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UMS unleashes the power of the performing arts in order to engage, educate, transform, and connect individuals with uncommon experiences. The 2012-2013 season is full of exceptional, world-class, and truly inspiring performances.

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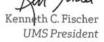
#### WELCOME.

"Welcome to this UMS performance. Since 1879, the people of southeast Michigan, including our students, faculty, and staff, have experienced remarkable moments through UMS's presentations of the world's finest performers of music, theater, and dance. This season, we are proud to celebrate 100 years of UMS presentations in Hill Auditorium, a historic and prized venue on our campus. Enjoy the performance."



Mary Sue Coleman Mary Sue Coleman President, University of Michigan

"With exceptional performances, the 100-year anniversary of Hill Auditorium, and an amazing array of events that we hope will transform, elevate, and transcend, we think this season will be something truly special. Thank you for being present."





"I'm delighted to welcome you to this UMS performance as chair of the UMS Board of Directors. We thank you for being here and encourage you to get even more involved with UMS through participation in our educational opportunities, by making a gift, or by adding more UMS events to your calendar. Thank you."

David J. Herzig

Chair, UMS Board of Directors





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# WHAT WILL YOU **DISCOVER?**

We want you to use this guide as a resource. Dig deeper. Get to know the artists. Figure out how it all comes together. We believe that the performing arts are extraordinary on their own, but we encourage you to explore, gain perspective, and understand the depth behind the experience. This book is designed to help you learn more about UMS, the community, and the artists on stage.

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# 2012-2013 SEASON CALENDAR.

To learn more, see video previews, get in-depth performance descriptions, and buy tickets, visit www.ums.org.

SEP	21-22	Kidd Pivot: The Tempest Replica
	23	National Theatre Live: The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time
	27	Chicago Symphony Orchestra - Riccardo Muti, conductor
	28-29	Suzhou Kun Opera Theater of Jiangsu Province

OCT	4	Basiani
	6-7	Aspen Santa Fe Ballet
	10	Jerusalem Quartet
	11-13	Théâtre de la Ville: Ionesco's Rhinocéros
	20	Murray Perahia, piano
	27	Mariinsky Orchestra of St. Petersburg - Valery Gergiev, conductor
	28	National Theatre Live: Last of the Haussmans
NON	11	Belcea Quartet
	16	Gilberto Gil

	17	Dave Holland Big Band	
1	28	National Theatre Live: Timon of Athens	
U	1-2	Handel's Messiah	

Artists, programs, and dates are subject to change. Please visit www.ums.org for an up-to-date season calendar.

Dianne Reeves Quartet with special guest Raul Midón



#### National Theatre of Scotland: The Strange Undoing of Prudencia Hart 8-13 13 Detroit Symphony Orchestra - Leonard Slatkin, conductor 17-18 Gabriel Kahane & Friends 21 From Cass Corridor to the World: A Tribute to Detroit's Musical Golden Age 25-26 Martha Graham Dance Company 27 Mariachi Vargas de Tecalitlán 31 Jazz at Lincoln Center Orchestra with Wynton Marsalis EB Angélique Kidjo 2 New Century Chamber Orchestra - Nadja Salerno-Sonnenberg, violin and leader 9 Berlin Philharmonic Woodwind Quintet with Martin Katz, piano 10 National Theatre Live: The Magistrate 14 The King's Singers 15 Kodo 16 Amjad Ali Khan with Amaan Ali Khan and Ayaan Ali Khan, sarods 17 The English Concert with David Daniels, countertenor: Handel's Radamisto 20-24 Propeller: Shakespeare's Twelfth Night and The Taming of the Shrew 23-24 New York Philharmonic - Alan Gilbert, conductor 13 Artemis Quartet 14 Anne-Sophie Mutter, violin 16 Yo-Yo Ma and The Silk Road Ensemble (Ford Honors Program) 23 Hamid Al-Saadi Iraqi Maqam Ensemble and Amir ElSaffar's Two Rivers Darius Milhaud's Oresteian Trilogy University Symphony Orchestra UMS Choral Union & U-M School of Music, Theatre & Dance Choral Ensembles Kenneth Kiesler, conductor 6 Esperanza Spalding Radio Music Society 10-14 1927: The Animals and Children Took to the Streets 12 Takács Ouartet 18 Bobby McFerrin: spirit you all 20 Alison Balsom, trumpet, and the Scottish Ensemble



Ragamala Dance: Sacred Earth

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#### **EDUCATION EXPERIENCES FOR EVERYONE**

Learning is core to our mission, and it is our joy to provide creative educational experiences for the entire community. Each season we offer a fun and fascinating lineup of workshops, artist Q&As, screenings, conversations, and interactive experiences designed to draw you in and out of your comfort zone, connect you to interesting people and unexpected ideas, and bring you closer to the heart of the artistic experience.

Through our K-12 and university engagement programs, we are working to develop the next generation of global citizens and creative artists who understand and appreciate diversity, innovation, collaboration, tradition, self-expression, and craft.





UMS EDUCATION & COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT EXISTS TO CREATE A SPARK IN EVERYONE. WE INVITE YOU TO EXPERIENCE SOMETHING NEW, EXPLORE YOUR OWN CREATIVITY, AND GROW YOUR PERSONAL PASSION FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS.

You'll find specific Education & Community Engagement event information within the Event Program section of this book.

Visit www.ums.org/learn

# CAN TRADITION BUILD THE FUTURE?

At UMS, we believe it can. In our 134th season, we continue to showcase traditional performances alongside contemporary artists for an offering that is unlike anything available in the Midwest. UMS grew from a group of local members of the University and townspeople in the 1870s 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. Many Choral Union members were also affiliated with the University, and the University Musical Society was established soon after in December 1880.

Since that first season, UMS has expanded greatly and we now present the very best from a wide spectrum of the performing arts: internationally renowned recitalists and orchestras, dance and chamber ensembles, jazz and global music performers, and contemporary stagework and classical theater. Through educational programming, the commissioning of new works, youth programs, artist residencies, and collaborative projects, we have maintained our reputation for artistic distinction and innovation.



#### 100 YEARS OF HILL AUDITORIUM

This season, we are pleased to honor 100 years of the legendary Hill Auditorium. Hill Auditorium is remarkable not only because of its rich history and incredible acoustics, but also because of the role it plays in the cultural story of the entire state. Join us for special performances held throughout the season, as well as events, celebrations, educational activities, and more.

For more information on our venues, please visit www.ums.org/venues.

# Congratulations, Ken Fischer.



2012 Winner of the Mariam C. Noland Award for Nonprofit Leadership Thank you for your leadership of UMS, your contributions to the nonprofit sector and to the development of the next generation of leaders in our region and beyond.



# LEADERSHIP.

UMS believes in exceptional stewardship of the performing arts, a responsibility shared by many in our community. In the following pages, you'll meet some of the individuals and organizations that help bring our season to the stage.



#### **UMS LEADERS**

The following individuals, corporations, and foundations have made gift commitments of \$50,000 or more for the 2012-2013 season. UMS is deeply grateful for these annual gifts.

#### ANONYMOUS

"UMS's presentation of *Einstein on the Beach* was both the most pleasurable for me and the most memorable I have experienced since I arrived in Michigan in September 1949...I can see now how a performance can be life-changing."



DTE Energy Foundation

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"The DTE Energy Foundation is pleased to support exemplary organizations like UMS that inspire the soul, instruct the mind, and enrich the community."



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#### FORD MOTOR COMPANY FUND AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

James G. Vella
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"Through music and the arts, we are inspired to broaden our horizons, bridge differences among cultures, and set our spirits free. We are proud to support UMS and acknowledge the important role it plays in our community."





#### MAXINE AND STUART FRANKEL FOUNDATION

#### Maxine and Stuart Frankel

"We believe the arts are fundamental in educating the children of this country who will be the leaders of tomorrow. While math and science are critical, challenging in-depth experiences in visual and performing arts are integral to who we are, encouraging the development of critical and creative thinking skills. The University of Michigan is the ideal incubator for nurturing and fostering creative thinking and collaboration. UMS is a real treasure in our community—we want to ensure that students, faculty, and the community can experience world-class performances for generations to come."



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"The arts and economic development are two sides of the same coin. MEDC is proud to support the efforts of UMS because these endeavors greatly enrich the quality of place of communities where workers, entrepreneurs, and businesses want to locate, invest, and expand."



University of Michigan

#### UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Mary Sue Coleman
President, University of Michigan

"The University of Michigan is proud to support UMS. Our partnership began 133 years ago and remains as strong as ever today. We recognize the enormous value that UMS brings to our academic mission through opportunities for students and faculty to interact with performers, through student ticket discounts, and through UMS's contributions to the quality of life in Ann Arbor that assists us in our retention and recruitment of valuable faculty and staff."





#### UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN HEALTH SYSTEM

Dr. Ora Hirsch Pescovitz Executive Vice President for Medical Affairs, University of Michigan, and CEO, University of Michigan Health System

"When I was young, I contemplated becoming a concert pianist. Though I didn't pursue that career path, the arts have remained a prominent fixture in my life, both personally and professionally. Music and the arts feed our imaginations, heal our spirits, and inspire us to evolve and grow. We are very fortunate to have UMS as part of our community, and the University of Michigan Health System is privileged to sponsor such a creative, vibrant part of our culture. Here's to a great year!"

#### UMS CORPORATE, FOUNDATION, GOVERNMENT AND UNIVERSITY SUPPORT

Special thanks to the following corporations, foundations, government agencies, and University of Michigan units that made generous financial contributions to UMS between July 1, 2011, and June 30, 2012.

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# THE EXPERIENCE.



### GETTING THE MOST OUT OF THE PERFORMANCE

We know that everyone enjoys the performance experience in different ways, so we encourage you to think about making choices when you enter the theater that allow you to be present, leave the worries of the day outside, and prepare to receive what the experience holds in store.

Be aware of your surroundings. Clearing your mind and connecting with what an artist or ensemble has to share is a very special gift, a gift which comes from a lifetime of training. One of the joys of attending live performances is the ability to share our experiences with one another, so revel in your opportunity to socialize, talk to your friends, discuss the performance, or simply say "hello" to someone new. Feel the energy that a room full of people creates. Look around and take in the entire picture. What goes on in this venue and in this community is truly unique and special, and we must all cherish and protect it.

# PRELUDE DINNERS.

Enjoy a delicious meal and learn more about the evening's concert at Prelude Dinners.
Park early, dine with fellow patrons, and hear about the artist, the performance, or the history of the work from our renowned guest speakers. Each evening begins at 5:30 pm with complimentary wine followed by a catered buffet dinner provided by local caterer Food Art.

#### SPECIAL CELEBRATION DINNER

Chicago Symphony Orchestra Thursday, September 27, 5:30 pm Speaker: Ken Fischer, UMS President

#### PRELUDE DINNERS

Mariinsky Orchestra Saturday, October 27, 5:30 pm Speaker: Inna Naroditskaya, Associate Professor of Musicology, Northwestern University

New York Philharmonic Saturday, February 23, 5:30 pm Speaker: Mark Clague, Associate Professor of Music, U-M School of Music, Theatre & Dance

Alison Balsom, trumpet, and the Scottish Ensemble Saturday, April 20, 5:30 pm

Speaker: TBD

For information and reservations, call Rachelle Lesko at 734.764.8489.





#### PLEASE CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING:

- Turn off cell phones and electronic devices. We all know how terrible it is when a phone rings during a performance. It breaks that special bond between a performer and the audience. Illuminated screens on phones are also a visual distraction in a darkened theater.
- Our volunteer ushers are invaluable. They will show you to your seat, give you a program, help solve any problems, answer questions, and welcome you to the experience. Please do not hesitate to ask them for help.
- Wear what you want to the performance this is Ann Arbor, after all! If you feel inspired to dress in some way related to the show, go for it. Express your own creativity.
- ▼ Unwrapping candies and cough drops before the performance begins cuts down on disruptive noise while the performance is in progress.
- ☼ Think about whether it is necessary to wear your favorite perfume tonight. Chances are that the folks sitting around you may appreciate an unscented experience.
- ▼ The Good News: most of our performance spaces especially Hill
  Auditorium have world-class acoustics. The Bad News: that means
  that when you cough or sneeze without first covering your mouth, you
  make an especially clear statement to fellow audience members and
  performers alike. Feel free to ask an usher for cough drops when you
  arrive at an event.
- ★ Thankfully, we manage to keep last-minute changes to a minimum, but please remember that all artists and repertoires are subject to change at a moment's notice.
- Programs with larger print are available by asking an usher.
- We make every effort to begin performances on time. The actual start time of a performance always reflects a combination of considerations. If you arrive after a performance has begun, we will get you inside the theater and to your seat as soon as it is appropriate. We work together with the artists to determine late seating breaks that will not disrupt their performance or the experience of the audience.



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# THE EVENT PROGRAM.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2012 THROUGH SUNDAY, JANUARY 13, 2013

- O3 HANDEL'S MESSIAH
  Saturday, December 1, 8:00 pm
  Sunday, December 2, 2:00 pm
  Hill Auditorium
- 23 DIANNE REEVES QUARTET
  WITH SPECIAL GUEST RAUL MIDÓN
  Saturday, December 8, 8:00 pm
  Hill Auditorium
- 27 DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA Sunday, January 13, 4:00 pm Hill Auditorium

We want this program book to engage you in a conversation that deepens your experience and connection to the performance both inside the theater and after you leave it. We are always conserving resources at UMS. If you are coming to multiple performances within a program book edition, please keep your book and return with it.



UMS WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE

# CARL AND ISABELLE BRAUER FUND

FOR ITS SUPPORT OF THIS WEEKEND'S PERFORMANCES OF HANDEL'S MESSIAH.



#### Love to sing?

Join the UMS Choral Union and perform major choral works in presentations throughout the region.

The UMS Choral Union has openings for tenors and basses in the Winter 2013 season by audition only. For more information or to schedule an audition, please contact Kathy Operhall at kio@umich.edu or 734.763.8997.





Composed by George Frideric Handel

UMS Choral Union Ann Arbor Symphony Orchestra Jerry Blackstone, Conductor

Julianna Di Giacomo, Soprano Jennifer Johnson Cano, Mezzo-Soprano William Burden, Tenor Morris Robinson, Bass

Edward Parmentier, *Harpsichord* Scott VanOrnum, *Organ* 

Saturday Evening, December 1, 2012 at 8:00 Sunday Afternoon, December 2, 2012 at 2:00 Hill Auditorium • Ann Arbor

#### 20th and 21st Performances of the 134th Annual Season

Photo: The UMS Choral Union performs Handel's *Messiah* on December 16, 1945 under the American flag, four months after the end of the Second World War.

This performance is presented with support from the Carl and Isabelle Brauer Fund.

Media partnership is provided by Ann Arbor's 107one and Michigan Radio.

Special thanks to Steven Ball for coordinating the pre-concert music on the Charles Baird Carillon.

Ms. Di Giacomo, Mr. Burden, and Mr. Robinson appear by arrangement with Opus 3 Artists, New York, NY.

Ms. Cano appears by arrangement with Kirshbaum Demler & Associates, New York, NY.



#### **<u><u></u><u>xums</u>**lobby</u>

Scan for a video history of Handel's *Messiah* in Hill Auditorium!

Download a free QR code reader app on your smart phone, point the camera at the code, and scan to see multimedia content.



- Handel's Messiah is an oratorio. An oratorio is a musical composition for choir, orchestra, and soloists. An oratorio differs from an opera in that it is strictly a concert piece and not staged with sets, costumes, and props.
- Handel composed the music for Messiah in 24 days.
- In the United States, Handel's Messiah is usually associated with and performed during Advent and Christmastime, but it was originally intended to be performed during Lent and Eastertide. It was first performed in Dublin on April 13, 1742, 19 days after Easter.
- UMS grew from a group of university members and townspeople who gathered together to study and sing Handel's Messiah. The group assumed the name The Choral Union. The Choral Union's first public performance was on Tuesday, December 16, 1879 at Ann Arbor's M.E. Church, where it performed choruses from Messiah. The work has since been performed annually.

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#### PART 1

#### 1 Sinfonia

#### 2 Arioso Mr. Burden

Isaiah 40:1 Comfort ye, comfort ye my people, saith your God.

Isaiah 40:2 Speak ye comfortably to Jerusalem, and cry unto her that her warfare is accomplished, that her iniquity is pardoned.

Isaiah 40:3 The voice of him that crieth in the wilderness: Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make straight in the desert a highway for

our God.

#### 3 Air Mr. Burden

Isaiah 40: 4 Every valley shall be exalted, and every hill and mountain... made low: the crooked... straight, and

the rough places plain:

#### 4 Chorus

Isaiah 40:5 And the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together: for the mouth of the Lord

hath spoken it.

#### 5 Accompanied

Haggai 2:7

#### recitative Mr. Robinson

 ${\it Haggai\, 2:6} \qquad \qquad \dots \text{thus saith the Lord of hosts: Yet once,} \dots \text{a little while, and I}$ 

will shake the heavens and the earth, the sea and the dry land; And I will shake all nations, and the desire of all nations shall

come:...

Malachi 3:1 ... the Lord, whom ye seek, shall suddenly come to his temple,

even the messenger of the covenant whom ye delight in:

behold, he shall come, saith the Lord of hosts.

#### 6 Air Mr. Robinson

Malachi 3:2 But who may abide the day of his coming? And who shall stand

when he appeareth? For he is like a refiner's fire, ...

#### 7 Chorus

Malachi 3:3 ... and he shall purify the sons of Levi, ... that they may offer

unto the Lord an offering in righteousness.

#### 8 Recitative Ms. Cano

Isaiah 7:14 Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his

name Immanuel "God-with-us."

#### 9 Air and Chorus Ms. Cano

Isaiah 40:9 O thou that tellest good tidings to Zion, get thee up into the high mountain; O thou that tellest good tidings to Jerusalem, lift up thy voice with strength; lift it up, be not afraid; say unto

the cities of Judah: Behold your God!

	Isaiah 60: 1	Arise, shine; for thy light is come, and the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee.
10	<b>Arioso</b> Isaiah 60: 2	Mr. Robinson  For behold, darkness shall cover the earth, and gross darkness the people: but the Lord shall arise upon thee, and His glory shall be seen upon thee.
	Isaiah 60:3	And the Gentiles shall come to thy light, and kings to the brightness of thy rising.
11	<b>Air</b> Isaiah 9: 2	Mr. Robinson The people that walked in darkness have seen a great light: and they that dwell in the land of the shadow of death, upon them hath the light shined.
12	Chorus Isaiah 9: 6	For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder, and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counselor, The Mighty God, The Everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.
13	Pifa	(Pastoral Symphony)
14	Recitative Luke 2:8	<b>Ms. Di Giacomo</b> there were shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night.
15	<b>Arioso</b> Luke 2:9	Ms. Di Giacomo  And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid.
16	Recitative Luke 2:10	Ms. Di Giacomo  And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people.
	Luke 2:11	For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, which is Christ the Lord.
17	Arioso Luke 2:13	Ms. Di Giacomo  And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying.
18	Chorus Luke 2:14	Glory to God in the highest, and peace on earth, good will toward men.
19	Air Zechariah 9:9	Ms. Di Giacomo  Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion; shout O daughter of Jerusalem: behold, thy King cometh unto thee: he is the righteous Savior,

20	Recitative	Ms. Cano
	Isaiah 35:5	Then shall the eyes of the blind be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped.
	Isaiah 35: 6	Then shall the lame man leap as an hart, and the tongue of the dumb shall sing:
21	Air	Ms. Cano and Ms. Di Giacomo
	Isaiah 40: 11	He shall feed his flock like a shepherd: and he shall gather the lambs with his arm, and carry them in his bosom, and gently lead those that are with young.
	Matthew 11:28	Come unto Him, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and He will give you rest.
	Matthew 11:29	Take His yoke upon you, and learn of Him, for He is meek and lowly of heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls.
22	Chamus	

#### Chorus 22

Matthew 11:30 ... His yoke is easy, and His burden is light.

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23	Chorus John 1: 29	Behold, the Lamb of God, that taketh away the sin of the world!
24	<b>Air</b> Isaiah 53: 3 Isaiah 50: 6	Ms. Cano He was despised and rejected of men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief: He gave his back to the smiters, and His cheeks to them that plucked off the hair: He hid not His face from shame and spitting.
25	Chorus Isaiah 53: 4 Isaiah 53: 5	Surely he hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows: he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes are we healed.
26	Chorus Isaiah 53: 4	All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the Lord hath laid on him the iniquity of us all.
27	<b>Arioso</b> Psalm 22: 7	Mr. Burden All they that see him laugh him to scorn: they shoot out their lips, and shake their heads, saying:

28	Chorus Psalm 22:8	He trusted in God that he would deliver him: let him deliver him, if he delight in him.
29	Accompanied recitative Psalm 69: 20	Mr. Burden Thy rebuke hath broken his heart; he is full of heaviness: he looked for some to have pity on him, but there was no man; neither found he any to comfort him.
30	<b>Arioso</b> Lamentations 1:12	Mr. Burden Behold and see if there be any sorrow like unto his sorrow
31	Accompanied recitative Isaiah 53:8	Mr. Burdenhe was cut off out of the land of the living: for the transgressions of thy people was he stricken.
32	<b>Air</b> Psalm 16:10	Mr. Burden But thou didst not leave his soul in hell; nor didst thou suffer thy Holy One to see corruption.
33	Chorus Psalm 24:7 Psalm 24:8 Psalm 24:9 Psalm 24:10	Lift up your heads, O ye gates; and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors; and the King of glory shall come in.  Who is this King of glory? The Lord strong and mighty, the Lord mighty in battle.  Lift up your heads, O ye gates; and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors; and the King of glory shall come in.  Who is this King of glory? The Lord of hosts, he is the King of glory.
34	Recitative Hebrews 1:5	Mr. Burden unto which of the angels said he at any time, Thou art my son, this day have I begotten thee?
35	Chorus Hebrews 1:6	let all the angels of God worship him.
36	<b>Air</b> Psalm 68: 18	Ms. Cano Thou art gone up on high, thou has lead captivity captive: and received gifts for men; yea, even for thine enemies, that the Lord God might dwell among them.
37	Chorus Psalm 68:11	The Lord gave the word: great was the company of the preachers.
38	<b>Air</b> Isaiah 52: 7	Ms. Di Giacomo  How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of

peace, and bring glad tidings of good things  $\dots$ 

39	Chorus	
	Romans 10:18	Their sound is gone out into all lands, and their words unto the ends of the world.
40	Air	Mr. Robinson
	Psalm 2:1	Why do the nations so furiously rage together, why do the people imagine a vain thing?

41 Chorus

Psalm 2:2

Psalm 2:3 Let us break their bonds asunder, and cast away their yokes

from us.

42 Recitative Mr. Burden

Psalm 2:4 He that dwelleth in heaven shall laugh them to scorn: the Lord

shall leave them in derision.

43 Air Mr. Burden

Psalm 2:9 Thou shalt break them with a rod of iron; thou shalt dash them

in pieces like a potter's vessel.

44 Chorus

Revelation 19:6 Hallelujah: for the Lord God omnipotent reigneth.

 $Revelation \ 11:15 \hspace{1cm} \dots \\ The \ kingdom \ of \ this \ world \ is \ become \ the \ kingdom \ of \ our$ 

Lord, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever.

The kings of the earth rise up, and the rulers take counsel

together against the Lord and his anointed,...

Revelation 19:16 ... King of Kings, and Lord of Lords.

You are invited to join the UMS Choral Union in singing the "Hallelujah" chorus. Please leave the music at the door when exiting the auditorium. Thank you.

#### PART 3

45	Air	Ms. Di Giacomo
	Job 19:25	I know that my redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the
		latter day upon the earth.
	Job 19:26	And though worms destroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God.
	ICor. 15: 20	For now is Christ risen from the dead, $\dots$ the first fruits of them that sleep.
46	Chorus	
	ICor. 15:21	$\ldots$ since by man came death, by man came also the resurrection of the dead.
	ICor. 15: 22	For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive.

47	Accompanied	
	recitative	Mr. Robinson
	ICor. 15:51	Behold, I tell you a mystery; we shall not all sleep, but we shall
		all be changed,
	I Cor. 15: 52	In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye at the last trumpet:
48	Air	Mr. Robinson
	ICor. 15:52	the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised
		incorruptible, and we shall be changed.
	ICor. 15:53	For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality.
		SECOND SECOND
49	Recitative	Ms. Cano
	ICor. 15:54	then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written,
		Death is swallowed up in victory.
50	Duet	Ms. Cano and Mr. Burden
	I Cor. 15:55	O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory?
	I Cor. 15:56	The sting of death is $\sin$ ; and the strength of $\sin$ is the law.
51	Chorus	
	ICor. 15:57	But thanks be to God, who giveth us the victory through our
		Lord Jesus Christ.
52	Air	Ms. Di Giacomo
	Romans 8:31	If God be for us, who can be against us?
	Romans 8:33	Who shall lay anything to the charge of God's elect? It is God that justifieth.
	Romans 8: 34	Who is he that condemneth? It is Christ that died, yea rather,
		that is risen again, who is at the right hand of God, who
		maketh intercession for us.
53	Chorus	
	Revelation 5:12	Worthy is the Lamb that was slain and hath redeemed us to
		God by His blood to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and
		strength, and honor, and glory, and blessing.
	Revelation 5:13	Blessing, and honor, glory, and power, be unto Him that
		sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb for ever and ever.
		Amen.

#### Messiah (1741)

George Frideric Handel

Born February 23, 1685 in Halle, Germany Died April 14, 1759 in London

George Frideric Handel's sacred oratorio Messiah is without question one of the most popular works in the choral/orchestral repertoire today. In what has become an indispensable Christmas tradition, amateur and professional musicians in almost every city and town throughout the country perform this work as a seasonal entertainment, and are rewarded with the satisfaction of taking part in one of the great communal musical events.

The text for Messiah was selected and compiled from the Authorized (King James) Version of the Bible by Charles Jennens, an aristocrat and musician/poet of modest talent and exceptional ego. With Messiah, Jennens seems to have outdone himself in compiling a libretto with profound thematic coherence and an acute sensitivity to the inherent musical structure. With the finished libretto in his possession, Handel began setting it to music on August 22, 1741, and completed it 24 days later. He was certainly working at white-hot speed, but this didn't necessarily indicate he was in the throes of devotional fervor, as legend has often stated. Handel composed many of his works in haste, and immediately after completing Messiah he wrote his next oratorio, Samson, in a similarly brief time-span.

The swiftness with which Handel composed *Messiah* can be partially explained by the musical borrowings from his own earlier compositions. For example, the melodies used in the two choruses "And He shall purify" and "His yoke is easy" were taken from an Italian chamber, duet Handel had written

earlier in 1741, "Quel fior che all' alba ride." Another secular duet, "Nò, di voi non vo' fidarmi," provided material for the famous chorus "For unto us a Child is born," and the delightful "All we like sheep" borrows its wandering melismas from the same duet. A madrigal from 1712, "Se tu non lasci amore," was transformed into a duetchorus pair for the end of the oratorio. "O Death, where is thy sting," and "But thanks be to God." In each instance, however, Handel does more than simply provide new words to old tunes. There is considerable re-composition, and any frivolity that remains from the lighthearted secular models is more than compensated for by the new material Handel masterfully worked into each chorus. Over-enthusiastic "Handelists" in the 19th century perpetuated all sorts of legends regarding the composition of Messiah. An often-repeated story relates how Handel's servant found him sobbing with emotion while writing the famous "Hallelujah Chorus," and the composer claiming, "I did think I did see all Heaven before me and the great God Himself." Supposedly Handel often left his meals untouched during this compositional period, in an apparent display of devotional fasting and monastic selfdenial. Present-day historians more familiar with Handel's life and religious views tend to downplay these stories. It's been suggested that if Handel did indeed have visions of Heaven while he composed Messiah, then it was only in the same manner in which he visualized the Roman pantheon of gods while he composed his opera Semele. Handel's religious faith was sincere, but tended to be practical rather than mystical.

The tradition of performing Messiah at Christmas began later in the 18th century. Although the work was occasionally performed during Advent

in Dublin, the oratorio was usually regarded in England as an entertainment for the penitential season of Lent, when performances of opera were banned. Messiah's extended musical focus on Christ's redeeming sacrifice also makes it particularly suitable for Passion Week and Holy Week, the periods when it was usually performed during Handel's lifetime. But in 1791, the Cæcilian Society of London began its annual Christmas performances, and in 1818 the Handel and Haydn Society of Boston gave the work's first complete performance in the US on Christmas Day - establishing a tradition that continues to the present. UMS is a direct result of this tradition. In 1879, a group of local university and townspeople gathered together to study Handel's Messiah; this group assumed the name "The Choral Union" and, in 1880, the members of the Choral Union established the University Musical Society.

Following the pattern of Italian baroque opera, *Messiah* is divided into three parts. The first is concerned with prophecies of the Messiah's coming, drawing heavily from messianic texts in the Book of Isaiah, and concludes with an account of the Christmas story that mixes both Old and New Testament sources. The second part deals with Christ's mission and sacrifice, culminating in the grand "Hallelujah Chorus." The final, shortest section is an extended hymn of thanksgiving an

expression of faith beginning with Job's statement "I know that my Redeemer liveth" and closing with the majestic chorus "Worthy is the Lamb" and a fugal "Amen." In its focus on Christ's sacrifice Messiah resembles the great Lutheran Passions of Schütz and Bach. but with much less direct narrative and more meditative commentary on the redemptive nature of the Messiah's earthly mission. Handel scholar Robert Myers suggested that "logically Handel's masterpiece should be called Redemption, for its author celebrates the idea of Redemption, rather than the personality of Christ."

For the believer and non-believer alike. Handel's Messiah is undoubtedly a majestic musical edifice. But while a truly popular favorite around the world, Messiah aspires to more than just a reputation as an enjoyable musical event. After an early performance of the work in London, Lord Kinnoul congratulated Handel on the "noble entertainment" he had recently brought to the city. Handel is said to have replied, "My Lord, I should be sorry if I only entertained them: I wished to make them better." Certainly Messiah carries an ennobling message to people of all faiths and credos, proclaiming "peace on earth, and goodwill towards men" - a message that continues to be timely and universal.

Program note by Luke Howard.

rammy Award-winning conductor JERRY BLACKSTONE is director of choirs and chair of the conducting department at the U-MSchool of Music, Theatre & Dance where he conducts the Chamber Choir, teaches conducting at the



graduate level, and administers a choral program of 11 choirs. In February 2006, he received two Grammy Awards

("Best Choral Performance" and "Best Classical Album") as chorusmaster for the Naxos recording of William Bolcom's Songs of Innocence and of Experience. In 2006, the Chamber Choir performed by special invitation at the inaugural convention of the National Collegiate Choral Organization San Antonio. in and in 2003, the Chamber Choir presented three enthusiastically received performances in New York City at the National Convention of the American Choral Directors Association (ACDA). In addition to Dr. Blackstone's choral conducting work at the University, he has led operatic productions with the U-M Opera Theatre, including productions of Janáček's The Cunning Little Vixen and Strauss's Die Fledermaus. For his significant contributions to choral music in Michigan, he received the 2006 Maynard Klein Lifetime Achievement Award from the ACDA-Michigan chapter.

Dr. Blackstone is considered one of the country's leading conducting teachers and his students have received first place awards and been finalists in both the graduate

and undergraduate divisions of the American Choral Directors Association biennial National Choral Conducting Awards competition. He has appeared as festival guest conductor and workshop presenter in 30 states as well as New Zealand, Hong Kong, Shanghai, and Australia.

In 2004, Dr. Blackstone was named conductor and music director of the UMS Choral Union. In March 2008, he conducted the UMS Choral Union and the Detroit Symphony Orchestra in a special performance of Bach's St. Matthew Passion. Choirs prepared by Dr. Blackstone have appeared under the batons of Valery Gergiev, Neeme Järvi, Leonard Slatkin, John Adams, Helmuth Rilling, James Conlon, Nicholas McGegan, Rafael Frühbeck de Burgos, Peter Oundjian, Michael Tilson Thomas, and Itzhak Perlman.

As conductor of the U-M Men's Glee Club from 1988–2002, Dr. Blackstone led the ensemble in performances at ACDA national and division conventions and on extensive concert tours throughout Australia, Eastern and Central Europe, Asia, South America, and the US. The U-M Men's Glee Club recording, I have had singing, is a retrospective of his tenure as conductor of the ensemble.

his season, soprano JULIANNA
DI GIACOMO makes her debuts
at the Los Angeles Opera as
Donna Anna in Don Giovanni, the



Petruzelli e Teatri di Bari as Desdemona in Otello, and the Opéra National Montpellier in Les Roys d'Ys. She also returns to the Teatro Real de Madrid for the title role in Suor Angelica and appears in concert with the Israel Philharmonic and the Netherlands Radio Philharmonic Orchestra.

Ms. Di Giacomo made debut at the Metropolitan Opera as Clotilde in Norma and has since returned for Lina in Stiffelio and Leonora in Il trovatore. Other recent North American engagements have included her debut with the Los Angeles Philharmonic in performances of Mahler's Symphony No. 8, conducted by Gustavo Dudamel, in both Los Angeles and Caracas and broadcast live to movie theaters in North and South America; excerpts from Don Giovanni with the New York Philharmonic, Il trovatore and Mathilde in Guillaume Tell at the Caramoor International Music Festival, Mme. Lidoine in Dialogues des Carmelites at the Pittsburgh Opera, Fiordiligi in Così fan tutte, and Donna Elvira in Don Giovanni at the New York City Opera. She made her Carnegie Hall debut as Lucrezia in I due Foscari with Eve Queler and the Opera Orchestra of New York and returned for Rossini's Stabat Mater and as a featured recitalist in the opera Orchestra of New York's Rising Stars Series. She also appeared at Lincoln Center as a featured § soloist in its Puccini 150th Birthday Celebration gala concert, and most recently made her Cincinnati May Festival debut in a performance of Elijah conducted by James Conlon.

Ms. Di Giacomo recently made her debut at the Teatro dell'Opera di Roma in the famed Terme di Caracalla as the title role in Norma. Other European engagements have included her debut at Teatro alla Scala in I due Foscari. Valentine in

Les Huguenots at the Teatro Real de Madrid, the Verdi Requiem at the Deutches Symphonie-Orchester in Berlin, and Il trovatore with Zubin Mehta and the Israel Philharmonic.

A native of Santa Monica, California, Ms. Di Giacomo is a graduate of the San Francisco Opera's prestigious Merola Program and the Santa Fe Opera's Apprentice Program. Her many awards include the Leonie Rysanek Prize from the George London Foundation, the Top Prize from the Gerda Lissner Foundation, the First Prize from the Licia Albanese Puccini Foundation Competition, the NYCO Richard F. Gold Career Grant, and a prizewinner at the Loren Zachary Vocal Competition.

2012 Richard Tucker Career Grant Winner and 2011 Sara Tucker Study Grant Recipient, mezzo-soprano JENNIFER JOHNSON CANO joined The Lindemann Young Artist Development Program at The Metropolitan Opera in 2008 and made



her Met debut in the 2009-10 season. As First Prize winner of the 2009 Young Concert Artist International

Auditions, she was awarded the Mecklenburg-Vorpommern Festival and Princeton University Prizes and has given stunning recital debuts at Carnegie Hall, Merkin Hall, and the Kennedy Center; and in Boston, Philadelphia, Houston, and Chicago.

In addition to her continued relationship with The Metropolitan Opera, Ms. Cano has appeared with such esteemed orchestras as the New

York and Los Angeles Philharmonics, Cleveland Orchestra and Orchestra of St. Luke's, and with debuts planned for the San Francisco and Milwaukee Symphonies. She toured Musicians from Marlboro singing Respighi's Il Tramonto and Cuckson's Der gayst funem shture, recorded live and released by the Marlboro Recording Society. A live recording of Mahler's Das Lied von der Erde with tenor Paul Groves was released by The Orchestra of St. Luke's in September 2012 as well as a series of DVDs devoted to Robert LePage's Ring cycle for The Metropolitan Opera in which Ms. Cano portrays a Rhinemaiden. Ms. Cano has been part of the Ravinia Festival's Steans Institute and received a Sullivan Foundation Award.

Ms. Cano is a native of St. Louis, Missouri and earned her bachelor's degree in music from Webster University and her master's degree from Rice University.

merican tenor WILLIAM
BURDEN has won an
outstanding reputation in a
wide-ranging repertoire throughout
Europe and North America. He has
appeared at the Metropolitan Opera,
San Francisco Opera, Lyric Opera
of Chicago, Houston Grand Opera,



Seattle Opera, Opera Company of Philadelphia, Santa Fe Opera, New York City Opera, La Scala, Glyndebourne

Opera Festival, Paris Opera, Munich State Opera, Canadian Opera, and the Saito Kinen Festival. His many roles include the title roles of Faust, Pelléas et Mélisande, Orphée et Euriudice, The Rake's Progress, Roméo et Juliette, Béatrice and Bénédict; and Edgardo in Lucia di Lammermoor, Aschenbach in Death in Venice, Captain Vere in Billy Budd, Don Jose in Carmen, and the Male Chorus in The Rape of Lucretia. He also appeared in the US premiere of Henze's Phaedra at the Opera Company of Philadelphia and created roles in Tobias Picker's An American Tragedy at the Metropolitan Opera, Christopher Theofanidis's Heart of a Soldier at the San Francisco Opera, Kevin Puts's Pulitzer Prize-winning Silent Night at the Minnesota Opera, and Daron Hagen's Amelia at the Seattle Opera.

In concert, Mr. Burden has appeared with the San Francisco Symphony, Atlanta Symphony Orchestra, Philadelphia Orchestra, Minnesota Orchestra, St. Louis Symphony, Berlin Philharmonic, the BBC Symphony Orchestra, and with Les Arts Florissants on tour throughout Europe. He also recently made his debut at the Edinburgh Festival.

Mr. Burden's recordings include Barber's Vanessa (Anatol) with the BBC Symphony Orchestra on the Chandos label and Musique adorable: The Songs of Emmanuel Chabrier for the Hyperion label.

This season Mr. Burden returns to the Metropolitan Opera for the new production of Thomas Adès's The Tempest, the Opera Company of Philadelphia for Silent Night, and the Bayerische Staatsoper for Don Giovanni. He also appears in two world premieres: Mark Adamo's The Gospel of Mary Magdalene at the San Francisco Opera and Theodore Morrison's Oscar at the Santa Fe Opera.

ORRIS ROBINSON has gained a reputation as one of the most interesting and sought-after basses of his generation. A graduate of the Metropolitan Opera Lindemann Young Artist



Development Program, Mr. Robinson made his debut at the Metropolitan Opera in 2002 in their production of

Fidelio. He has since appeared there as Sarastro in Die Zauberflöte (in both the German and English versions), the King in Aida, and in roles in Nabucco, Tannhäuser, and new productions of Les Troyens and Salome. He has also appeared at the Florida Grand Opera, Dallas Opera, Washington National Opera, Pittsburgh Opera, Los Angeles Opera, and the Cincinnati Opera, and in Europe at the Aix-en-Provence Festival. His many roles include Osmin in Die Entführung aus dem Serail, Ramfis in Aida, Sparafucile in Rigoletto, Commendatore in Don Giovanni, Grand Inquisitor in Don Carlos, Timur in Turandot, and Fasolt in Das Rheingold.

Also a prolific concert singer, Mr. Robinson has appeared with the Met Chamber Orchestra; the Chicago, Montreal, National, Baltimore, Fort Worth, Nashville, and São Paulo symphony orchestras; and at the Ravinia, Mostly Mozart, Tanglewood, Cincinnati May, Verbier, Aspen festivals. He also appeared in Carnegie Hall as part of Jessye Norman's HONOR! Festival. In recital he has been presented by Spivey Hall in Atlanta, the Savannah Music Festival, the National Academy of Sciences in Washington, DC, the Philadelphia Chamber Music Society,

and the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York City.

Mr. Robinson's summer engagements included his return to both the Cincinnati May Festival and the Ravinia Festival, and in the upcoming season he makes his debuts at the San Francisco Opera as the Commendatore in Don Giovanni, the Lyric Opera of Chicago as Joe in Show Boat, and the Vancouver Opera as Ramfis in Aida. Mr. Robinson's first album, Going Home, was released by Decca.

Harpsichord is professor of harpsichord and director of the Early Music Ensemble at the



U-M School of Music, Theatre & Dance. He has both led and directed doctoral seminars on campus, several small Baroque

co-directs ensembles, and Baroque Chamber Orchestra with Professor Aaron Berofsky. Other recent activities include a faculty recital on his new transposing double harpsichord from Holland; adjudicating and teaching at the harpsichord competition of the Midwest Historical Keyboard Society in Cincinnati, Ohio; and teaching summer harpsichord workshops on Francis Couperin and on the fundamentals of harpsichord performance and repertoire.

A strong advocate for education and outreach, Mr. Parmentier both directed and performed at the annual Michigan Harpsichord Saturday, an outreach program held at the U-M School of Music, Theatre & Dance for young musicians in the Ann Arbor area. He has also had the privilege of performing for recovering patients at the Rehabilitation Center of the Muscular Dystrophy Association in Southfield, MI.

rom its humble beginnings 84 years ago as the local community orchestra, the **ANN ARBOR SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA** (A<sup>2</sup>SO) has become an artistic pillar of Southeast Michigan, year after year providing nearly 80,000 Michiganders with outstanding concerts on stage, in area classrooms, libraries, and senior and day care centers.

A<sup>2</sup>SO concerts frequently feature world-class guest soloists, including Laura Aikin, Anton Nel, Julie Albers, Roman Rabinovich. and even American Idol star David Archuleta. The Symphony is most privileged to be part of a community already enriched with musical talent: local virtuosi such as trumpeter William Campbell, violinist Yehonatan Berick, vocalists Melody Racine and Stephen West, and many more who regularly join the A2SO.

In 2009, the A<sup>2</sup>SO released its first CD, featuring the music of contemporary composer Paul Fetler, as part of Naxos's American Classics series. The CD consists of live performances of Fetler's Violin Concerto No. 2 with concertmaster Aaron Berofsky as soloist, Capriccio for orchestra, and Three Poems of Walt Whitman narrated by Thomas Blaske. AnnArbor.com described the recording as "startlingly wonderful," and praised Fetler's "evocative lyricism in music that is itself protean in color, style, and mood."

Whether on an iPod or the radio.

in the concert hall or the classroom, the mission of the A<sup>2</sup>SO attracts, inspires, and educates the most diverse audience possible; fosters a growing appreciation for excellent music and regional talent; and provides imaginative programming through community involvement. Join the A<sup>2</sup>SO for concerts on January 19, March 15, and April 27 at the Michigan Theater.

ormed by a group of local duniversity and townspeople who gathered together for the study of Handel's Messiah, the UMS CHORAL UNION has performed with many of the world's distinguished orchestras and conductors its 134-year history. First led by Professor Henry Simmons Frieze and conducted by Professor Calvin Cady, the group assumed the name The Choral Union. Since its first performance of Handel's Messiah in December 1879, the oratorio has been performed by the UMS Choral Union in Ann Arbor annually. Based in Ann Arbor under the aegis of UMS, the 175-voice Choral Union is known for its definitive performances of largescale works for chorus and orchestra. Seventeen years ago, the UMS Choral Union further enriched that tradition when it began appearing regularly with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra (DSO).

Led by Grammy Award-winning conductor and music director Jerry Blackstone, the UMS Choral Union was a participant chorus in a rare performance and recording of William Bolcom's Songs of Innocence and of Experience in Hill Auditorium in April 2004 under the baton of Leonard Slatkin. Naxos released a

three-disc set of this recording in October 2004, featuring the UMS Choral Union and U-M School of Music, Theatre & Dance ensembles. The recording won four Grammy Awards in 2006, including "Best Choral Performance" and "Best Classical Album." The recording was also selected as one of The New York Times "Best Classical Music CDs of 2004."

The UMS Choral Union's 2012–13 season begins with its annual performances of Handel's Messiah at Hill Auditorium with the Ann Arbor Symphony in December. The chorus will return to Detroit in February for performances of Beethoven's Symphony No. 9 with Leonard Slatkin and the DSO. In celebration of the 100th birthday of Hill Auditorium, the UMS Choral Union will join forces in April with the U-M School of Music,

Theatre & Dance Chamber Choir, University Choir, Orpheus Singers, and University Symphony Orchestra in a performance of the rarely-heard Oresteian Trilogy by Darius Milhaud. A small group of UMS Choral Union members will also accompany the Detroit Symphony Orchestra in Ives's Symphony No. 4 under the baton of Leonard Slatkin both in Detroit and in New York at Carnegie Hall's Spring for Music Festival

Participation in the UMS Choral Union remains open to all students and adults by audition. For more information on how to audition, please email choralunion@umich.edu, call 734.763.8997, or visit www.ums.org/about/ums-choral-union.



#### **UMS ARCHIVES**

The UMS Choral Union began performing on December 16, 1879 and has presented Handel's Messiah in annual performances ever since. This weekend's performances mark the UMS Choral Union's 420th and 421st appearances under UMS auspices. This weekend, Dr. Blackstone makes his 22nd and 23rd UMS appearances, following his debut leading the Choral Union in performances of Messiah in 2003 at the Michigan Theater. The UMS Choral Union and Dr. Blackstone most recently appeared under UMS auspices in December 2011 in last season's presentations of Handel's Messiah at Hill Auditorium.

This weekend's performances mark the Ann Arbor Symphony Orchestra's 63rd and 64th UMS appearances since its 1974 UMS debut.

Harpsichordist Edward Parmentier has performed in the annual UMS presentations of *Messiah* since 1995; this weekend's performances mark his 37th and 38th appearances under UMS auspices.

UMS welcomes soloists Julianna Di Giacomo, Jennifer Johnson Cano, William Burden, and Morris Robinson, who make their UMS debuts this weekend.

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## Raul Midón

Vocals and Guitar

Saturday Evening, December 8, 2012 at 8:00 Hill Auditorium, Ann Arbor

Tonight's program will be announced from the stage by the artists and will be performed with one intermission following Mr. Midón's set.

22nd Performance of the 134th Annual Season 19th Annual Jazz Series

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Tonight's performance is sponsored by Michigan Critical Care Consultants, Inc.

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The Steinway piano used in this evening's performance is made possible by William and Mary Palmer.

The Dianne Reeves Quartet and Raul Midón appear by arrangement with International Music Network.



## SMALL BITES

- · Dianne Reeves, though raised in Denver, was born in Detroit, Michigan to a musical family.
- Scat singing is a vocal improvisation using wordless (non-lexical) vocables, syllables
  with no direct meaning, or without words at all. Scatting gives singers the ability to
  create "horn-like" improvised melodies and rhythms. Like all great improvisers, the
  best scat singers usually incorporate musical structure and form in their improvisations.
- Vocalist Ella Fitzgerald (1917–1996) is widely considered to be one of the most influential scat singers in jazz history.
- Ms. Reeves was invited to and sang at the closing ceremony of the 2002 Winter Olympic Games in Salt Lake City, Utah.
- In January 2004, Regina Carter and Dee Dee Bridgewater joined Ms. Reeves in the Jazz Divas Summit, a celebratory Hill Auditorium Re-Opening Weekend concert.

#### WHY HILL100?

When the majority of UMS patrons think about Hill Auditorium, they fondly recall life-affirming moments listening to many of the great works of the Western European classical music canon performed by some of the world's most accomplished and respected ensembles and recitalists. But the history of UMS's presentation of "America's classical music"—jazz—also has very deep and meaningful resonance with southeastern Michigan music afficionados who have participated in jazz concert experiences at Hill dating back to the years before UMS launched its first UMS Jazz Series 19 years ago.

From legendary clarinetist Benny Goodman's 1986 Big Band concert just weeks before he passed away, to the 1997 UMS presentation of Wynton Marsalis's Pulitzer Prize-winning oratorio Blood on the Fields, Hill Auditorium has been the venue of choice for many UMS jazz concerts. The last UMS decade alone in Hill has brought improvising artists and ensembles as diverse as saxophone colossus Sonny Rollins; the estimable Jazz at Lincoln Center Orchestra with Wynton Marsalis; legendary pianists Dave Brubeck (who actually made his Ann Arbor debut in 1954 at Hill, as documented on Columbia Records' Jazz Goes to College), Ahmad Jamal, Detroit's own Alice Coltrane, and Keith Jarrett; and U-M honorary degree recipient and visionary Ornette Coleman.

UMS's annual Jazz Series concert presentations in Hill Auditorium (and in other cherished venues) reflect the organization's commitment to both the preservation of and the continual investment in a uniquely American art form (and global export) which is very much alive and kicking in 2012. Tap your feet, bob your head, and feel free to hoot and holler when you catch the emotion coming off the stage tonight. After all, you're in Hill Auditorium.

#### ARTISTS

IANNE REEVES is the preeminent jazz vocalist in the world today. As a result of her virtuosity, improvisational prowess, and unique jazz and R&B stylings, she received the Grammy Award for "Best Jazz Vocal Performance" for three consecutive recordings — a Grammy first in any vocal category.

Ms. Reeves appeared in George Clooney's Good Night, and Good Luck, the Academy Award-nominated film that chronicles Edward R. Murrow's confrontation with Senator Joseph McCarthy. The soundtrack recording of Good Night, and Good Luck provided Ms. Reeves her fourth "Best Jazz Vocal Performance" Grammy Award in 2006.

Ms. Reeves has recorded and performed extensively with Wynton Marsalis and the Lincoln Center Jazz Orchestra. She has also recorded with the Chicago Symphony Orchestra conducted by Daniel Barenboim and was a featured soloist with Sir Simon Rattle and the Berlin Philharmonic. She was the first Creative Chair for Jazz for the Los Angeles Philharmonic and the first singer to ever perform at the famed Walt Disney Concert Hall.

Ms. Reeves worked with legendary producer Arif Mardin (Norah Jones, Aretha Franklin) on the Grammy Award-winning A Little Moonlight, an intimate collection of 10 standards featuring her touring trio. When her first holiday collection Christmas Time is Here was released in 2004, Ben Ratliff of The New

York Times raved, "Ms. Reeves, a jazz singer of frequently astonishing skill, takes the assignment seriously; this is one of the best jazz Christmas CDs I've heard."

In 2007, Ms. Reeves was featured in an award-winning documentary on the all-too-brief life of Billy Strayhorn. Her first solo album in several years, When You Know, was released in 2008. Since then, she has been touring the world in a variety of contexts including "Sing the Truth," a musical celebration of Nina Simone which also featured Liz Wright and Angelique Kidjo. Ms. Reeves began 2011 performing at the White House State Dinner for the President of China, Hu Jintao.

Tonight's concert marks Dianne Reeves's fourth performance under UMS auspices. Ms. Reeves made her UMS debut in January 2004 as part of the Jazz Divas Summit at Hill Auditorium. She most recently appeared in October 2007 with the Dianne Reeves Quartet at Hill Auditorium.

"A free man beyond any category" (The Huffington Post) best describes the unique musician that is blind singer, songwriter, and guitarist RAUL MIDÓN. His singular timeless soul/pop/jazz sound garnered him a standing ovation during his television debut on The Late Show with David Letterman and an open invitation back to The Tonight Show with Jay Leno following his appearances there. This



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mesmerizing. talented. genre-defying artist has travelled the globe from India to Indiana spreading the message that you can do it, you can be yourself, and be recognized and be bold.

With three major label records under his belt including State of Mind, A World Within A World, and Synthesis, and



countless appearances both on television worldwide and other artist's records. Mr. Midón is a pro and more a part of the musical landscape

than one might realize. Not only have the music lovers of the world recognized Mr. Midón's uniqueness, so have some of the greatest musicians in recent history. He has been featured in Still Bill, the recent documentary on Bill Withers: in the Herbie 49 Hancock documentary Possibilities; and in All My Friends Are Here, the documentary on the legendary producer Arif Mardin, where Mardin declares that Raul is the only artist he ever signed to a label. His musical collaborations have also been broad and varied from a duet with Jason Mraz, to a live recording with bass legend and producer Marcus Miller, to playing The Budokan with Roberta Flack.

People magazine calls Mr. Midón an "eclectic adventurist" and The New York Times calls him an "unreconstructed hippie." Guitar magazine describes him as "one of those rare musical forces that reminds us how strong and deep the connection between man and music can sometimes be."

Mr. Midón will delight you with his wit and musical virtuosity, all a result of his dedication to being the best he can be.

UMS welcomes Raul Midón, who makes his UMS debut tonight.



## **Leonard Slatkin**

Music Director and Conductor

Peter Richard Conte, *Organ* David Higgs, *Organ* James Kibbie, *Organ* 

#### **UMS Choral Union**

Jerry Blackstone, Music Director

Sunday Afternoon, January 13, 2013 at 4:00 Hill Auditorium • Ann Arbor

#### 29th Performance of the 134th Annual Season 134th Annual Choral Union Series

Photo: Columbian Exposition, Chicago, Illinois, 1893  $\,-\,$  the original home of the Frieze Memorial Organ. ©Bettmann/Corbis.

## Hill Auditorium's King of Instruments: The Frieze Memorial Organ

Iames MacMillan Tu es Petrus

MR. KIBBIE, UMS CHORAL UNION, DSO BRASS AND PERCUSSION

Johann Sebastian Bach/Arr, Leopold Stokowski Toccata and Fugue in d minor, BWV 565

Samuel Barber Toccata Festiva for Organ and Orchestra, Op. 36

MR. HIGGS

INTERMISSION

William Bolcom Gospel Preludes, Book 4 (excerpt)

12. Free Fantasia on "O Zion, Haste" and "How Firm a Foundation"

MR. KIBBIE

Aram Khachaturian Symphony No. 3 in C Major

MR. CONTE

This afternoon's performance is presented with support from Barbara Sloat.

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Special thanks to Tom Thompson of Tom Thompson Flowers, Ann Arbor, for his generous contribution of lobby floral art for this afternoon's performance.

Mr. Conte appears by arrangement with Phillip Truckenbrod Concert Artists.

Mr. Higgs appears by arrangement with Karen McFarlane Artists, Inc.

Mr. Higgs's recordings can be found on the Gothic, Loft, Pro Organo, and Delos International labels.

Mr. Kibbie's recordings of the complete Bach organ works can be found on the Block M Records label as free Internet downloads.



- · Mozart called the organ the "King of instruments."
- Henry Simmons Frieze was a U-M Latin professor and U-M interim president. He was a
  principal founder of UMS and believed music was essential to a liberal education and to
  the community, and campaigned for the University to purchase an organ.
- The University purchased the organ in 1894 for a purchase price of \$15,000. It was dedicated to Frieze, who died in 1889.
- The Frieze Memorial Organ was built in Detroit and was a highlight of the 1893 World's Columbian Exposition in Chicago.
- The Frieze Memorial Organ was originally installed in University Hall, located where Angell Hall now stands. It took an estimated 100 wagon trips to move the organ's components across campus from University Hall to Hill Auditorium in 1913.

#### WHY HILL100?

In the era before radio and high-quality phonographs, when symphony orchestras were relatively rare, Americans of the late-19th and early-20th centuries listened to great pipe organs with a mixture of technological awe, local pride, and aesthetic rapture. Cities competed to buy the biggest and best. The steel baron Andrew Carnegie, famous as the benefactor of city libraries, also gave millions for municipal organs. Community fund drives were organized to buy instruments made by the most prestigious manufacturers and played by the most famous musicians. When the preeminent organ maker Ernest Skinner installed a new instrument in Cleveland in 1922 — "The Finest Musical Instrument ever built by man," ads said — a crowd of some 20,000 swept past police to squeeze into an arena built to hold only 13,000. (The show went on as planned.) The richest Americans had genuine pipe organs installed in their homes, and a new industry grew up to provide humbler home organs for the middle class.

For many years before the Columbian Exposition of 1893, Henry Simmons Frieze, professor of Latin and three times the University's interim president, had argued for the installation of a first-class organ on the campus. Frieze was the progenitor of Michigan's musical tradition. A fine amateur organist, pianist, and conductor, he launched student bands and choral clubs and introduced organ music to the daily chapel services. He persuaded the Regents to appoint the first professor of music. He was the principal founder of the University Musical Society (UMS), which was to make Ann Arbor a national center of fine music.

Frieze believed the shared experience of music was essential to a liberal education and to community life, and students agreed. In 1874, student journalists proposed a scheme by which a fine organ could pay for itself in six months through the sale of 10-cent tickets to all those who couldn't afford a piano in their homes.

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"Music," they wrote, "good refining music, at a low price, is what the thousand homeless students and the poor people of this city are craving, and they will gratefully acknowledge as a benefactor whoever will furnish it to them."



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This extract is from an article entitled "The Great Pipe Organ," written by James Tobin, published online on May 12, 2010. It appears courtesy of the online alumni magazine Michigan Today (www.michigantoday.umich.edu).

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Tu es Petrus (2010) James MacMillan

Born July 16, 1959 in Kilwinning, Scotland

#### SNAPSHOTS OF HISTORY...IN 2010:

- Conservative David Cameron defeats Gordon Brown of the Labour Party and becomes Prime Minister of the United Kingdom
- Colin Firth stars as George VI in The King's Speech
- Catastrophic oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico
- · Mario Vargas Llosa wins the Nobel Prize for literature
- The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration declares 2010 to be one of the hottest years on record

Text and Translation (Matthew 16:18)

Tu es Petrus et super hanc petram ædificabo ecclesiam meam et portæ inferi non prævalebunt adversus eam. Et tibi dabo claves regni cælorum.

You are Peter, and upon this Rock I will build My Church, and the gates of hell shall not overcome it. And I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven.

The words with which Jesus Christ chose Peter as His successor and the founder of His Church, as recorded in the Gospel of St. Matthew, have resonated with composers since the 15th century; some of the best-known settings are by Palestrina, Victoria, and Byrd. In the 19th century, Gabriel Fauré wrote a beautiful motet on this text. Thus Scottish composer James MacMillan, in choosing this famous passage for a very special occasion, followed in the footsteps of many venerable predecessors. The special occasion was none other than the Mass celebrated by Pope Benedict XVI on September 18, 2010 at London's Westminster Cathedral.

Throughout his career, MacMillan has found inspiration both from his Catholic faith and the music in which that faith had found expression through the ages. In this brief work, originally performed as an Introit at the beginning of the Pontifical Mass, MacMillan combined a melismatic vocal style, ultimately originating in Gregorian chant, with a more angular kind of instrumental writing. The work pointedly begins with a descending major seventh, an interval that was emphasized in many different styles of 20th-century music. British composer and choral conductor Paul Spicer has

written on the website of MacMillan's publisher Boosey & Hawkes: "The feel of the music...is of a darker hue — maybe a reflection of the weight of responsibility surrounding the Pontiff, maybe a reflection of the dark secular times in which we live. Who knows?"

Toccata and Fugue in d minor, BWV 565 (before 1708, arr. 1926) Johann Sebastian Bach

Born March 21, 1685 in Eisenach, Germany Died July 28, 1750 in Leipzig

Arr. Leopold Stokowski Born April 18, 1882 in London, England Died September 13, 1977 in Nether Wallop, Hampshire

#### SNAPSHOTS OF HISTORY...IN 1926:

- First performances of: Amériques (Varèse, conducted by Stokowski), The Miraculous Mandarin (Bartók), Sinfonietta (Janàček), Symphony No.1 (Shostakovich)
- First publications of: The Castle (Kafka), Winnie the-Pooh (A. A. Milne), The Sun Also Rises (Hemingway)
- New works of visual art: Cirque Calder (Calder), Yellow Odalisque (Matisse), Artist and His Model (Picasso)
- · The famous US Route 66 opens for traffic
- Benito Mussolini turns Italy into a totalitarian state and survives several assassination attempts

Anyone who has ever seen Walt Disney's Fantasia is unlikely to ever forget Leopold Stokowski, in the role of the flamboyant maestro, conducting his own arrangement of Bach's Toccata and Fugue in d minor. Stokowski, who was flamboyant enough in real life, wanted to re-create Bach's organ sound making use of the full colors of the modern symphony orchestra. He had played the organ himself as a young man, and brought his early experiences to bear on the orchestration, cultivating a lush late-Romantic sound that accentuated what

one might call Bach's Romantic side.

The d-minor Toccata and Fugue is certainly one of Bach's most extravagant compositions. There was even a time when some experts doubted Bach's authorship, in part because of its highly atypical nature. Most scholars now agree, however, that it is genuine Bach, most likely a product of the composer's early twenties.

The Toccata section astonishes by the abrupt and wholly unpredictable alternation of chords, passagework, and scales. The Fugue is one of the least contrapuntal of all of Bach's fugues: the voices have very little independence and function mainly as harmonic parts. There are also toccata-like, virtuosic elements that are otherwise unheard-of in fugues. In another unusual move, the piece ends with a return to the free rhythm of the opening toccata.

This extraordinary piece has always been popular by organists. There have also been several attempts to transcribe it for orchestra, though Stokowski's version, which the conductor first introduced with the Philadelphia Orchestra on February 8, 1926, is the only one to have become universally known. The advent of the "historical" movement in early music performance, which favors original versions and authentic practices, has done little to diminish its universal appeal.

#### Toccata Festiva for Organ and Orchestra, Op. 36 (1960)

Samuel Barber

Born March 9, 1910 in West Chester, Pennsylvania Died January 23, 1981 in New York, New York

#### SNAPSHOTS OF HISTORY...IN 1960:

- John F. Kennedy is elected President of the U.S.
- Krzysztof Penderecki writes Threnody for the Victims of Hiroshima
- Harper Lee's To Kill a Mockingbird is published
- Jack Lemmon and Shirley MacLaine star in Billy Wilder's film The Apartment
- Don Walsh and Jacques Piccard reach the bottom of the Mariana Trench in the West Pacific, the deepest point in the world's oceans (35,814 feet)

This second toccata, like the one we just heard, involves the organ and boasts a Philadelphia connection. Its story began with a phone call. Mary Curtis Bok Zimbalist, the legendary philanthropist who had founded the Curtis Institute of Music in 1924, rang Eugene Ormandy, the music director of the Philadelphia Orchestra, about three and a half decades later. "Eugene, are you standing?" she reportedly asked the conductor. "Please sit down, I'm giving you that pipe organ you've been longing for." To Ormandy's question, "Do you know how much it will cost?" Mrs. Zimbalist simply replied, "Don't worry about that."

The organ, built by the Aeolian-Skinner Company of Boston (the same company that built Hill Auditorium's Frieze Memorial Organ), ended up costing \$150,000. For its dedication, Mrs. Zimbalist turned to her old friend Samuel Barber, who had been one of the very first students at Curtis, to compose a new work for organ and orchestra. (As Mrs. Zimbalist's daughter-in-law Nellie Bok later recalled, the 14-year-old Barber had been the second person to walk through the newly-opened doors of the Institute.) Barber did not accept a fee for his work, which he completed in the spring of 1960, a few months before the scheduled premiere.

Toccata festiva, written to display the wide expressive range of the new instrument, as well as the virtuosity of the Philadelphia Orchestra, is built around the transformations of a single theme, first introduced by the brass right after a brief introductory flourish. This theme, taken up by the organ as well as various orchestral instruments, sounds in turn fanfare-like, lyrical, playful, and grandiose. Its frequent recurrences unify a piece that otherwise contains great contrasts in tempo, dynamics, and sound color.

There are two extended organ solos, the first a lyrical passage, much of it over a single long-held pedal tone, and the second a cadenza for pedal only. The program book for the first performance notes that this cadenza was written with the cooperation of Barber's friend Thomas Schippers, the eminent conductor who was also an accomplished organist. The cadenza adds a great deal of brilliance to a work that, originally written to celebrate a single joyous occasion, has gone on to earn a permanent place in the organ repertory.

Program notes by Peter Laki.

### Gospel Preludes, Book 4 (excerpt)

(1979 - 1984)

William Bolcom

Born May 26, 1938 in Seattle, Washington

#### SNAPSHOTS OF HISTORY...IN 1984:

- The Apple Macintosh computer is introduced
- The Chicago White Sox defeat the Milwaukee Brewers 7-6 in the longest game in Major League Baseball history, played in 25 innings totaling eight hours and six minutes
- The Summer Olympic Games are held in Los Angeles, California
- US President Ronald Reagan is reelected for his second term, carrying 49 of 50 states in electoral votes
- Leonard Bernstein conducts the Vienna Philharmonic in two performances at Hill Auditorium; the Takács Quartet makes its UMS debut at Rackham Auditorium two weeks later

"Free Fantasia on 'O Zion, Haste' and 'How Firm a Foundation" is the last of William Bolcom's 12 Gospel Preludes (1979-1984). Fragments of the hymn "O Zion, Haste" rise from an atonal haze, then give way to a rousing gospel setting of "How Firm a Foundation." This is one of over 75 new works for organ commissioned by Marilyn Mason, who is professor of organ, university organist, and cochair of the organ department at the University of Michigan. William Bolcom writes, "This past century has seen an enormous growth in challenging new organ music, and one of the very, very most influential virtuosi and proponents of new organ music alive is Marilyn Mason. She has encouraged so much new music from so many composers, and I especially thank her for her extensive performances and insightful teaching of my own music. She has commissioned several of my most important organ works and has always championed them, and this is precious to a composer."

Program note by James Kibbie.

#### Symphony No. 3 in C Major

("Symphony-Poem") (1947) Aram Khachaturian

Born June 6, 1903 in Tiflis, Russian Empire (now Tbilisi, Georgia) Died May 1, 1978 in Moscow

#### SNAPSHOTS OF HISTORY...IN 1947:

- · Major famine in the Soviet Union
- The Cold War begins
- India becomes independent from Great Britain and is partitioned into the republics of India and Pakistan
- Tennessee Williams's A Streetcar Named Desire opens on Broadway
- Samuel Barber writes Knoxville: Summer of 1915

In revisiting music written for an anniversary of the Bolshevik revolution

20 years after the demise of the Soviet Union, we must attempt what contemporaries were never able, nor indeed allowed, to do, namely dissociate this music from its original political context. Music written to express Communist ideology as mandated by the Party is suddenly being contemplated on its own, and it is certainly a sign of artistic greatness if the composition can hold its own under the new circumstances.

Aram Khachaturian occupied a very special place among Soviet composers. An Armenian born in Georgia, he was, in the eyes of the establishment, living proof for the viability of new music, accessible to the masses and based on the rich ethnic traditions of the multinational USSR. A late bloomer who didn't start his musical studies until he arrived in Moscow at the age of 18, he was entirely a product of the Soviet educational system and, thanks to his uncommon gifts, quickly rose to prominence with works like his engaging Violin Concerto and the irresistible ballet Gayaneh, which contains the famous "Sabre Dance." By 1945, he could be photographed next to Prokofiev and Shostakovich as a member of the great triumvirate of Soviet Music.

It was not surprising that he should have been commissioned to write a big piece to honor the 30th anniversary of the Great October Socialist Revolution, as the Bolshevik coup was officially called. Yet as British musicologist David Nice has written: "Khachaturian may have described his Third Symphony, subtitled Symphony-Poem, 'apotheosis of joy and confidence in the future, a hymn to labor,' but in its own, deliberately bludgeoning way, it continually undermines that sense of confidence as surely as the terrifying finale of Prokofiev's Sixth Symphony (both works received their Moscow premieres at the same concert on December 25, 1947)."

The ambivalence of the work must not have been lost on the Soviet authorities, for barely six weeks after the premiere, on February 10, 1948, the Central Committee of the Soviet Communist Party issued a resolution denouncing Khachaturian, along with Prokofiev, Shostakovich, and others, for "formalist" tendencies present in their music. This was a devastatingly brutal attack from which only Shostakovich ever managed to recover. Prokofiev died five years later, a broken man, and Khachaturian retreated into writing little but film scores and incidental music for plays during the last 30 years of his life (his second ballet, Spartacus, was his only important work from this long period).

In a sense, the Symphony-Poem reenacts the classic darkness-to-light scenario, where the ambivalent opening with its unsettling bitonal harmonies,

soon gives way to a broad lyrical melody and finally to the apotheosis, mentioned in the composer's remarks quoted above. The Great Hall of the Tchaikovsky Conservatory in Moscow boasts a magnificent organ by the great French organ builder Aristide Cavaillé-Coll from the year 1899, an instrument of which Khachaturian made spectacular use in the piece. In addition, the score requires an astounding 15 extra trumpets, placed on a special platform. The composer clearly didn't hold anything back here; he took his mandate to express the officially-mandated optimism extremely seriously. It was that seriousness and honesty that led him to make some moves that were risky in 1947, but it is thanks to those same moves that the work stands today as a remarkable musical monument of its time

Program note by Peter Laki.

#### ARTISTS

nternationally acclaimed American conductor **LEONARD SLATKIN** began his tenure as Music Director of the Detroit Symphony Orchestra

Photo: Don aid Dietz/DSO

(DSO) in September 2008. In addition to his post at the DSO, he serves as Music Director of the Orchestre National de Lyon (ONL),

France, an appointment which began in August 2011. He is also Principal Guest Conductor of the Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra, a post that began in the Fall 2008, and is the author of a new book entitled *Conducting Business*.

Following a 17-year appointment as Music Director of the St. Louis Symphony Orchestra, Maestro Slatkin became Music Director of the National Symphony Orchestra in Washington, DC in 1996. Other positions in the US have included Principal Guest Conductor of the Minnesota Orchestra, where he founded their Sommerfest; first Music Director of the Cleveland Orchestra's summer series at the Blossom Music Festival, an appointment he held for nine years; Principal Guest Conductor of the Los Angeles Philharmonic Orchestra at the Hollywood Bowl for three seasons; and additional positions with the New Orleans Philharmonic and the Nashville Symphony Orchestra. In Great Britain. he served as Principal Guest Conductor of both the Philharmonia Orchestra of London and the Royal Philharmonic, and was also Chief Conductor of the BBC Symphony Orchestra.

Leonard Slatkin's more than 100 recordings have been recognized with seven Grammy Awards and 64 nominations. He has recorded with the symphony orchestras of Detroit, St. Louis, Nashville, and Chicago, as well as the New York Philharmonic, the Minnesota Orchestra, the National Symphony Orchestra, and all of the major London orchestras, as well as those in Munich, Paris, Lyon, Prague, Stockholm, and Berlin.

Throughout his career, Maestro Slatkin has demonstrated a continuing commitment to arts education and to reaching diverse audiences. He was the founder, and for nine seasons director, of the National Conducting Institute, an advanced career development program for rising conductors. Maestro Slatkin also founded the St. Louis Symphony Youth Orchestra, and he continues to work with student orchestras throughout the world.

Born in Los Angeles to distinguished musical family, parents were the conductor-violinist Felix Slatkin and cellist Eleanor Aller, founding members of the famed Hollywood String Quartet. Maestro Slatkin began his musical studies on the violin and studied conducting with his father, followed by Walter Susskind at Aspen and Jean Morel at The Juilliard School. He is the proud parent of a son, Daniel, who attends the University of Southern California. He is married to composer Cindy McTee, and they reside in Bloomfield Hills, Michigan.

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Court Organist of the Wanamaker Organ in Macy's, Center City, Philadelphia. He was appointed Grand Court Organist in 1989, and is the fourth person to hold that title since 1911.

Mr. Conte is highly regarded as a skillful performer and arranger of organ transcriptions. He has been featured several times on National Public Radio and on ABC television's Good Morning America and World News Tonight. He performs extensively throughout the



US and Canada and was a featured artist at the American Guild of Organists' National Convention in 2002, and at the International Organ

Festival in Aosta, Italy, in September 2004. He has performed with the

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Philadelphia Orchestra, Peter Nero and the Philly Pops, and with the Pacific, Delaware, and Allentown symphonies. In September 2008, he was soloist for an historic collaboration of the Philadelphia Orchestra and the Wanamaker Organ, performing Jongen's Sumphonie Concertante in the Wanamaker Grand Court.

Mr. Conte also serves as choirmaster and organist of St. Clement's Church, Philadelphia, where he directs a 16-voice professional choir in music of the Anglo-Catholic tradition. The choir has recorded several internationallyacclaimed CDs on the Dorian label.

Peter Richard Conte is an associate of the American Guild of Organists, and has presented Guild workshops on transcriptions and improvisation. He is the 2008 recipient of the Distinguished Alumni Award from the Indiana University School of Music in Bloomington. His numerous recordings appear on the Gothic, Dorian, and JAV labels.

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Mr. Higgs performs, teaches, and adjudicates at festivals and competitions throughout the world, including the International Organ Festivals and Competitions of Bremen, Germany; the Leipzig Bach Competition, Germany; Calgary, Canada; Dublin, Ireland: Odense, Denmark: Redlands and San Anselmo, California; and the Gilmore International Keyboard Festival. In England he has appeared several times at the Oundle International Festival and Organ Academy, the St. Albans International Festival and Competition, and the Cambridge Summer Festival. He has recorded for Delos International, Pro Organo, Arsis, Loft, and Gothic records.

**AMES KIBBIE** is professor of organ at the University of Michigan. He also maintains a full schedule of concert, recording, and festival engagementsthroughout North America and Europe, including appearances at the Cathedral of Notre Dame in Paris, Royal Festival Hall in London, Dvořák Hall in Prague, and Lincoln



Center in New York. During his monthlong concert tour of the Soviet Union in 1991, Pravda hailed him as "a marvelous organist, a brilliant

interpreter." A frequent jury member of international organ competitions, he has himself been awarded the Grand Prix d'Interprétation at the prestigious International Organ Competition of Chartres, France, and is also the only American to have won the International Organ Competition of the Prague Spring Festival in the former Czechoslovakia.

Mr. Kibbie's performances have been broadcast on radio and television in the US, Canada, and Europe. His recordings in North America and Europe include discs of music by Bach, Alain, Tournemire, Sowande, Morrison, and contemporary Czech composers, as well as the CD Merrily on Hill, performed on the Frieze Memorial Organ in Hill Auditorium. His recent recordings of the complete Bach works on historic baroque organs in Germany have been welcomed with enthusiastic critical and audience

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Mr. Kibbie's students perform frequently in concerts, competitions, and workshops in the US and abroad. His former students hold key positions in college teaching and church music nationally. Among the honors he has received, Mr. Kibbie is particularly proud of the James Kibbie Scholarship, endowed in perpetuity by the University of Michigan to support students majoring in organ performance and church music.

For biographies of Jerry Blackstone and the UMS Choral Union, please refer to pages 13 and 17, respectively, in this program book.

For a complete roster of the UMS Choral Union, please refer to pages 20-21.



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This evening's performance marks the Detroit Symphony Orchestra's 81st performance under UMS auspices following its UMS debut in November 1919 at Hill Auditorium. The DSO last appeared at UMS in March 2008, in a performance of Bach's St. Matthew Passion conducted by Jerry Blackstone with the UMS Choral Union and vocal soloists.

Maestro Leonard Slatkin makes his fourth UMS appearance this evening. Maestro Slatkin made his UMS debut in April 1989 with the St. Louis Symphony at Hill Auditorium, and most recently appeared under UMS auspices at Hill Auditorium in April 2004 conducting William Bolcom's Songs of Innocence and of Experience with the UMS Choral Union and U-M School of Music, Theatre & Dance choral ensembles and orchestras. The recording of this performance won four Grammy Awards.

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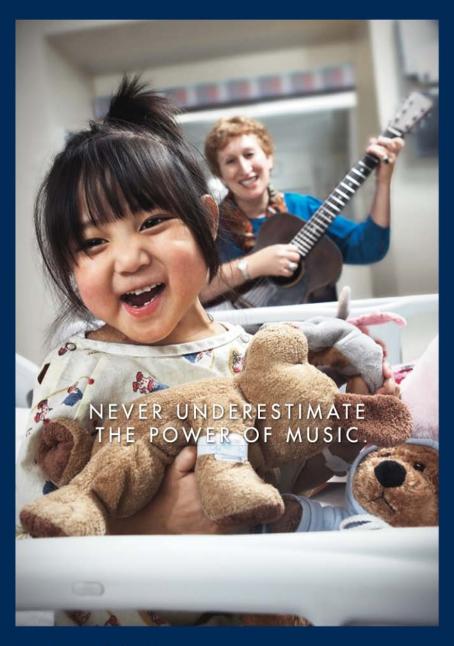
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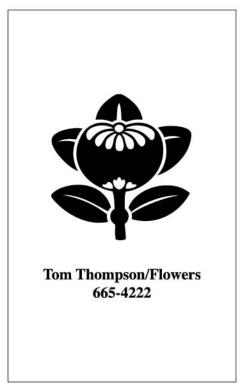


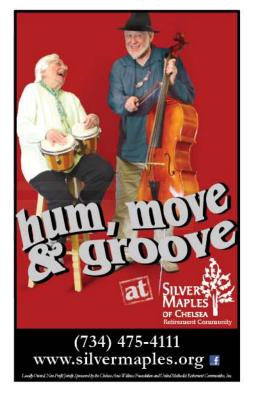
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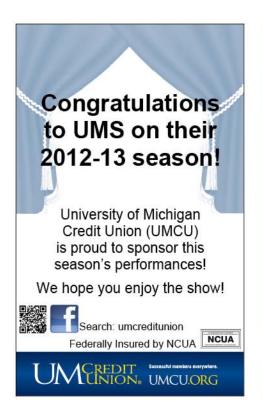
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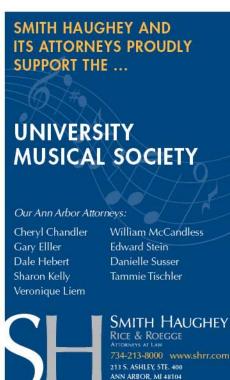
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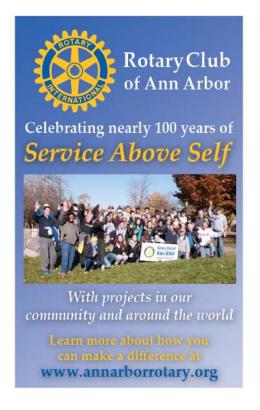
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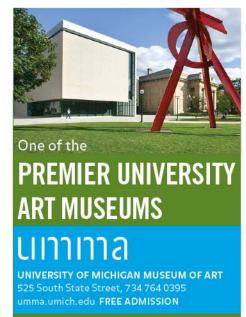
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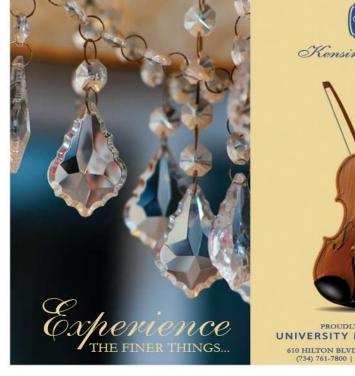
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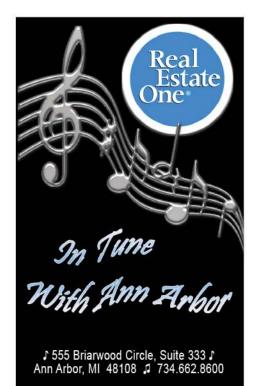


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