

Michigan Theater

The historic Michigan Theater opened January 5, 1928 at the peak of the vaudeville/movie palace era. Designed by Maurice Finkel, the 1.710-seat theater cost around \$600,000 when it was first built. As was the custom of the day, the theater was equipped to host both film and live stage events, with a full-size stage, dressing rooms, an orchestra pit, and the Barton Theater Organ. At its opening, the theater was acclaimed as the best of its kind in the country. Since 1979, the theater has been operated by the not-for-profit Michigan Theater Foundation. With broad community support, the Foundation has raised over \$8 million to restore and improve the Michigan Theater. The beautiful interior of the theater was restored in 1986.

In the fall of 1999, the Michigan Theater opened a new 200-seat screening room addition, which also included expanded restroom facilities for the historic theater. The gracious facade and entry vestibule was restored in 2000.

Power Center

The Power Center for the Performing Arts grew out of a realization that the University of Michigan had no adequate proscenium-stage theater for the performing arts. Hill Auditorium was too massive and technically limited for most productions, and the Lydia Mendelssohn Theatre was too small. The Power Center was built to supply this missing link in design and seating capacity.

In 1963, Eugene and Sadye Power, together with their son Philip, wished to make a major gift to the University, and amidst a list of University priorities "a new theater" was mentioned. The Powers were immediately interested, realizing that state and federal governments were unlikely to provide financial support for the construction of a new theater.

Opening in 1971 with the world première of The Grass Harp (based on the novel by Truman Capote), the Power Center achieved the seemingly contradictory combination of providing a soaring interior space with a unique level of intimacy. Architectural features include two large spiral staircases leading from the orchestra level to the balcony and the wellknown mirrored glass panels on the exterior. The lobby of the Power Center presently features two hand-woven tapestries: Modern Tapestry by Roy Lichtenstein and Volutes (Arabesque) by Pablo Picasso.

The Power Center seats approximately 1,400 people.

Arbor Springs Water Company is generously providing complimentary water to UMS artists backstage at the Power Center throughout the 08/09 season.

Rackham Auditorium

Sixty years ago, chamber music concerts in Ann Arbor were a relative rarity, presented in an assortment of venues including University Hall (the precursor to Hill Auditorium), Hill Auditorium, and Newberry Hall, the current home of the Kelsey Museum. When Horace H. Rackham, a Detroit lawyer who believed strongly in the importance of the study of human history and human thought, died in 1933, his will awarded the University of Michigan the funds not only to build the Horace H. Rackham Graduate School, which houses Rackham Auditorium, but also to establish a \$4 million endowment to further the development of graduate studies. Even more remarkable than the size of the gift is the fact that neither he nor his wife ever attended the University of Michigan.

Designed by architect William Kapp and architectural sculptor Corrado Parducci, Rackham Auditorium was guickly recognized

as the ideal venue for chamber music. In 1941, UMS presented its first chamber music festival with the Musical Art Quartet of New York performing three concerts in as many days, and the current Chamber Arts Series was born in 1963. Chamber music audiences and artists alike appreciate the intimacy, beauty, and fine acoustics of the 1,129-seat auditorium, which has been the location for hundreds of chamber music concerts throughout the years.

St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church

Dedicated in 1969, St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church has grown from 248 families when it first started to more than 2,800 today. The present church seats 1,000 people and has ample free parking. In 1994, St. Francis purchased a splendid three manual "mechanical action" organ with 34 stops and 45 ranks, built and installed by Orgues Letourneau from Saint Hyacinthe, Quebec. Through dedication, a commitment to superb liturgical music, and a vision to the future, the parish improved the acoustics of the church building, and the reverberant sanctuary has made the church a gathering place for the enjoyment and contemplation of sacred a cappella choral music and early music ensembles.

Burton Memorial Tower

Seen from miles away, Burton Memorial Tower is one of the most well-known University of Michigan and Ann Arbor landmarks. Designed by Albert Kahn in 1935 as a memorial to U-M President Marion Leroy Burton, the 10-story tower is built of Indiana limestone with a height of 212 feet. The carillon, one of only 23 in the world, is the world's fourth heaviest containing 55 bells and weighing a total of 43 tons. UMS has occupied administrative offices in this building since its opening, with a brief pause in the year 2000 for significant renovations.

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Remember, everyone must have a ticket, regardless of age.

While in the Auditorium

Starting Time Every attempt is made to begin concerts on time. Latecomers are asked to wait in the lobby until seated by ushers at a predetermined time in the program.

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Event Program Book

Thursday, February 12 through Sunday, March 8, 2009

Sweet Honey In The Rock

Thursday, February 12, 8:00 pm Hill Auditorium

Kodo

Friday, February 13, 8:00 pm Hill Auditorium

Batsheva Dance Company

Saturday, February 14, 8:00 pm Sunday, February 15, 4:00 pm Power Center

New York Philharmonic

Saturday, March 7, 8:00 pm Sunday, March 8, 7:00 pm Hill Auditorium 11

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Fall 2008

September

10-14 Wed-Sun – Complicite: A Disappearing Number 19-20 Fri-Sat – Mark Morris Dance Group 27 Sat – Wayne Shorter Ouartet and the Imani Winds

October

- 4 Sat The Art of the Oud featuring Omar Bashir, Rahim AlHaj, and Farida and the Iraqi Maqam Ensemble
- 12 Sun Sphinx Orchestra
- 12 Sun Tokyo String Quartet with
 - Sabine Meyer, clarinet
- 15 Wed Compagnie Heddy Maalem: The Rite of Spring
- 17 Fri Soweto Gospel Choir
- 18 Sat Milton Nascimento and the Jobim Tric
- 19 Sun Camerata Salzburg with
 - Anne-Sophie Mutter, violin
- 24 Fri András Schiff: Beethoven Concert 5
- 26 Sun András Schiff: Beethoven Concert 6
- 27 Mon Michigan Chamber Players

November

7 Fri – Joe Lovano "Us Five" Quintet and Jason Moran 8 Sat – Emanuel Ax and Yefim Bronfman, pianos 13 Thu – Estonian Philharmonic Chamber Choir 16 Sun – Jerusalem Symphony Orchestra with Robert

McDuffie, violin

December

6-7 Sat-Sun - Handel's Messiah

Winter 2009

January

- 9-11 Fri-Sun Rubberbandance Group
- 11 Sun Guarneri String Quartet
- 16 Fri Tord Gustavsen Trio
- 23-24 *Fri-Sat Gilgamesh:* Kinan Azmeh, clarinet and Kevork Mourad, MaxMSP
- 24 Sat Ford Honors Program honoring the Royal Shakespeare Company, Michael Boyd, and Ralph Williams
- 25 Sun Richard Goode, piano
- 29 Thu Chanticleer
- 31 Sat Michigan Chamber Players

February

7 Sat – Lawrence Brownlee, tenor with Martin Katz, piano

12 *Thu* – Sweet Honey In The Rock 13 *Fri* – Kodo 14-15 *Sat-Sun* – Batsheva Dance Company

March

7-8 Sat-Sun - New York Philharmonic

- 10 Tue Wynton Marsalis and Jazz at Lincoln Center Orchestra
- 11 Wed Brentano String Quartet with Peter Serkin, piano and Thomas Meglioranza, baritone
- 12 *Thu* Aswat: Celebrating the Golden Age of Arab Music with Simon Shaheen and the Golden Age Orchestra
- 13-14 Fri-Sat The Silk Road Ensemble with Yo-Yo Ma, cello
- 18 Wed Altenberg Trio Vienna
- 22 *Sun* Zakir Hussain, tabla with Pandit Shivkumar Sharma, santoor
- 26 Thu The Romeros
- 29 Sun Dan Zanes & Friends

April

- 1 Wed John Williams, guitar
- 2 Thu St. Louis Symphony Orchestra with Anssi Karttunen, cello
- 4 Sat Chick Corea and John McLaughlin: Five Peace Band
- 9 Thu András Schiff: Beethoven Concert 7
- 11 Sat András Schiff: Beethoven Concert 8
- 16 Thu Kurt Elling Sings the Coltrane/Hartman Songbook
- 17 Fri Takács Quartet with Marc-André Hamelin, piano
- 18-19 *Sat-Sun* Mohammed Bennis and the Hmadcha Ensemble (from the Fez Festival of Sufi Culture)
- 23 Thu UMS Choral Union
- 24 Fri Julia Fischer, violin with Milana Chernyavska, piano 25-26 Sat-Sun – Compagnie Marie Chouinard

UMS Educational Events through March 8, 2009

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Kodo

Engage Off-Stage: Drums!

Friday, February 13, Pre-performance Hill Auditorium Lower Lobby, 825 N. University Ave.

Prior to the start of the Kodo performance, visit the Hill Lower Lobby to experience a special drum exhibit that the U-M Stearns Collection of Musical Instruments has installed. The exhibit's experts are all Clague Middle School students who recently learned about the drums from local scholars and performers. Event is free and open to audience members.

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Aswat (Voices)

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38th Performance of the 130th Annual Season

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Sweet Honey In The Rock appears by arrangement with Opus 3 Artists, New York, NY.

Large print programs are available upon request.

Founded by Bernice Johnson Reagon in 1973 at the DC Black Repertory Theater Company, **Sweet Honey In The Rock**[®], internationally renowned a cappella ensemble, has been a vital and innovative presence in the music culture of Washington DC and in communities of conscience around the world.

From Psalm 81:16 comes the promise to a people of being fed by honey out of the rock. Honey—an ancient substance, sweet and nurturing. Rock—an elemental strength, enduring the winds of time. The metaphor of sweet honey in the rock completely captures these African American women whose repertoire is steeped in the sacred music of the Black church, the clarion calls of the civil rights movement, and songs of the struggle for justice everywhere.

Rooted in a deeply held commitment to create music out of the rich textures of African American legacy and traditions, Sweet Honey In The Rock possesses a stunning vocal prowess that captures the complex sounds of blues, spirituals, traditional gospel hymns, rap, reggae, African chants, Hip Hop, ancient lullabies, and jazz improvisation. Sweet Honey's collective voice, occasionally accompanied by hand percussion instruments, produces a sound filled with soulful harmonies and intricate rhythms.

In the best and in the hardest of times, Sweet Honey In The Rock has come in song to communities across the US and around the world raising her voice in hope, love, justice, peace, and resistance. Sweet Honey invites her audiences to open their minds and hearts and think about who we are and how we treat each other, our fellow creatures who share this planet, and of course, the planet itself. The 08/09 season finds Sweet Honey celebrating her 35th birthday. What a year it has been and what a year it will be!

Sweet Honey's latest release, *Experience...101* was a 2008 Grammy Award nominee. After attending the awards ceremony in Los Angeles and walking the red carpet, the group summed up the experience in one word: amazing. The excitement continued as Sweet Honey was asked to compose new material in celebration of the Alvin Ailey Dance Theater's 50th anniversary. Together these two artistic treasures of the African American experience are performing a once-in-a-lifetime collaboration throughout the US.

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onight marks Sweet Honey In The Rock's eighth appearance under UMS auspices, following ensemble's most recent UMS the performance in April 2006. In May 2004, Sweet Honey In The Rock performed at the ninth annual Ford Honors Program, where the group received UMS's Distinguished Artist Award. Sweet Honey not only has a performance history with UMS in Ann Arbor extending back to 1993, but the ensemble also performed in Washington DC prior to and in support of U-M's oral argument on affirmative action at the Supreme Court.

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Program

Friday Evening, February 13, 2009 at 8:00 Hill Auditorium • Ann Arbor

One Earth Tour 2009

Leonard Eto	Zoku
Tsubasa Hori	Tobira
Traditional, Arr. Kodo	Miyake
Shogo Yoshii	Tamayura-no-Michi
Maki Ishii	Monochrome
Mitsuru Ishizuka	Koi-koi Fusha
Ryutaro Kaneko	Jang-Gwara
Eiichi Saito	Sankan-shion
Shogo Yoshii	Kumo-no-Namiji
Kodo, Arr. Kodo	O-daiko
Traditional, Arr. Kodo	Yatai-bayashi
	This evening's performance runs one hour and 40 minutes and is performed without intermission.
39th Performance of the 130th Annual Season	The 08/09 Family Series is sponsored by Toyota.
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prohibited.	Large print programs are available upon request.

Zoku (1989) Leonard Eto

Zoku means tribe, family, or clan. In this case, the tribe is the group of people who have come together to play the drums. When you hear the rhythms, your body will start to move on its own, perhaps reflecting a primal stirring within the subconscious.

Tobira (2006)

Tsubasa Hori

I longed to see a world beyond this one, so I searched for the door, or Tobira, that would take me there. Until I open the door, I have no idea what awaits me on the other side.

In this piece, each beat is filled with the spirit of the drummers as they imagine embarking into an unknown world.

Miyake

Traditional, Arr. Kodo

Miyake Island is one of the seven volcanic islands of Izu south of Tokyo and has a festival centered on this unique style of drumming. The drums are set very low to the ground, requiring a strenuous stance, and the men drum with relentless power, like ocean waves beating upon the island shore.

Tamayura-no-Michi (2008)

Shogo Yoshii

Tamayura refers to dew resting on blades of grass. Beautiful yet fragile, it seems to speak of life itself. "Tamayura-no-Michi" (dew road) speaks of our journey through life, shining softly like the fleeting morning dew.

Monochrome (1976)

Maki Ishii

Weaving constant rhythmic patterns together with highly irregular ones, "Monochrome" develops spirally to an exciting climax. The listener might interpret the sounds as those of the changing of the seasons, or perhaps even the progression of life itself. The ambitious pace greatly expands the range and power of expression of the roped *shime-daiko*.

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Koi-koi Fusha (2008) Mitsuru Ishizuka

When this trio wanders into the spotlight, fun is bound to unfold.

Jang-Gwara (1992)

Ryutaro Kaneko

Small metal cymbals are found in the Near East, Middle East, and Asia, first coming to Japan in the early days of Buddhism as religious instruments. Today, they are known as *jangara*, *chappa*, and *tebira*, and are used for accompaniment at festivals. In this piece, players use various techniques to show the range of rhythms and sounds that can be produced by this ancient instrument.

Sankan-shion (2008)

Eiichi Saito

Sankan-shion, meaning "three cold days, four warm days," refers to a period towards the end of winter when this recurring pattern is said to occur. Through the long, severe winter, Sado is surrounded by heavy grey seas and threatening skies that make spring seem a long way off. Though they can still hear the whistling winter winds, the people of Sado begin to pray that spring really is just around the corner. Embodying that hope, this piece is played on the powerful *miya-daiko*.

Kumo-no-Namiji (2008)

Shogo Yoshii

Kumo-no Namiji literally means "sea route through the clouds," referring to a chain of white clouds that resembles the wake of a boat. This song was modeled on "Kiyari Uta," a work song for hauling large trees and rocks. It was sung to keep workers in time and to fire up team spirit and as a way of calling out to the nature around them. Different versions of the song still exist in several parts of Japan. "Kumo-no Namiji" expresses the Japanese people's deep-rooted sense of reverence towards nature, and a hope that the sound will linger in the sky like a path through the clouds.

O-daiko

Kodo, Arr. Kodo

This great drum, carved from a single tree, measures about four feet across and produces intense sounds that possess a deep tranquility. Lose yourself in the vibrations created when the power of the ancient drum and the pure drive of the drummer become one.

Yatai-bayashi

Traditional, Arr. Kodo

Every year on December 3 in Saitama Prefecture, an all-night festival is held featuring richly decorated two-story *yatai* (carts) pulled from village to village. The people hauling the *yatai* are urged on by the powerful beating of the *taiko*, concealed in the cramped first story of the carts. This gave rise to a technique of drumming while seated. Our version of the traditional "Yatai-bayashi" is played at a faster tempo, giving it a unique and fervent flavor.

Thirty-eight years ago, a small group of young people in Japan yearned for a new way to live. Disappointed with the direction of modern Japanese society and eager to rediscover traditional roots and values, they left their busy urban cultures behind and traveled north to remote Sado Island in the Sea of Japan.

They found a home in an abandoned schoolhouse by the sea and began to play the world's oldest instrument, the drum (*taiko*). Surrounded by Sado Island's rich performing arts traditions, they began to study other instruments



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as well—the *shamisen*, *koto*, and *shakuhachi*. They explored dance, song, and stagecraft along with the *taiko*'s limitless depth and range.

Years passed and the group's numbers grew. In time, Sado Island's unique culture, its four powerful seasons, and great natural beauty found expression in their art. There was a primal fierceness and determination to their work, and a playful, child-like curiosity. They called themselves **Kodo**, which means "heartbeat" and "children of the drum." They discovered that upon hearing the sounds of the great drum (*o-daiko*), carved from a single, massive tree trunk, babies fell fast asleep in their mothers' arms, lulled by the great heartbeat sound.

In ancient Japan, the *taiko* played a central role in most communities. It was said that the physical boundaries of a village could be defined by the farthest distance at which the *taiko* could be heard. When Kodo began touring the world nearly three decades ago, they discovered that the sound of the *taiko* had a similar effect. Wherever people heard the *taiko*, there was an instant sense of community, of one-ness. So the name "One Earth Tour" was born. Carried by the sound of the *taiko*, it has traveled the world with its message of shared humanity, environmental awareness, and peace ever since.

Kodo exploded onto the world stage at the Berlin Festival in 1981 and has delivered over 3,100 performances in more than 45 countries. The group's many recordings are available nearly everywhere.

For more about Kodo, visit www.kodo.or.jp.

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Program

Saturday Evening, February 14, 2009 at 8:00 Power Center • Ann Arbor

Three

Bellus

Music by J.S. Bach, Goldberg Variations, performed by Glenn Gould

Humus

Music by Brian Eno, Neroli

Secus

Music by Chari Chari, Kid 606 + Rayon (mixed by Stefan Ferry), AGF, Fennesz, Kaho Naa...Pyar Hai, Seefeel, and the Beach Boys

By Ohad Naharin Costume Design by Rakefet Levy Lighting Design by Avi Yona Bueno Sound Design and Editing by Ohad Fishof

This evening's performance of Three is in three sections and runs 70 minutes without intermission.

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"If you could hold one of Ohad Naharin's dances in your hand, it would feel smooth. Think of a polished stone. It looks like a piece of secret sculpture, but hurl it and it becomes a weapon." — Deborah Jowitt, *Village Voice* Please refer to page 17 in your program book for complete company biographies and staff credits.

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Program

Sunday Afternoon, February 15, 2009 at 4:00 Power Center • Ann Arbor

Deca Dance

Excerpts from works by Ohad Naharin*

B/olero (2008) Max (2007) Telophaza (2006) George & Zalman (2006) Three (2005) Zachacha (1998) Anaphaza (1993) Mabul (1992) *not listed in performance order

Original music composed and performed by Maxim Waratt Additional music by Maurice Ravel (performed by Isao Tomita); Kaho Naa...Pyar Hai; J.S Bach, *Goldberg Variations* (performed by Glenn Gould); Brian Eno; Seefeel; the Beach Boys; Habib Alla Jamal; Shama Khader; Ohad Naharin; Cha-Cha De Amor (sung by Dean Martin and Rolley Polley); Avi Belleli; and Dan Makov.

Costume Design for original works by Rakefet Levy Costume Design for B/olero by Alla Eisenberg Lighting Design for original works by Avi Yona Bueno and Ohad Naharin Sound Design for original works by Frankie Lievaart

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"Deca Dance is not a new work. It is more about reconstruction: I like to take pieces or sections of existing works and rework them, reorganize them, and create the possibility to look at them from a new angle. It always teaches me something new about my work and composition. In Deca Dance I took sections from different works. It was like I was telling only either the beginning, middle, or ending of many stories, but when I organized it, the result became as coherent as the original, if not more."—Ohad Naharin



Batsheva Dance Company's artistic integrity and innovation have earned the company its reputation as one of the most inspirational and sought-after companies—a true champion on the global map of performing arts.

Batsheva operates throughout the year with its two companies (Batsheva Dance Company and the junior Batsheva Ensemble) and 40 dancers. With 250 annual performances in Israel and around the world, the company is considered Israel's leading cultural ambassador. Batsheva is applauded worldwide in the most prestigious theaters and festivals including Lincoln Center, BAM's Next Wave Festival, Montpellier Danse, and the Berlin Festival.

The company includes dancers from Israel and abroad who are encouraged to affirm their distinct creative gifts either in the rehearsal process or in the creation of their own works during the ongoing Batsheva Dancers Create series. Many of Batsheva's dancers developed their skills during an extensive training period in the Batsheva Ensemble. The ensemble serves as a greenhouse for the next generation of dancers and choreographers, dedicating the majority of its time to Batsheva's comprehensive outreach and education program.

The 07/08 performance season brought with it an additional international cast of 16 dancers. This third Batsheva company performed Ohad Naharin's *Kamuyot* to audiences of school children and young adults throughout Sweden between December 2007 and May 2008. This special project was the result of a unique collaboration between the company and Sweden's National Riksteatern.

Led by Artistic Director Ohad Naharin, together with House Choreographer Sharon Eyal, the company's 65 members—dancers, technical crew, and administration—are driven by a common vision; to excel in art and to strengthen common human values through the power of creativity.

Batsheva Dance Company was founded in 1964 by Martha Graham and Baroness Batsheva De Rothschild. To learn more about Batsheva, please visit www.batsheva.org. **Ohad Naharin** (*Artistic Director and Choreographer*) began his training as a dancer with the Batsheva Dance Company. He came to New York one year later at the invitation of Martha Graham to join her company and to make use of a scholarship to the School of American Ballet. After a year with the Martha Graham Dance Company, he continued his studies at The Juilliard School of Music with Maggie Black and David Howard. He then joined the Maurice Bejart Company in Brussels for one season and made his choreographic debut in 1980 in the Kazuko Hirabayashi studio in New York.

From 1980–1990 Mr. Naharin performed and worked in New York where he lived with his wife, dancer Mari Kajiwara, who died of cancer in 2001. In 1990 he was appointed Artistic Director of the Batsheva Dance Company.

Mr. Naharin has been the recipient of many awards and honors including the Chevalier de l'Ordre des Arts et des Lettres by the French government in 1998, two New York Dance and Performance (Bessie) Awards (for Naharin's Virus at the Brooklyn Academy of Music in 2002 and for Anaphaza at the Lincoln Center Festival in 2003), a Doctor of Philosophy honoris causa by the Weizmann Institute of Science in 2004, and the prestigious Israel Prize for dance in 2005.

Mr. Naharin's works are performed by many companies throughout the world including Nederlands Dans Theater, Frankfurt Ballet, Lyon Opera Ballet, Ballet Nacional d'Espana in Madrid, Cullberg Ballet in Sweden, and the Opéra National de Paris.

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This weekend's performances mark the fourth and fifth performances of the Batsheva Dance Company under UMS auspices, following the company's UMS debut in November 1972. The company most recently appeared in Ann Arbor in March 1998.

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Saturday Evening, March 7, 2009 at 8:00 Hill Auditorium • Ann Arbor

Felix Mendelssohn

Overture to A Midsummer Night's Dream, Op. 21

Robert Schumann

Modest Mussorgsky, Arr. Maurice Ravel Symphony No. 4 in d minor, Op. 120

Fairly slow—Lively Romance: Fairly slow Scherzo: Lively Slow—Lively—Faster—Presto

All movements played attacca (without pause)

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Now that you're in your seat...

The 19th century heard many heated debates about the extent to which music could give voice to literary heroes, reproduce artistic motifs, or express philosophical ideas. In the meantime, composers produced both "program" music, generated by extra-musical inspirations, and "absolute" music, which only seemed to make reference to itself. Today, we delight in Mendelssohn's magical evocation of Shakespeare's fairy world, as we do in Mussorgsky's brilliant sketches that can truly make us see the pictures on which they were based. On the other hand, the "abstract" motivic contrasts and transformations of a Schumann symphony can be just as deeply satisfying without an external story of any kind. In fact, Schumann's compositional strategies are really not all that abstract: his symphony communicates emotions just as strongly as any program music does, even if those emotions may be hard to verbalize. Conversely, program music wouldn't be able to get its message across if it didn't make use of motivic procedures as sophisticated as the ones found in symphonies. Therefore it is impossible to draw a rigid line between "absolute" and "program" music. All three masterpieces heard tonight are highly expressive in their different ways, and all rely on compositional technique to achieve their goals, whether or not they are "about" something other than music.

Overture to A Midsummer Night's Dream, Op. 21 (1826)

Felix Mendelssohn Born February 3, 1809 in Hamburg, Germany Died November 4, 1847 in Leipzig

Snapshot of History... In 1826:

- James Fenimore Cooper publishes The Last of the Mohicans
- Beethoven completes his last string quartet
- Samuel Morey patents the internal combustion engine
- Schubert composes a song ("Serenade") on an excerpt from Shakespeare's Cymbeline, in German translation
- The last auto de fé is held in Spain

The Romantic generation felt Shakespeare to be one of its own. How could it not? The Bard's works were filled with all the things the Romantics held dear: passionate love, fairytales, times long ago, and places far away...it was at the beginning of the 19th century that Shakespeare's plays began to exert a profound influence on composers. Beethoven based the slow movement of his *String Quartet Op. 18, No. 1* on the tomb scene from *Romeo and Juliet*. Berlioz wrote a monumental dramatic symphony on the same subject, in addition to smaller works after *Hamlet* and *King Lear* and an opera after *Much Ado About Nothing*. Felix Mendelssohn started reading Shakespeare as a child during the 1820s. His family spent long hours reading through or acting out entire plays in the German translations by August Wilhelm Schlegel and Ludwig Tieck, two important Romantic literary figures. The Mendelssohn family had a strong personal connection to these translations: Felix's aunt Dorothea was married to A.W. Schlegel's brother Friedrich, one of the leading German philosophers of the time.

None of the plays captured the young Mendelssohn's imagination more than *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, or *Ein Sommernachtstraum*, in the version he first encountered. In a letter written in mid-summer of 1826, the 17-year-old composer told his sister Fanny: "I have grown accustomed to composing in our garden; there I've completed two piano pieces in A Major and e minor. Today or tomorrow I am going to dream there the *Midsummer Night's Dream*. It is, however, an enormous audacity..." The overture was completed less than a month later.

Mendelssohn moved in the world of Oberon and Titania, the fairy rulers of the enchanted woods near Shakespeare's Athens, with the grace and ease of an elf. The four opening chords of the overture, played by the woodwind and horns, made history with their delicate orchestration. In each chord, some new instruments are added, gradually expanding the range. The chords are all major with the exception of the third one, which is minor; a subtle interplay between the modes is thus introduced that will continue throughout the overture.

After this exceptional opening, we hear music that will forever be associated with Puck and the other elves and spirits in the forest. The fairy music is complemented by a more majestic, "earthly" melody, which turns out to be a quote from Carl Maria von Weber, whose own *Oberon*—not based on Shakespeare—was premièred the same year (1826) just two months before Weber's premature death at age 40.

A third theme invokes the "hee-haw" of Bottom, the artisan-actor who, by magic, suddenly grew a donkey's head and then proceeded to sweep fairy queen Titania off her beautiful feet. The three themes act out their own little comedy, evolving, interacting, and enchanting the listener. If we are to single out one detail, it must be the ending, where the "earthly" theme becomes absolutely celestial, played very softly and slowly by the violins as an exceptionally touching farewell gesture.

Symphony No. 4 in d minor, Op. 120

(1841, rev. 1851) Robert Schumann Born June 8, 1810 in Zwickau, Saxony (now in Germany) Died July 29, 1856 at Endenich, near Bonn

Snapshot of History... In 1841:

- Ralph Waldo Emerson publishes Self-Reliance
- Russian poet Mikhail Lermontov is killed in a duel
- Antonín Dvořák is born
- Britain occupies Hong Kong
- The city of Dallas is founded in the independent Republic of Texas

During the first decade of his artistic maturity, Schumann wrote almost exclusively for piano solo. In those years he produced many of his most celebrated works (including *Carnival* and the C-Major *Fantasy*), but his early attempt at a symphony had remained unfinished.

Then, during a trip to Vienna in 1838, Schumann discovered the manuscript of Schubert's Great *Symphony No. 9* in C Major and brought it back to Leipzig, where his friend Felix Mendelssohn premièred it with the Gewandhaus Orchestra the next year. Under the spell of Schubert's masterwork, Schumann wrote enthusiastically to his fiancée Clara Wieck: "I was supremely happy and had nothing left to wish for, except that you were my wife, and that I could write such symphonies myself."

Both wishes were to come true very soon and, indeed, there seems to be a connection between the two. It was largely at his wife's encouragement that Schumann tackled the symphonic genre and rose to its enormous challenges, producing, within the space of the single year 1841, *Symphony No. 1*, the *Overture, Scherzo, and Finale*, the first version of the *Symphony No. 4* in d minor, and the *Fantasy* for piano and orchestra in a minor.

After Beethoven, writing symphonies was never guite the same. In the words of German musicologist Carl Dahlhaus, "Beethoven had transformed the symphony into a monumental genre...[that] manifested compositional ambitions of the highest order, the audience it addressed being no smaller than the whole of humanity." If Beethoven had based entire movements on a single and very short motif (as in the first movement of his Fifth), Schumann wanted to extend that principle to a whole work and use the same motifs in all movements. He sought to increase the work's inner cohesion even more by leading one movement into the next without a break. Beethoven had occasionally linked movements in that way, as in the last three movements of his Symphony No. 6, or in his Sonata quasi una Fantasia for piano in E-flat Major (Op. 27, No. 1). In fact, Schumann first intended to call his work in the 1851 revision "Symphonic Fantasy," before settling on "Symphony No. 4." The composition, even so, is rather fantasy-like in merging the four movements into a single uninterrupted flow of music, as well as in the considerable liberties taken with traditional musical forms. (The idea of dispensing with breaks between movements, introduced into the symphony's score in 1851, may also have been inspired by the example of Mendelssohn's "Scottish" Symphony, which had been premièred in 1842.)

The first movement opens with a slow introduction whose melodic idea will be heard throughout the symphony. It is a majestic, solemn prelude characterized by the almost uninterrupted roll of the timpani, leading gradually into a passionate and animated fast section. The first movement has a regular exposition where the musical material is first presented, a fairly regular development section where it is transformed and broken up into small fragments, but there is no real recapitulation. Instead of repeating the beginning of the fast section in its original form, Schumann introduces new material (a march in dotted rhythm that will return in the finale) and further variations on the main theme. The variations then come to an unexpected halt, followed immediately by the second movement, called "Romanze."

The brief "Romanze" opens and ends with a beautiful melody played by solo oboe and cellos. In between, we hear two variations on the first movement's slow introduction, one of them with solo violin. The return of the oboe melody leads into the boisterous third-movement "Scherzo," marked by strong accents and a powerful rhythmic drive. In sharp contrast with the Scherzo proper, we hear a soft and gentle Trio.

Traditionally, movements of this type end with the repeat of the Scherzo section after the Trio. Beethoven in some cases repeated a Trio a second time but still closed with the Scherzo (S-T-S-T-S. as in Symphony No. 7). Schumann, on the other hand, here uses S-T-S-T, and the third statement of the Scherzo is replaced by what is arguably the high point of the symphony: a quite unexpected slow section, based on previously heard material but entirely new in character. The tremolos of the strings and timpani create unusual excitement (not unlike the parallel passage in Beethoven's Symphony No. 5), resolved by the first measures of the finale, which take up the march theme from the first movement. The music remains joyful and vigorous to the end, but there is another peculiarity in the form. Rhythmic fragments of the march tune are used throughout the movement, but the theme itself, once heard, never comes back again. Instead, a brand-new theme appears just before the end: a sweeping melody ushering in a gradual acceleration of the tempo and an exuberant presto conclusion.

Pictures at an Exhibition (1874) Modest Mussorasky

Born March 21, 1839 in Karevo, in the Pskov district of Russia Died March 28, 1881 in St. Petersburg

Orchestrated in 1922 by Maurice Ravel Born March 7, 1875 in Ciboure, Basses-Pyrénées, France Died December 28, 1937 in Paris

Snapshot of History... In 1874:

- Thomas Hardy publishes Far from the Madding Crowd
- · Verdi's Requiem is first performed in Milan
- Johann Strauss Jr.'s operetta Die Fledermaus is first performed in Vienna
- The first independent exhibition of the Impressionist painters is held in Paris
- New York's Madison Square Garden opens (under the name of Barnum's Hippodrome)

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"What a terrible blow!" Mussorgsky exclaimed in a letter to the critic Vladimir Stasov in 1874, and he proceeded to paraphrase a famous passage from Shakespeare's King Lear: "Why should a dog, a horse, a rat, live on, when creatures like Hartman must die?" Victor Hartman, a gifted architect and painter and a close friend of Mussorgsky's, had recently died at the age of 39. A commemorative exhibit of his painting inspired Mussorgsky to pay a musical tribute to his friend by writing a piano suite based on his impressions of the paintings. The suite was not performed or published during the composer's lifetime, however, and it did not become universally known until Maurice Ravel orchestrated it in 1922.

Mussorgsky chose 10 of Hartman's pictures for musical illustration. The pictures are separated—at least in the first half of the work—by a melody called "Promenade" that portrays the visitor at the gallery strolling from picture to picture. It is fascinating to listen to the changes that the melody undergoes from one recurrence to the next: the impression left by the last picture seems to linger on as the

visitor proceeds to the next painting.

The first picture, "Gnomus," represents a toy nutcracker in the shape of a dwarf. The strange and unpredictable movements of this creature are depicted quite vividly. We hear the "Promenade" again, and are then ushered into "The Old Castle," where a troubadour (a medieval courtly singer) sings a wistful song. In Ravel's orchestration, this haunting melody is played by the alto saxophone.

The next picture—preceded again by the "Promenade"—is titled "Tuileries: Dispute between Children at Play." It is followed immediately—with no "Promenade" this time—by "Bydlo," the Polish oxcart, slowly approaching and then going away as its ponderous melody gets first louder and then softer.

A much shortened "Promenade," more lyrical in tone than before, leads the "Ballet of the Unhatched Chicks," based on the designs Hartman had made for the ballet *Trilbi* at the Maryinsky Theatre in St. Petersburg. In the ballet, which had music by Julius Gerber and choreography by the famous Marius Petipa, a group of children appeared dressed up as canaries; others, according to a contemporary description, were "enclosed in eggs as in suits of armor," with only their legs sticking out of the eggshells.

The next picture is titled, in the original, "'Samuel' Goldenberg und 'Schmuvle'." Hartman had painted a number of characters from the Jewish ghetto in Sandomierz, Poland, including a rich man in a fur hat and a poor one sitting with his head bent. Although Mussorgsky left no explanation of the movement, it has traditionally been understood as an argument between two Jews, one rich, the other poor. The rich Jew is represented by a slow-moving unison melody stressing the augmented second, considered an "Oriental" interval and indeed frequent in certain forms of Jewish chant and folk music with which Mussorgsky was familiar. The poor man is characterized by a plaintive theme whose repeated notes seem to be choking with emotion. Then, the two themes are heard simultaneously. In Ravel's orchestration, Goldenberg has the entire string section at his command, while Schmuyle tries to defend himself, desperately, to the sound of a single muted trumpet.

"Limoges, the Market: The Big News" portrays the hustle and bustle of an open market in France where people are busy gossiping and quarrelling.

What a contrast to go from here immediately to the "Catacombs." Hartman's watercolor shows the artist, a friend, and their guide, who is holding a lantern, examining the underground burial chambers in Paris. On the right, one can see a large pile of skulls which, in Mussorgsky's imagination, suddenly begin to glow. The "Promenade" theme appears completely transfigured, as the inscription in the score says, *Cum mortuis in lingua mortua* (With the dead in a dead language).

The next section, "The Hut on Fowl's Legs: Baba Yaga" evokes the witch of Russian folktales who lives in just such an edifice. Hartman had designed a clock in the form of the famous hut; its design survives only as a sketch. Mussorgsky's movement, whose rhythm has something of the ticking of a giant clock, has a mysterioussounding middle section, after which the wilder and louder first material returns.

The "witch music" continues directly into the grand finale, "The Great Gate of Kiev," inspired by an ambitious design that was submitted for a competition but never built. For the immense architectural structure, Mussorgsky provided a grandiose melody resembling a church hymn and presented in rich harmonies. This theme alternates with a more subdued second melody, harmonized like a chorale. Near the end, the movement incorporates the "Promenade" theme; it leads directly into the magnificent final climax that, in many ways, symbolizes the grandeur of old Russia.

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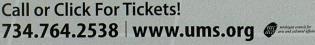
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Roman Carnival Overture, Op. 9

Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky

Suite No. 3 in G Major, Op. 55 Élégie (Andante molto cantabile) Valse mélancolique (Allegro moderato) Scherzo (Molto vivace) Tema con variazioni (Andante con moto)

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What would music be without dance rhythms? Some of the earliest purely instrumental works were dances, and even the most serious symphonic forms cannot seem to exist without at least one dance movement. The *saltarello* is responsible for creating a "period" feel in Berlioz's Romantic opera about a 16th-century artist; the waltz, the polonaise, and various Russian folk dances were second nature to Tchaikovsky. And modern music may be said to have been born out of the spirit of the dance in Stravinsky's epoch-making *Le Sacre du printemps*.

Roman Carnival Overture, Op. 9 (1844)

Hector Berlioz Born December 11, 1803 in La Côte-Saint-André, Isère, France Died March 8, 1869 in Paris

Snapshot of History... In 1844:

- Alexandre Dumas writes The Three Musketeers
- Verdi's Ernani premièred in Venice
- Tchaikovsky is four years old
- Joseph Smith, the founder of the Mormon Church, is murdered in Illinois
- In France, Gustave Courbet paints a famous portrait of his younger sister, Juliette
- Karl Marx and Friedrich Engels meet in Paris Today, March 8, 2009:
- The 140th anniversary of Hector Berlioz's death

Berlioz's opera *Benvenuto Cellini*, based on the famous autobiography of the Italian Renaissance artist, was a total failure at the première, owing to the incomprehension and hostility of the Paris Opera House, and the conductor Habeneck in particular. After four disastrous performances, Berlioz addressed the following letter to the director of the Opera:

Sir, I have the honor to inform you that *I* withdraw my opera Benvenuto Cellini. I am perfectly convinced that you will receive this news with pleasure.

I have the honor to be, Sir, your devoted servant, H. Berlioz.

To prove that the opera's fiasco had nothing to do with the quality of his music, Berlioz used some of the material from *Benvenuto* in a new overture that, conducted by Berlioz himself, had to be encored at the first performance. In his *Memoirs*, Berlioz later recounted how Habeneck had ruined the *saltarello* dance in the opera by conducting it at half the correct tempo. After the success of the same music in the *Roman Carnival Overture*, Berlioz said to Habeneck: "This is how it *ought* to go!" to which, Berlioz noted, "he took care to make no reply."

Roman Carnival quickly became a favorite with audiences both in France and abroad. Berlioz called the work an ouverture caractéristique, a term that stood for instrumental music with a definite dramatic meaning. Berlioz used two contrasting ideas from the opera. First comes the love duet between Cellini and Teresa-a melody first played by the English horn and then by the violas. The fast section is based on the opera's carnival chorus. The love duet is preceded by a fast introduction which, after only a few bars, is suddenly interrupted by a general rest. Both themes are then developed in succession; there are numerous surprising changes of key and unexpected pianissimos where the orchestral texture suddenly thins out, only to resume its brilliance a few moments later. The overture concludes with the above-mentioned fast dance, growing ever more exuberant to the end.

Suite No. 3 in G Major, Op. 55 (1884)

Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky Born May 7, 1840 in Kamsko-Votkinsk, Russia Died November 6, 1893 in St. Petersburg

Tchaikovsky's four orchestral suites (the last being the popular *Mozartiana*) are lighter cousins of the symphonies. While they don't grapple with fate as those weightier works do, they are substantial orchestral pieces, and the composer took them quite seriously indeed, as his correspondence attests.

Unlike the symphonies, the suites lack complex sonata allegros; they open instead with one of several "character movements," each of which Snapshot of History... In 1884:

- Nietzsche writes Thus Spoke Zarathustra
- Robert Louis Stevenson writes
 The Treasure Island
- Stravinsky is two years old
- The Metropolitan Opera opens in New York
- Catastrophic eruption of the volcano Krakatoa in Indonesia
- Brahms writes his Symphony No. 3

depicts a certain musical mood. *Suite No. 3*—a rather hefty, 40-minute work—begins with a lyrical "Elegy," which starts out gentle and becomes increasingly passionate as it proceeds. The return of the opening melody towards the end of the movement is fashioned into a powerful *fortissimo* statement; the last word, following a haunting English horn solo, is once again calm and peaceful.

The second movement is a "Valse mélancolique"—one of those delicious Romantic works that combine the irresistible rhythm of the waltz with a sad and brooding disposition. It is followed by a lively and colorfully orchestrated "Scherzo."

This is, however, an end-heavy work: the first three movements seem little more than introductions to the grandiose theme-and-variations crowning the suite. The theme, reminiscent of a folk dance, is introduced by the violins; in the course of the 12 variations that follow, all the instruments in the orchestra are featured in turn as Tchaikovsky adds one ingenious twist after another to the basic melody. Variation five is a fugue, variation seven a chorale, variation eight a pastoral solo for English horn. At the end of the lively variation nine, a virtuosic violin cadenza appears, seemingly out of the blue. The solo violin remains in the limelight throughout the following variation, after which a relatively quiet section prepares the way for the concluding extravaganza-a polonaise of majestic proportions, preceded by a solemn introduction in which the fateful trumpet fanfares from Symphony No. 4 reappear thoroughly tamed, inviting everyone to join in the dance.

Le Sacre du printemps (The Rite of Spring)

(1913) Igor Stravinsky Born June 17, 1882 in Oranienbaum, near St. Petersburg, now Lomosov, Russia Died April 6, 1971 in New York City

Snapshot of History...

In 1913:

- New York's Grand Central Terminal opens to the public
- Albert Schweitzer founds his hospital in Lambarene, French Equatorial Africa (Gabon)
- Swann's Way by Marcel Proust is published
- Rabindranath Tagore wins the Nobel Prize for literature
- Cecil B. DeMille's The Squaw Man is the first film made in Hollywood
- The first crossword puzzle and the first zipper appear

It all began like just another show for Serge Diaghilev's Paris-based company, the Ballets Russes. Diaghilev's magic formula, the combination of virtuoso dancing with the exotic appeal of faraway Russia had worked wonders with French audiences before; in addition, two of his previous productions, *The Firebird* and *Petrushka*, had revealed to the world the company's young star composer, Igor Stravinsky. But this time—maybe somewhat unexpectedly even for those involved—a few important lines were crossed, and music in the Western world was never the same again.

Russian writers and artists at the beginning of the 20th century were endlessly fascinated by the Russia of pre-Christian times. Medieval literature and contemporary peasant folklore were mined for clues about paganism, and several artists, including the poet Sergei Gorodetsky and the painter Nikolai Roerich, became noted experts on the subject.

Thus, paganism was "in," and the possibility that the ancient Russians may have engaged in human sacrifice captured the imaginations of many at the time. (Incidentally, this hypothesis was never proven, but the burning of straw effigies, documented in modern folklore, was seen as a vestige of sacrificial practices.) Therefore, the dream that Stravinsky told about in his autobiography was a very timely one indeed:

One day, when I was finishing the last pages of *The Firebird* in St. Petersburg, I had a fleeting vision which came to me as a complete surprise, my mind at the moment being full of other things. I saw in imagination a solemn pagan rite: sage elders, seated in a circle, watched a young girl dance herself to death. They were sacrificing her to propitiate the god of spring.

As Richard Taruskin has shown in his monumental two-volume biography of Stravinsky, the composer provided the germinal idea for at least the last scene of the ballet, and Roerich, with his vast knowledge of ethnological and archeological writings, helped create an authentic scenario. It was to be a ballet "devoid of plot in the conventional sense, one that would not narrate its action but depict it pure, not represent it but present it....[It] would not tell a story of a pagan ritual; it would *be* that ritual." Stravinsky and Roerich seem to have decided together that the "Great Sacrifice" should be preceded by a celebration of the Earth, with traditional ritual games re-enacted onstage and culminating in a wild stomping dance.

In its final form, the scenario incorporates a number of allusions to ancient Russian folk rituals, and accordingly, the music relies heavily on ancient Russian folk songs taken from published collections. This is important to emphasize because in later years, anxious to project a "cosmopolitan" image, Stravinsky went to great lengths to deny the presence of any original folk material in *The Rite of Spring*.

The following summary of the action, apparently written by the composer himself, was published in the program for the Moscow concert première in 1914:

Scenes of pagan Russia, united inwardly by the mystery of the great upsurge of all the creative powers of Spring...

Part I: The Kiss of the Earth. The celebrants of Spring are seated on hills. They blow dudki (reed pipes). Youths learn the art of divination from an old woman who knows all the secrets of Nature. Young maidens, costumed and with painted faces, come from the river in single file. They dance the Spring Dance. This is followed by the Game of Abduction and the Spring Rounds, for which the youths divide into different tribes that attack each other. An opening is cleared for the Eldest and Wisest, who enters at the head of a religious procession.

The games stop and the people wait, trembling, for the blessing of the earth. The Eldest makes a sign to kiss the earth and everyone dances, stomping the earth.

Part II: The Great Sacrifice. Night. The maidens perform secret games and group themselves in circles. One of the maidens is chosen for the Sacrifice. Fate points to her twice: twice she is caught in one of the circles without an exit. The maidens dance a martial dance honoring the Chosen One. The Invocation of the Ancestors. The maidens bring the Chosen One to the Elders, and the Sacrificial Dance begins before the Eldest and Wisest.

Part I begins with a bassoon solo written in the instrument's highest register that, with its unusual tone color, immediately creates a mysterious atmosphere. The melody itself is derived from a Lithuanian folksong, but Stravinsky had totally changed the character of the original. He was obviously less interested in literal fidelity to the source than in a creative transformation of his originals into something far more profound and powerful.

The bassoon melody is answered by other woodwind instruments playing short and poignant themes. After a *fortissimo* climax, the bassoon solo returns, interrupted this time by some violin *pizzicatos* (plucked notes) that lead into the next section, "Auguries of Sping (Dances of the Young Girls)." This movement is based on a rhythmic *ostinato* (constantly recurring rhythmic pattern) consisting of equal eighth-notes in the violins; within the groups of four eighth-notes, however, the emphasis is constantly shifting. The result is a highly irregular and totally unpredictable rhythm, over which the winds introduce their mostly symmetrical, folksong-like melodies.

The next section, "Game of Abduction," has a pentatonic theme (playable on the piano's black keys). The notes are all of equal length but their grouping is again irregular. "Spring Rounds" starts with another pentatonic melody played by the clarinets, followed by a slow, march-like section in which a string ostinato is set against a highly expressive melody played by four solo violas (we heard it earlier on the trumpets, but note how orchestration and tempo change a melody's character!). Piccolo and E-flat clarinet add their piercing and doleful counterpoint. The melody is repeated *fortissimo* by the entire orchestra, only to be interrupted by a high-pitched flute signal that announces a new tempo and an intensification of the dance. The slow clarinet melody that started the movement returns at the end.

"Games of the Rival Clans" is based on a melody that is played alternately by different groups of instruments (such as violins as opposed to horns, for example). In the midst of these relatively quickpaced melodies, a slow and ponderous theme makes its unexpected appearance in the tenor and bass tubas. It is the theme of the Eldest and Wisest. who in the next section ("Procession of the Wise Elder") takes center stage as the entire orchestra adds various ornamental figures to the solemn and austere brass melody. After four mysterious and suspenseful measures ("Adoration of the Earth-The Wise Elder"), the "Dance of the Earth" begins. Over a relentless ostinato in the bass, the rest of the orchestra strikes repeated chords in irregular groupings, gradually raising the volume to a guite literally "earth-shattering" climax, at which point the music abruptly stops.

Part II ("The Sacrifice"), like Part I, begins with a slow introduction. Against a tapestry of lush woodwind sonorities, a tenderly lyrical pentatonic theme emerges that bears a certain resemblance to the great Russian melodies of The Firebird and Petrushka. This is also the main melody of the next section, "Mystical Circles of the Young Girls," which starts with six solo violas. A new theme soon appears in the alto flute, repeated, in a quite unusual manner, in parallel sevenths. It is during this mystical slow movement that one of the girls is chosen for the sacrifice. Her selection is announced by 11 drumbeats, immediately followed by her glorification in a quick movement of great rhythmic complexity. In the "Evocation of the Ancestors." the entire wind section repeats two chords in the same rhythm, in a somewhat chorale-like fashion: the ancestors make their entrance with an eeriesounding duo of the English horn and the alto flute to the soft rhythmic accompaniment of the strings and percussion. Musically and dramatically, this is the preparation for the grand finale, the "Sacrificial Dance," whose wild accents surpass in boldness everything heard before. The irresistible energy of this movement never lets up until the quite unexpected ending.

The Paris première of the *Rite of Spring*, on May 29, 1913, went down in history as one of the greatest scandals ever to have erupted over

a new piece of music. The performance was nearly drowned out by shouted insults, catcalls, slaps in the face, and a general pandemonium. (A detailed description of this remarkable evening may be found in Thomas F. Kelly's excellent book First Nights.) It is unclear how much of the uproar was due to the music, and how much to Nijinsky's choreography. How many people in the audience reacted to the musical and artistic revolution manifest in the work? And how many were simply being manipulated and swept away in the universal brouhaha? We will never know. Yet in this ballet the sounds of a brute force attacked the calm, apparently untroubled prosperity of the Parisian belle époque like an army of barbarians. A year later, that belle époque was shattered forever by the cannons of World War I.

After the end of the war, The Rite of Spring quickly became established in the West as a modern classic-a work whose time had indeed come. (In fact, its triumph had begun before the outbreak of the war, in April 1914, with the Paris concert première led by Pierre Monteux, who had also conducted the work at the ballet.) No composer could avoid the challenge of coming to terms with The Rite of Spring, one way or another, ever since. Yet Russia for a long time failed to appreciate this profoundly Russian work. Indeed, the work's vehement rejection by Russian critics precipitated the final break between Stravinsky and his native country. While Stravinsky became, in Taruskin's words, "the uncrowned king of French music," "as a 'Russian composer,' [he] was finished."

Program notes by Peter Laki.

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Lorin Maazel began his tenure as Music Director in September 2002, the latest in a distinguished line of 20th-century musical giants that has included Kurt Masur (Music Director from 1991 to the summer of 2002, named Music Director Emeritus in 2002); Zubin Mehta (1978–91); Pierre Boulez (1971–77); and Leonard Bernstein, who was appointed Music Director in 1958 and given the lifetime title of Laureate Conductor in 1969. In September 2009, Alan Gilbert will become the Orchestra's next Music Director.

Since its inception the Orchestra has championed the new music of its time, commissioning or premièring many important works, such as Dvořák's Symphony No. 9, Rachmaninoff's Piano Concerto No. 3, Gershwin's Concerto in F, and Copland's Connotations, in addition to the US premières of works such as Beethoven's Symphonies Nos. 8 and 9 and Brahms's Symphony No. 4. This pioneering tradition has continued to the present day, with works of major contemporary composers regularly scheduled each season, including John Adams's Pulitzer- and Grammy Award-winning On the Transmigration of Souls: Stephen Hartke's Symphony No. 3; Augusta Read Thomas's Gathering Paradise: Emily Dickinson Settings for soprano and orchestra; and Esa-Pekka Salonen's Piano Concerto.

The roster of composers and conductors who have led the Philharmonic includes such historic figures as Theodore Thomas, Antonín Dvořák,

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This weekend's performances mark Lorin Maazel's eighth and ninth UMS appearances. Maestro Maazel made his UMS debut at Hill Auditorium in March 1953 directing the Gershwin Concert Orchestra and soloists on an all-Gershwin program. Gustav Mahler (Music Director, 1909–11), Otto Klemperer, Richard Strauss, Willem Mengelberg (Music Director, 1922–30), Wilhelm Furtwängler, Arturo Toscanini (Music Director, 1928–36), Igor Stravinsky, Aaron Copland, Bruno Walter (Music Advisor, 1947–49), Dimitri Mitropoulos (Music Director, 1949–58), Klaus Tennstedt, George Szell (Music Advisor, 1969–70), and Erich Leinsdorf.

Long a leader in American musical life, the Philharmonic has over the last century become renowned around the globe, appearing in 422 cities in 59 countries on five continents. In February 2008 the Orchestra, led by Music Director Lorin Maazel, gave a historic performance in Pyongyang. Democratic People's Republic of Korea-the first visit there by an American orchestra and an event that was watched around the world and for which the Philharmonic received the 2008 Common Ground Award for Cultural Diplomacy. Other historic tours have included the 1930 Tour to Europe, the first European tour with Toscanini: the first South American Tour in 1951; the first Tour to the USSR in 1959; the 1984 Asia Tour, including the first Tour of India; the 1998 Asia Tour, the first performances in mainland China: and the 75th Anniversary European Tour, in 2005, with Lorin Maazel.

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Maestro Maazel has taken the Orchestra on numerous international tours, including the historic visit to Pyongyang, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, in February 2008—the first performance there by an American orchestra. Other recent tours have included Europe 2008 in August–September; Asia 2008—to Taipei, Kaohsiung, Hong Kong, Shanghai, and Beijing in February; the May 2007 Tour of Europe; the November 2006 visit to Japan and Korea; the Philharmonic Tour of Italy in June 2006, sponsored by Generali; the two-part 75th Anniversary European Tour to 13 cities in five countries in Fall 2005; and residencies in Cagliari, Sardinia, and the Bravo! Vail Valley Music Festival in Colorado. In addition to the New York Philharmonic, Maestro Maazel is Music Director of the Palau de les Arts Reina Sofia in Valencia, Spain. A frequent conductor on the world's operatic stages, he returned to The Metropolitan Opera in January 2008 for the first time in 45 years to conduct Wagner's *Die Walküre*.

Prior to his tenure as New York Philharmonic Music Director, Maestro Maazel led more than 100 performances of the Orchestra as a guest conductor. He served as Music Director of the Bavarian Radio Symphony Orchestra (1993–2002), and has held positions as Music Director of the Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra (1988–96); General Manager and Chief Conductor of the Vienna Staatsoper (1982–84); Music Director of The Cleveland Orchestra (1972–82); and Artistic Director and Chief Conductor of the Deutsche Oper Berlin (1965–71). He is an Honorary Member of the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra, and an Honorary Member of the Vienna Philharmonic.

A second-generation American born in Paris, Maestro Maazel was raised and educated in the US. He took his first violin lesson at age five and conducting lesson at seven. Between ages nine and 15 he conducted most of the major American orchestras. In 1953 he made his European conducting debut in Catania, Italy.

Maestro Maazel is also an accomplished composer. His opera, 1984, received its world première on May 3, 2005 at London's Royal Opera House, Covent Garden. It was revived in the 2007/08 season at the Teatro alla Scala in Milan, and the DVD has been released by Decca.





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UMS's Education Program deepens the relationship between audiences and art, while efforts in Audience Development raise awareness of the positive impact the performing arts and education can have on the quality of life in our community. The program creates and presents the highest guality arts education and community engagement experiences to a broad spectrum of community constituencies, proceeding in the spirit of partnership and collaboration. Details about all educational and residency events are posted online at www.ums.org approximately one month before the performance date. Join the UMS Email Club to have updated event information sent directly to you. For immediate event info, please email umsed@umich.edu, or call the numbers listed below.

ADULT & COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Please call 734.647.6712 or email umsed@umich.edu for more information.

The UMS Adult and Community Engagement Program serves many different audiences through a variety of educational events. With over 100 unique regional, local, and universitybased partnerships, UMS has launched initiatives for the area's Arab American, African,

Mexican/Latino, Asian/Chinese, and African American audiences. UMS has earned national acclaim for its work with diverse cultural groups, thanks to its proactive stance on partnering with and responding to individual communities. Though based in Ann Arbor, UMS Audience Development programs reach the entire southeastern Michigan region.

Public Programs

UMS hosts a wide variety of educational and community events to both inform the public about arts and culture and provide forums for discussion and celebration of the performing arts. These events include:

- PREPs Pre-performance lectures
- Meet the Artists Post-performance Q&A with the artists
- Artist Interviews Public dialogues with performing artists
- Master Classes Interactive workshops
- · Panels/Round Tables In-depth adult education related to a specific artist or art form
- Artist-in-Residence Artists teach, create, and meet with community groups, university units, and schools
- Book Clubs Discussions on UMS-related literature
- Community Receptions Opportunities for audiences to network and socialize with each other and with artists

UMS is grateful to the University of Michigan for its support through the U-M/UMS Partnership Program of many educational activities scheduled in the 08/09 season. These activities



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The NETWORK: UMS African American Arts Advocacy Committee Celebrate. Socialize. Connect. 734.615.0122 | www.ums.org/network

The NETWORK was launched during the 04/05 season to create an opportunity for African-Americans and the broader community to celebrate the world-class artistry of today's leading African and African-American performers and creative artists. NETWORK members connect, socialize, and unite with the African-American community through attendance at UMS events and free pre- or post-concert receptions. NET-WORK members receive ticket discounts for selected UMS events; membership is free.

WINTER 2009 NETWORK PERFORMANCES

- Rubberbandance Group
- Lawrence Brownlee / Martin Katz
- Sweet Honey In The Rock
- Jazz at Lincoln Center Orchestra with Wynton Marsalis

UMS YOUTH, TEEN, AND FAMILY EDUCATION

Please call 734.615.0122 or email umsyouth@umich.edu for more information.

UMS has one of the largest K–12 education initiatives in the state of Michigan. Designated as a "Best Practice" program by ArtServe Michigan and the Dana Foundation, UMS is dedicated to making world-class performance opportunities and professional development activities available to K–12 students and educators.

UMS Youth 08/09 Youth Performance Series

These daytime performances give pre-K through high school students the opportunity to see the same internationally renowned performances as the general public. The Winter 2009 season features special youth presentations of Rubberbandance Group, Sweet Honey In The Rock, Jazz at Lincoln Center Orchestra, Aswat: Celebrating the Golden Age of Arab Music, and Dan Zanes & Friends. Tickets range from \$3–6 depending on the performance; each school receives free curriculum materials.

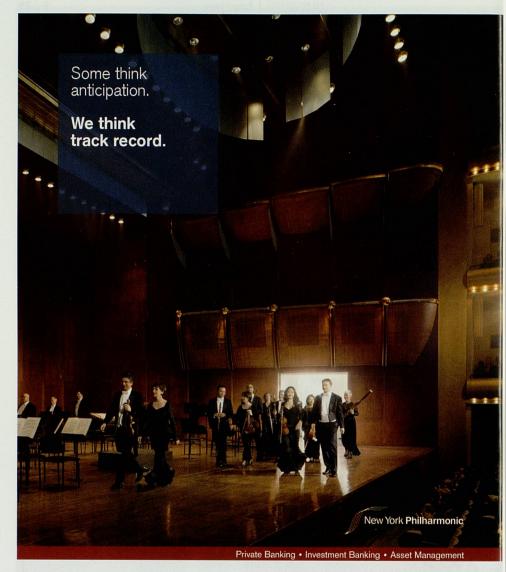
Teacher Workshop Series

UMS is part of the Kennedy Center Partners in Education Program, offering educators meaningful professional development opportunities. Workshops, cultural immersions, and book clubs bring the best in local and national arts education to our community, through presentations by Kennedy Center teaching artists, UMS performing artists, and local arts and culture experts. This series focuses on arts integration, giving teachers techniques for incorporating the arts into everyday classroom instruction.

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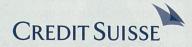
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K-12 Arts Curriculum Materials

UMS creates teacher curriculum packets, CDs. and DVDs for all of the schools participating in UMS's Youth Education Program, Further, the UMS curricular materials are available online at no charge to the general public. All materials are designed to connect to the curricular standards via the Michigan Grade Level Content Expectations.

Teacher Appreciation Month!

March 2009 has been designated UMS Teacher Appreciation Month. All teachers will be able to purchase tickets for 50% off at the venue on the night of the performance (subject to availability). Limit of two tickets per teacher, per event. Teachers must present their official school ID when purchasing tickets. Check out www.ums.org for March events!

School Fundraisers/Group Sales

Raise money for your school and support the arts. UMS offers a wide range of fundraising opportunities and discount programs for schools. It is one of the easiest and most rewarding ways to raise money. For information contact UMS Group Sales at umsgroupsales@umich.edu or 734.763.3100.

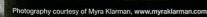
Teacher Advisory Committee

This group of regional educators, school administrators, and K-12 arts education advocates advises and assists UMS in determining K-12 programming, policy, and professional development. If you would like to participate, please contact umsyouth@umich.edu.

UMS is in partnership with the Ann Arbor Public Schools and the Washtenaw Intermediate School District as part of the Kennedy Center: Partners in Education Program. UMS also participates in the Ann Arbor Public Schools' "Partners in Excellence" program.



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Breakin' Curfew

In a special collaboration with the Neutral Zone, Ann Arbor's teen center, UMS presents this yearly performance highlighting the area's best teen performers. This show is curated. designed, marketed, and produced by teens under the mentorship of UMS staff. This year's Breakin' Curfew takes place on Friday, May 8, 2009.

UMS Family

The Winter 2009 season features family performances of Rubberbandance Group and Dan Zanes & Friends, Family-friendly performances also include the Silk Road Ensemble and Kodo. Please visit www.ums.org for a complete list of family-friendly performances.

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Classical Kids Club

Parents can introduce their children to worldrenowned classical music artists through the Classical Kids Club. Designed to nurture and create the next generation of musicians and music lovers, the Classical Kids Club allows students in grades 1–8 to purchase tickets to all classical music concerts at a significantly discounted rate. Parents can purchase up to two children's tickets for \$10 each with the purchase of a \$20 adult ticket beginning two weeks before the concert. Seating is subject to availability. UMS reserves a limited number of Classical Kids Club tickets to each eligible performance—even those that sell out! For information, call 734.764.2538 or visit www.ums.org and sign up for UMS E-News and check the box for Classical Kids Club.

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Half-Price Student Ticket Sales

At the beginning of each semester, UMS offers half-price tickets to college students. A limited number of tickets are available for each event in select seating areas. Simply visit www.ums.org/students, log in using your U-M unique name and Kerberos password, and fill out your form. Orders will be processed in the order they are received. You will pay for and pick up your tickets at a later date at the Michigan League Ticket Office.

Winter Semester: Begins Sunday, January 11, 2009 at 8 pm and ends Tuesday, January 13 at 5 pm.

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Rush Tickets

Sometimes it pays to procrastinate! UMS Rush Tickets are sold to college students for \$10 the day of the performance (or on the Friday before weekend events) and \$15 beginning 90 minutes before the event. Rush Ticket availability and seating are subject to Ticket Office discretion. Tickets must be purchased in person at the Michigan League Ticket Office or at the performance venue ticket office. Just bring your valid college ID. Limit two tickets per student.

UMS Student Card

Worried about finding yourself strapped for cash in the middle of the semester? The UMS Student Card is a pre-paid system for Rush Tickets. The Card is valid for any event for

which Rush Tickets are available, and can be used up to two weeks prior to the performance. The UMS Student Card is available for \$50 for five performances or \$100 for 10 performances. Please visit www.ums.org/students to order online.

Arts & Eats

Arts & Eats combines two things you can't live without-great music and free pizza-all in one night. For just \$15, you get great seats to a UMS event (at least a 50% savings) and a free pizza dinner before the concert, along with a brief talk by someone knowledgeable about the performance. Tickets go on sale approximately two weeks before the concert.

Winter 2009 Arts & Eats Events:

- Rubberbandance Group, Sun. 1/11
- Sweet Honey In The Rock, Thurs. 2/12
- Silk Road Ensemble with Yo-Yo Ma, Fri. 3/13
- St. Louis Symphony Orchestra, Thurs. 4/2

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Internships and College Work-Study

Internships with UMS provide experience in performing arts administration, marketing, ticket sales, programming, production, and arts education. Semester- and year-long unpaid internships are available in many of UMS's departments. For more information, please call 734.615.1444.

Students working for UMS as part of the College Work-Study program gain valuable experience in all facets of arts management including concert promotion and marketing, ticket sales, fundraising, arts education, arts programming, and production. If you are a University of Michigan student who receives work-study financial aid and are interested in working at UMS, please call 734.615.1444.

UMS 08/09

Student Advisory Committee

As an independent council drawing on the diverse membership of the University of Michigan community, the UMS Student Advisory Committee works to increase student interest and involvement in the various programs offered by UMS by fostering increased communication between UMS and the student community, promoting awareness and accessibility of student programs, and promoting the student value of live performance. For more information or to participate on the Committee, please call 734.615.6590.



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Saturday, February 14, 5:30 pm **Batsheva Dance Company** Speaker: **A Company representative**

Saturday, March 7, 5:30 pm New York Philharmonic Speaker: Zarin Mehta

Saturday, March 14, 5:30 pm The Silk Road Ensemble / Yo-Yo Ma Speaker: Joseph Gramley

Thursday, April 2, 5:30 pm **St. Louis Symphony** Speaker: **David Robertson**

Saturday, April 4, 5:30 pm Chick Corea/John McLaughlin Speaker: Linda Yohn

Friday, April 24, 5:30 pm Julia Fischer / Milana Chernyavska Speaker: Jim Toy



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here are many ways to support the efforts of UMS, all of which are critical to the success of our season. We would like to welcome you to the UMS family and involve you more closely in our exciting programming and activities. This can happen through corporate sponsorships, business advertising, individual donations, or through volunteering. Your financial investment and/or gift of time to UMS allows us to continue connecting artists and audiences, now and into the future.

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UMS Advisory Committee

The UMS Advisory Committee is an organization of 70 volunteers who contribute approximately 7,000 hours of service to UMS each year. The purpose of the UMS Advisory Committee is to raise community awareness and funds for UMS's nationally acclaimed arts education program. Members contribute their time and talents in a wide variety of ways consistent with their interests.

Fundraising projects include the Ford Honors Program Gala, On the Road Auction, and Delicious Experiences. Advisory Ambassadors and Youth Performance Ushering are two projects that involve direct contact with local schoolchildren, teachers, and community groups.

All Advisory Committee members serve as UMS advocates to the greater community by encouraging attendance at UMS performances and participation in UMS and Advisory Committee programs and events.

Two upcoming events include:

Ford Honors Program and Gala January 24, 2009

This year's program will honor the Royal Shakespeare Company, RSC Artistic Director Michael Boyd, and U-M Professor Ralph Williams with UMS Distinguished Artists awards. Following the program and award presentations, the UMS Advisory Committee will host a Gala reception and dinner to benefit UMS Education Programs.

On the Road Auction

For each of the last three years, approximately 300 people have enjoyed an evening of food, music, and silent and live auctions, netting more than \$70,000 each year to support UMS Education Programs. On the Road 2009 will be held on September 11, 2009.

Please call 734.764.8489 for more information.

UMS Ushers

Without the dedicated service of UMS's Usher Corps. our events would not run as smoothly as they do. Ushers serve the essential functions of assisting patrons with seating, distributing program books, and providing that personal touch which sets UMS events apart from others.

The UMS Usher Corps is comprised of over 500 individuals who volunteer their time to make your concert-going experience more pleasant and efficient. Orientation and training sessions are held each fall and winter, and are open to anyone 18 years of age or older. Ushers may commit to work all UMS performances in a specific venue or sign up to substitute for various performances throughout the concert season.

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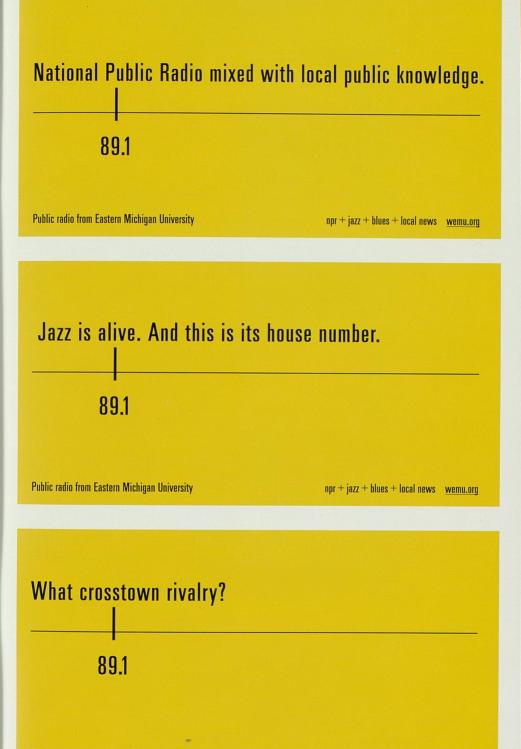
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