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WINTER 2013 | UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN, ANN ARBOR



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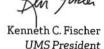
WELCOME.

"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 centenary of Hill Auditorium, and an amazing array of events that we hope will transform, elevate, and transcend, this 134th season of UMS is something truly special. Thank you for being present."

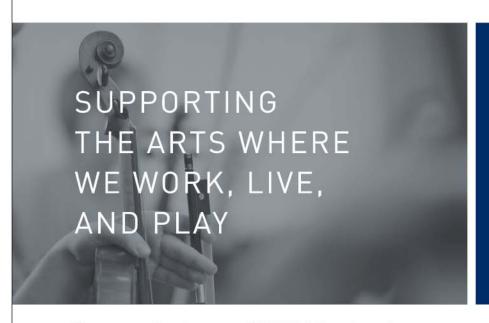




"I'm delighted to welcome you to this UMS performance as chair of the UMS Board of Directors. We thank you for being here and encourage you to get even more involved with UMS through participation in our educational opportunities, by making a gift, or by adding more UMS events to your calendar. Thank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

David J. Herzig Chair, UMS Board of Directors





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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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	17-18	Gabriel Kahane & yMusic
	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
FEB	1	Angélique Kidjo with special guest Meklit Hadero
	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
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	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

New York Philharmonic - Alan Gilbert, conductor



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

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Artists, programs, and dates are subject to change.

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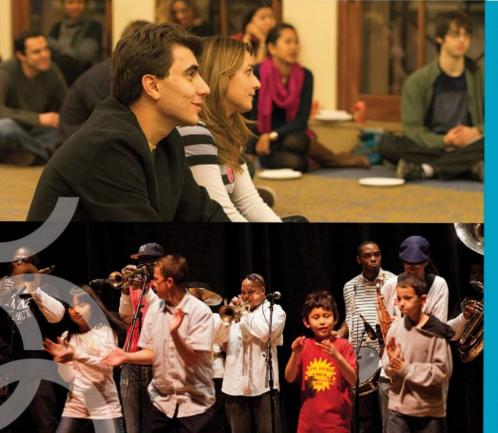




EDUCATION EXPERIENCES FOR EVERYONE

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 continue to strengthen 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 and educational activities commemorating 100 years of Hill Auditorium throughout the season, including UMS's Hill Auditorium Celebration, a free day-long exploration of Ann Arbor's most beloved concert venue on Saturday, February 2.

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.



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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.

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"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."



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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."



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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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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."





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"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!"

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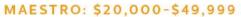
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We know that everyone enjoys the performance experience in different ways, so we encourage you to think about making choices when you enter the theater that allow you to be present, leave the worries of the day outside, and prepare to receive what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

PRELUDE DINNERS

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 a UMS Choral Union event and please consider bringing cough drops with you to our other events.
- 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.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 31 THROUGH FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2013

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Thursday, January 31, 7:30 pm Hill Auditorium

07 ANGÉLIQUE KIDJO WITH SPECIAL GUEST MEKLIT HADERO

Friday, February 1, 8:00 pm Hill Auditorium

11 NEW CENTURY CHAMBER ORCHESTRA WITH NADJA SALERNO-SONNENBERG

Saturday, February 2, 8:00 pm Rackham Auditorium

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Saturday, February 9, 8:00 pm Rackham Auditorium

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Thursday, February 14, 7:30 pm St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church

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Friday, February 15, 8:00 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.



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Saturday, April 6, 8 pm Michigan Theater

Leo Genovese, Piano Lyndon Rochelle, Drums

Jef Lee Johnson, Guitar
Jeff Galindo and Corey King, Trombones
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Walter Blanding, Tenor and Soprano Saxophones, Clarinet
Victor Goines, Tenor and Soprano Saxophones, B-flat and Bass Clarinets
Paul Nedzela, Baritone and Soprano Saxophones, Bass Clarinet
Dan Nimmer, Piano
Carlos Henriquez, Bass
Ali Jackson, Drums

Thursday Evening, January 31, 2013 at 7:30 Hill Auditorium • Ann Arbor

37th Performance of the 134th Annual Season 19th Annual Jazz Series

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25th Anniversary Tour

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- American pianist, composer, and big-band leader Edward Kennedy "Duke" Ellington referred to his compositions as "American Music" rather than jazz.
- Throughout tonight's concert, individual JLCO musicians (including Mr. Marsalis) will solo over composed (i.e. written) arrangements, creating new melodies and rhythms in the spur of the moment. This is called "improvisation" and takes a lifetime of musical training, practice, and experience to master.
- JLCO drummer Ali Jackson, a Detroit native and Cass Technical High School alum, was recently a featured guest artist on UMS's From Cass Corridor to the World MLK Day concert at Hill Auditorium.
- Many of the JLCO saxophonists featured in tonight's concert have the proficiency to "double" on other woodwind instruments including flute and clarinet.

the Russian National Orchestra, the Philharmonic Orchestra, Berlin The JAZZ AT LINCOLN Boston, Chicago, and London Symphony CENTER ORCHESTRA (JLCO), Orchestras, and the Orchestra comprising 15 of the finest jazz Esperimentale in São Paolo, Brazil. The soloists and ensemble players today, JLCO has also been featured in several has been the Jazz at Lincoln Center education and performance residencies in the last few years, including those in resident orchestra since 1988. Featured in all aspects of Jazz at Lincoln Center's France, Italy, Czech Republic, England, programming, this remarkably versatile orchestra performs and leads educational events in New York, across the US, and around the globe; in concert halls, dance venues, jazz clubs, and public parks; and with symphony orchestras, ballet troupes,

roster of guest artists. Education is a major part of Jazz at Lincoln Center's mission and its educational activities are coordinated with concert and Jazz at Lincoln Center Orchestra tour programming. These programs, many of which feature Jazz at Lincoln Center Orchestra members, include the celebrated Jazz for Young People concert series, the Essentially Ellington High School Jazz Competition and Festival, the Jazz for Young People Curriculum, educational residencies, workshops, and concerts for both students and adults worldwide. Jazz at Lincoln Center educational programs reach over 110,000 students, teachers, and general audience members.

local students, and an ever-expanding

Music Director Wynton Under Marsalis, the Jazz at Lincoln Center Orchestra spends over a third of the year on tour. The big band performs a vast repertoire, from rare historic compositions to Jazz at Lincoln Centercommissioned works, including compositions and arrangements by Duke Ellington, Count Basie, Fletcher Henderson, Thelonious Monk, Mary Lou Williams, Billy Strayhorn, Dizzy Gillespie, Benny Goodman, and Charles Mingus. Guest conductors have included Benny Carter, John Lewis, Jimmy Heath, Chico O'Farrill, Paquito D'Rivera, Jon Faddis, Robert Sadin, David Berger, and Gerald Wilson.

Over the last few years, the Jazz at Lincoln Center Orchestra has performed collaborations with many of the world's leading symphony orchestras, Switzerland, Germany, Brazil, and Japan. Television broadcasts of Jazz at Lincoln Center programs have helped broaden the awareness of its unique efforts in music. Jazz at Lincoln Center has appeared on several XM Satellite Radio live broadcasts and eight Live From Lincoln Center broadcasts, carried by PBS stations nationwide: including a program which aired on October 18, 2004 during the grand opening of Jazz at Lincoln Center's new home, Frederick P. Rose Hall and in September 2005 during Jazz at Lincoln Center's Higher Ground Benefit Concert. To date, 14 recordings featuring the Jazz at Lincoln Center Orchestra with Wynton Marsalis have been released and internationally distributed, the most recent of which being Vitoria Suite (2010), Portrait in Seven Shades (2010), and

including the New York Philharmonic,

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Congo Square (2007).

MARSALIS, YNTON Managing and Director of Jazz at Lincoln Center, was born in New Orleans in 1961. Mr. Marsalis began his classical training on trumpet at age 12 and soon began playing in local bands of diverse genres. He entered The Juilliard School at age 17 and joined Art Blakey and the Jazz Messengers. Mr. Marsalis made his recording debut as a leader in 1982, and has since recorded more than 70 jazz and classical albums which have garnered him nine Grammy Awards. In 1983, he became the first and only artist to win both classical and jazz Grammy Awards in the same year, and he repeated this feat in 1984.

In 1997, Mr. Marsalis became the first jazz artist to be awarded the Pulitzer Prize in music for his oratorio Blood on

the Fields, which was commissioned by Jazz at Lincoln Center. To mark the 200th Anniversary of Harlem's historical Abyssinian Baptist Church in 2008, Mr. Marsalis composed a full mass for choir and jazz orchestra. The piece premiered at Jazz at Lincoln Center and followed with performances at the celebrated church. Mr. Marsalis composed his second symphony, Blues Symphony, which was premiered in 2009 by the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra and was performed again by the Boston Symphony Orchestra in 2010. In 2010, Mr. Marsalis premiered his third symphony, Swing Symphony, a co-commission by the New York Philharmonic, Berlin Philharmonic, Los Angeles Philharmonic, and The Barbican Centre. The Jazz at Lincoln Center Orchestra with Wynton Marsalis performed the piece with the Berliner Philharmoniker in Berlin in 2010, with the New York Philharmonic in New York City in 2010, and with the Los Angeles Philharmonic in Los Angeles in 2011.

Mr. Marsalis is also internationally respected teacher and spokesman for music education, and has received honorary doctorates from dozens of universities and colleges throughout the US. He conducts educational programs for students of all ages and hosts the popular Jazz for Young People concerts produced by Jazz at Lincoln Center. Mr. Marsalis has also written and is the host of the video series Marsalis on Music and the radio series Making the Music. He has written six books: Sweet Swing Blues on the Road in collaboration with photographer Frank Stewart; Jazz in

the Bittersweet Blues of Life with Carl Vigeland; To a Young Musician: Letters from the Road with Selwyn Seyfu Hinds; Moving to Higher Ground: How Jazz Can Change Your Life with Geoffrey C. Ward, published by Random House in 2008; and Squeak, Rumble, Whomp! Whomp! Whomp! Whomp! illustrated by poster artist Paul Rogers and published in 2012. In October 2005, Candlewick Press released Mr. Marsalis' Jazz ABZ: An A to Z Collection of Jazz Portraits of 26 poems celebrating jazz greats, illustrated by Mr. Rogers.

In 2001, Mr. Marsalis was appointed Messenger of Peace by Mr. Kofi Annan, Secretary-General of the United Nations, and he has also been designated cultural ambassador to the United States of America by the US State Department through their CultureConnect program. In 2009. Mr. Marsalis was awarded France's Legion of Honor, the highest honor bestowed by their government. He has also been named to the Bring New Orleans Back Commission, former New Orleans Mayor C. Ray Nagin's initiative to help rebuild New Orleans culturally, socially, economically, and uniquely for every citizen. Mr. Marsalis was instrumental in the Higher Ground Hurricane Relief concert, produced by Jazz at Lincoln Center, which raised over \$3 million for the Higher Ground Relief Fund.

Mr. Marsalis led the effort to construct Jazz at Lincoln Center's new home, Frederick P. Rose Hall, which opened in October 2004, the first education, performance, and broadcast facility devoted to jazz, which Mr. Marsalis co-founded in 1989.



UMS ARCHIVES

This evening's concert marks Jazz at Lincoln Center Orchestra's 14th UMS appearance since the Orchestra's UMS debut in February 1994.

Wynton Marsalis makes his 16th appearance under UMS auspices, both with the Orchestra and in other ensemble configurations, including a February 1997 presentation of his Pulitzer Prize-winning oratorio, *Blood on the Fields*, at Hill Auditorium. Mr. Marsalis made his UMS debut in January 1996 with the Lincoln Center Jazz Orchestra Octet. The Orchestra and Mr. Marsalis last appeared at Hill Auditorium in February 2012.



Angélique Kidjo, Vocals Dominic James, Guitar Magatte Sow, Percussion Itaiguara Brandao, Bass Yayo Serka, Drums

with special guest

Meklit Hadero

Vocals and Guitar

featuring
Darren Johnston, Trumpet
Evan Flory Barnes, Bass
Darrell Green, Drums

Friday Evening, February 1, 2013 at 8:00 Hill Auditorium • Ann Arbor

38th Performance of the 134th Annual Season Global Music Series

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PROGRAM

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

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Ms. Kidjo appears by arrangement with International Music Network.

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- Ms. Kidjo is fluent in and sings in four languages: Fon (spoken mainly in Benin), French, Yorùbá (spoken in West Africa), and English. She also sings in her own personal language.
- Benin is a country in West Africa bordered by Togo, Nigeria, Burkina Faso, and Niger.
- Ms. Kidjo founded The Batonga Foundation, named after one of her songs, to support secondary school and higher education for girls in Africa.
- Meklit Hadero was born in Ethiopia and grew up in Iowa, New York, and Florida.

eninese singer ANGÉLIQUE KIDJO is one of the greatest forces in African music today. She is renowned for highenergy performances and a dynamic, uplifting style that fuses the music of her homeland with Western influences. The Guardian has listed her as one of the "Top 100 Most Inspiring Women in the World." Forbes includes her in their list of "Africa's 40 Most Powerful Celebrities," and the BBC places her among "Africa's Most Iconic Figures." She was recently the recipient of the UN's prestigious "Champion of the Earth" award and was honored by the French government with the Insignia of the Order of Arts and Letters.

To date. Ms. Kidio has released 12 albums including the Grammy Award-winning Djin Djin. PBS recently premiered the highly anticipated Angélique Kidjo and Friends: Spirit Rising, a 90-minute live concert special and CD/DVD taped at the WGBH Studios. The resulting 16-track album features special guests Josh Groban, Dianne Reeves, Branford Marsalis, Richard Bona, and Ezra Koenig (Vampire Weekend). Spirit Rising showcases Ms. Kidjo's breathtaking voice and exuberant spirit that can only be fully appreciated during one of her magical live performances.

Porn in Ethiopia, raised in the US, and nurtured by San Francisco's richly diverse arts scene, MEKLIT HADERO embodies worlds. Joining her soul-filled phrasing to a songwriter's craft, her music's influences range wide — from

the jazz and soul favorites she grew up on; to the hip-hop and art-rock she loves; to folk traditions from the Americas and her forebears' East African home. Emerging from her adopted hometown of San Francisco, Ms. Hadero gained national attention with the 2010 release On a Day Like this... on Porto Franco Records. Her full-length debut announced the arrival, as the San Francisco Chronicle has put it, of "an artistic giant in the early stages." Born in Ethiopia in the early 1980s, Ms. Hadero grew up in Iowa, New York, and Florida. After studying political science at Yale, she moved to San Francisco and became



immersed in the city's thriving arts scene. Named a TED Global Fellow in 2009, Ms. Hadero has served as an artist-in-

residence at New York University, the De Young Museum, and the Red Poppy Art House. She has also completed musical commissions for the San Francisco Foundation and for theatrical productions staged by Brava! For Women in the Arts. She is the founder of the Arba Minch Collective, a group of Ethiopian artists in diaspora devoted to nurturing ties to their homeland through collaborating with both traditional and contemporary artists there.

UMS welcomes both Angélique Kidjo and Meklit Hadero, who make their UMS debuts this evening.

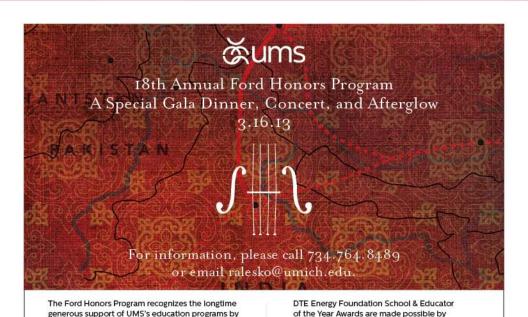
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Nadja Salerno-Sonnenberg

Music Director and Violin

Saturday Evening, February 2, 2013 at 8:00 Rackham Auditorium • Ann Arbor

39th Performance of the 134th Annual Season 50th Annual Chamber Arts Series

PROGRAM

Felix Mendelssohn String Symphony No. 10 in b minor

Adagio – Allegro

William Bolcom Romanza for Violin and String Orchestra

Romanza Valse Funèbre Cakewalk

Commissioned by and written for Nadja Salerno-Sonnenberg

MS. SALERNO-SONNENBERG

Heitor Villa-Lobos, Arr. Clarice Assad Bachianas Brasileiras No. 5 (excerpt)

Ária (Cantilena)

INTERMISSION

Richard Strauss Metamorphosen for 23 Solo Strings, Op. 142

Adagio ma non troppo — Agitato — Adagio, tempo primo

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NOW THAT YOU'RE IN YOUR SEAT...

Romanticism is less a style than it is a state of mind - or rather, a state of the heart where our feelings speak louder than our intellect. Whether we are listening to an adolescent genius learning to control his emotions with classical restraint, or to an octogenarian master looking back on his life with immense sadness, whether we are dreaming of J. S. Bach under the blazing Brazilian sun or singing a love song for the violin in 21st-century North America: our souls are touched by something that cannot quite be put into words - something, indeed, that is more powerful than words.

String Symphony No. 10 in b minor (1823)

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

SNAPSHOTS OF HISTORY...IN 1823:

- President lames Monroe introduces the Monroe Doctrine against colonization in North and South America
- · Beethoven completes his Missa solemnis
- · Rossini's Semiramide is first performed
- · The Lancet, one of the world's most prominent medical journals, is founded
- · William Sturgeon invents the first electromagnet

Mendelssohn's 12 string symphonies were first published in 1959, on the 150th anniversary of the composer's birth. Until then, their existence was barely known except to scholars. Now that they are readily available in print and on compact disc, we may have a much better grasp of how the young Mendelssohn's genius developed to the point where, at the age of 16, he was able to write the Octet for Strings, and, at 17, the Midsummer Night's Dream Overture - arguably some of the greatest music ever written by a teenager.

The road that led to these first peaks of Mendelssohn's creativity was marked by a body of work unsurpassed in scope and quality by any child prodigy in history (and that includes Mozart!). In addition to a large number of solo, chamber, and vocal works, Mendelssohn wrote no fewer than four concertos and 12 symphonies before his 15th birthday. His prodigious gifts were nurtured by an exceptionally well-rounded

education: his father, a wealthy banker, hired the best private tutors to teach his children, and hosted soirées attended by some of the greatest minds in Germany, including the naturalist Alexander von Humboldt the philosopher Friedrich Hegel, and others. The string symphonies may have been heard at these private gatherings, but Mendelssohn suppressed them upon reaching adulthood he regarded them as student works unworthy of public performance.

In a sense, these symphonies, scored for strings alone, are student works, but they obviously go far beyond what any teacher might reasonably expect from a pupil. Mendelssohn's teacher, Karl Zelter, was a long-time friend and musical advisor to Johann Wolfgang von Goethe, Germany's towering literary figure, whose poems he set to music in a simple style and to whom he eventually introduced his young student. Zelter's other claim to fame was the founding of the Berlin Singakademie, an institution devoted to the study and performance of the great choral works of the Baroque, especially those of Bach and Handel, Mendelssohn and his equally gifted sister Fanny became students there at an early age, and by the time he was 20, Felix directed the forces of the Singakademie in the first performances of Bach's St. Matthew Passion following decades of neglect. Zelter's teaching included a strong dose of Baroque counterpoint and a thorough study of the North German tradition as opposed to the Viennese classicism of Mozart and Beethoven, with which Mendelssohn had been familiar since early childhood.

The String Symphony No. 10 is set apart from the other string symphonies by the fact that it is in a single movement - an "Allegro" preceded by an "Adagio" introduction. Its scoring in five parts, with divided violas, is rather atypical for orchestral music and recalls Mozart's two-viola quintets. The symphony has the dark, dramatic character found in many minor-key works from the Classical era. The intense chromaticism of the introduction and the passionate first melody of the "Allegro" hark back to the Sturm und Drang ("storm and stress") style of the 1770s and 1780s. In 1816 - just a few years before Mendelssohn - the teenage Franz Schubert had also paid tribute to Sturm und Drang style in his Symphony No. 4, the so-called "Tragic." Schubert's and Mendelssohn's first themes even share a similar melodic outline, due not to any direct contact between the two composers, but rather to the common sources from which both were drawing.

It is hard to tell, however, exactly where the Sturm und Drang inspiration ends and Mendelssohn's emerging musical personality begins. Some of the cascading scales and triads sound like preparations for the similar passages in the Octet. A striking passage with parallel chords, first heard at the end of the introduction and repeated in the "Allegro," is a fascinating individual touch, as is the fact that in the recapitulation, a large portion of the lyrical second theme is given to the violas, with the violins silent. All in all, one cannot cease to marvel at the maturity and assurance of the young Mendelssohn, who at 14 had not only learned all that could be learned in music, but had also begun to make his own unique contribution.

Romanza for Violin and String Orchestra (2010)

William Bolcom Born May 26, 1938 in Seattle, Washington

SNAPSHOT OF HISTORY... IN 2010:

- Deepwater Horizon oil spill
- Colin Firth stars as King George VI in The King's Speech
- Hans Werner Henze's last opera, Giselal is premiered in Germany
- Mario Vargas Llosa receives the Nobel Prize for Literature
- The Burj Khalifa skyscraper, the tallest man-made structure to date (2,722 feet), is completed in Dubai, United Arab Emirates

William Bolcom, one of America's preeminent composers, was Featured Composer with the NCCO during the 2009–10 season. Among his works performed by the orchestra at that time was the brand-new Romanza for solo violin and string orchestra that Bolcom had composed for Nadja Salerno-Sonnenberg. The composer and the soloist had known each other for some years: Bolcom had written his third violin sonata for Ms. Salerno-Sonnenberg in 1992, and they premiered the work (which was called Sonata Stramba, or "Weird Sonata") together at the Aspen Festival in 1993.

The new work is different in every respect. As Bolcom explained in an interview in 2010, he wanted to write a "shamelessly Romantic" piece inspired by Schubert, Schumann, and Mendelssohn. Yet inspiration doesn't necessarily mean stylistic influence, and the Romanza, cast in the usual threemovement concerto form (fast-slow-fast), displays that effortless eclecticism for which Bolcom has long been known. The work opens like a true lyrical romance but before long. a more animated and passionate section arrives; the second half of the movement turns into an elfin scherzo that does hark back to Mendelssohn. Yet the scherzo concludes with a dramatic outburst where the fun is suddenly over; the lyrical opening then returns, followed by a more exuberant version of the scherzo music.

The slow movement begins as a "Valse funèbre" — in waltz rhythm but with a mysterious and unsettling melody played by the muted double basses. The mood loosens up somewhat in the second half of the movement, a sensual English waltz.

The second and third movements are connected by a capricious cadenza, which leads into the concluding "Cakewalk" in which Bolcom, one of the pioneers of the ragtime revival in the 1970s, indulges his great love for vernacular music — and does so with all the sophistication of a classical master.

A Conversation with Nadja Salerno-Sonnenberg and William Bolcom

On the genesis of Romanza:

NSS: When I started the Featured Composer Program for NCCO, Bill was always there in my mind. It was just a question of seeing if he would be available, and thankfully he was. I told him that he could write anything, absolutely anything for us. He said he wanted to write me a concerto. I said, "Are you sure? Because it really doesn't have to be for me. You can write a trombone concerto if that's what you've got in your head right now. You can write a symphony for the orchestra, anything but a violin concerto." And he said, "Why are you saying this?" And I said "Because I'm going to have to LEARN your piece!" And he laughed and said "Poor Nadja!" From that point on, I had absolutely nothing to do with how Romanza came to be. Bill told me it was already written in his head and all he needed to do was put it down on paper. You know, Bill still writes his music with pen and paper?? Not a computer. I think that's fantastic really...until you get the music and have to learn it - with his handwriting!

WB: I didn't want a usual concerto. This is why I've liked serenades, divertimenti, and all the forms that allow soloists in other roles than the usual soloist vs. orchestra one. There is some virtuosity for the soloist in Romanza, but that is not the point of the piece. It seems to be for me rather the emotional climate that the piece generates; it's not as antivirtuosic as, say Berlioz's Harold in Italy, but the soloist is more an actor in a play than the usual concerto's technically brilliant hero vs. enormous orchestral forces, against which he/she prevails, of course. In Romanza maybe the soloist doesn't prevail. It's a sweet-sad ending, but still wins in a non-heroic way. At least I feel that way about the piece.

On the challenges of Romanza:

NSS: For me the most challenging part of learning a contemporary work is "getting it." No one has played it before; you have nothing to refer to. You have not heard what it sounds like with the orchestra or even a piano reduction. You are out in the cold. And when I learn a piece, so, so many of my decisions technically are based on what I want to do

musically. So in essence I learn the notes and figure it out as best as I can, and then later I really have to just relearn the piece.

WB: The piece is powered by a sort of tension between direct lyricism and something darker. You get directly appealing, I hope, musical ideas with something hidden and mysterious behind them.

On the style of Romanza:

NSS: Well I think that since Bill knew he was writing this piece for me to perform, he probably infused it somewhat with how he hears me as a player. It's always incredibly interesting to see how people think of you as a performer.

WB: As I look at it again I realize I'm touching on the early Romantics stylistically without ever really sounding like them. But Nadja is a bold performer who for me invokes the grand style, so I thought this musical world of grand gestures would be terrific for her; the idiom is heated rather than dispassionate, joyful, and desolate at once, full of emotional extremes, which ought to be fun for her.

On working with each other:

NSS: I have always, always loved Bill's music. I think mostly because it is so incredibly varied. He has a spectacular spectrum of styles, colors, intricacies, and emotions. His music is emotional, for me at least, and that is what I react to it so strongly. When I met him, I was shocked at how genuine a guy he was. He could not have been more warm, enthusiastic, and fun. He is truly a great, great guy that happens to be intensely talented.

WB: I loved working with Nadja on the third violin sonata in the 1990s. At first in rehearsal she was diffident but soon berated me (rightly) for not practicing enough. The solo part for Romanza was actually foisted on her; I don't think she'd wanted a solo piece for this commission. I just wanted to do it, and I'm glad she has gone along with the gig!

Bachianas Brasileiras No. 5

(1938 - 1945)

Heitor Villa-Lobos Born March 5, 1887 in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

Died November 17, 1959 in Rio de Janeiro

SNAPSHOT OF HISTORY... IN 1938:

- Anschluss: Nazi Germany occupies neighboring Austria
- Béla Bartók's Sonata for Two Pianos and Percussion is premiered in Basel, Switzerland
- Thornton Wilder's play Our Town is first performed in Princeton
- The great Russian poet Osip Mandelstam dies in a Siberian camp
- Hans Asperger first describes the syndrome a form of autism – to which he gave his name

Early in his life, Villa-Lobos absorbed many different forms of Brazilian music and these traditions inspired an extremely vast and varied oeuvre over the years. Through extended stays in Paris, he became acquainted with new European music, and he was able to create a most original and personal synthesis out of these diverse elements. He became a leading champion of music education in Brazil, and the first South American composer to achieve world-wide renown. He composed hundreds of works, including 12 symphonies, 17 string quartets, in addition to the two large multi-work series Chôros and Bachianas Brasileiras in which he developed an original and authentic Brazilian style.

Villa-Lobos's admiration for the music of J. S. Bach bordered on religious worship. He once called the German master "greater than the greatest of mortals," conducted the first Brazilian performance of the b-minor Mass in 1935, and made numerous arrangements of Bach's music; among others, he transcribed preludes and fugues from the Well-Tempered Clavier for workers' chorus!

Between 1930 and 1945, he also composed a total of nine works — all for different instrumental forces — with the title Bachianas Brasileiras in which he wanted to write, as he himself put it, "the kind of music the Leipzig master might have written had he been born a 20th-century Brazilian composer." Unlike such European contemporaries as Stravinsky, Hindemith, or Martin who experimented with various kinds

of "neo-Baroque" styles, Villa-Lobos adopted few actual characteristics of Bach's music but strove to capture its spirit instead.

By far the best known of the Bachianas and, indeed, by far the most popular of all of Villa-Lobos's works - is No. 5 or, more precisely, the opening "Aria" from what eventually became two-movement a composition. Villa-Lobos originally conceived the piece for soprano and eight cellos (he had started his career as a cellist!), and subsequently made several alternative versions, both with and without singer. The "Aria" may be seen as being loosely modeled on the "Air" from Bach's Orchestral Suite No. 3, but its utterly unpredictable rhythmic flow and its extremely subtle accompaniment make it quite un-Bachian. Even when sung by a soprano, this memorable melody has no text (like Rachmaninoff's famous Vocalise), though its faster middle section does have one, written by singer and poet Ruth Valadares Corrêa, who was the soloist at the first performance.

Seven years after the "Aria," Villa-Lobos added a fast dance as a second movement and called it Martelo—a type of Brazilian folksong. Bachianas Brasileiras No. 5 was published in 1947 with a dedication to "Mindinha," that is, Arminda Neves de Almeida Villa-Lobos, who was the composer's companion during the last 23 years of his life.

Metamorphosen for 23 Solo Strings, Op. 142 (1945)

Richard Strauss

Born June 11, 1864 in Munich, Germany Died September 8, 1949 in Garmisch

Partenkirchen

SNAPSHOT OF HISTORY... IN 1945:

- World War II ends; the atomic bomb is dropped on Hiroshima and Nagasaki
- · Animal Farm by George Orwell is published
- · Alfred Hitchcock's film Spellbound is released
- Benjamin Britten's opera Peter Grimes is first performed
- Rodgers and Hammerstein's Carousel opens on Broadway

March 1945. The end of World War II in Europe was imminent as the Allies were closing in on a rapidly disintegrating and completely devastated Germany that was beginning to pay the price of 12 years of Nazi madness. Some of the best German minds were in doubt whether the country would ever recover from the disgrace of having started the most terrible war in history and from the resulting destruction.

In his Californian exile, the 70-yearold Thomas Mann was working on a new novel, *Doktor Faustus*, in which the narrator, Dr. Serenus Zeitblom, expresses his horror at these events and bemoans what he sees as the end of a thousand-year civilization, passionately cursing the "corrupters" of his people.

Back in Germany, Richard Strauss, age 81, was sitting in his house in the little town of Garmisch-Partenkirchen highin the Bavarian Alps, mourning the ruin of the great German cities where he had spent his life and the great opera houses that had seen his triumphs; all was now reduced to a mass of rubble.

Mann and Strauss were not friends: besides other conflicts, the writer never forgave the composer for staying in Germany throughout the Hitler era. For a while, Strauss had even appeared to endorse the regime by serving as president of the state music bureau (1933–35). But he had fallen out of favor soon enough, partly for working with Stefan Zweig, who was Jewish, on the opera Die schweigsame Frau ("The Silent Woman"), and partly for having a Jewish daughter-in-law. (After the war, his name was cleared by the denazification board and he died with his dignity restored.)

Unlike Mann, Strauss was not interested in politics and lived only for his art. But that does not mean that he did not respond to his country's tragedy in his own manner. And Metamorphosen, this great elegy for the end of a world, does seem to echo Zeitblom's words to some extent — although stylistically, it is very different from the way Mann/Zeitblom describes the music of the imaginary composer Adrian Leverkühn, the protagonist of Doktor Faustus.

The title Metamorphosen came to Strauss from Goethe. Strauss biographer Norman Del Mar reports that the composer sought comfort from the horrors of the time by re-reading Goethe's complete works, which included Die Metamorphose der Pflanzen ("The Metamorphosis of Plants") — the "Prince of Poets" had written both a scientific treatise and a poem with that title. In the context of the composition, the word refers

to the transformation of a few basic motifs, including the opening of the funeral march from Beethoven's Third Symphony, which undergoes a most striking metamorphosis in Strauss's work.

Strauss called Metamorphosen a "study for 23 solo strings." This means that no two players have exactly the same part, though of course doublings are frequent. The texture is in general much denser than in most other orchestral music because of the presence of a greater-than-usual number of notes within the same sound spectrum. Almost every note is heard in two (sometimes three) different octaves simultaneously at any given moment. In addition, the pattern of doublings varies constantly as the 23 solo instruments are regrouped in ever-changing combinations.

The harmonies in *Metamorphosen* are all classical, yet the way they are joined together is anything but conventional. The first four chords of the piece are eminor, A-flat Major, g minor, and A Major — hardly a run-of-the-mill sequence. And the continuation is well worthy of that astonishing beginning.

One of the greatest challenges Strauss faced in Metamorphosen was how to build a slow movement of 30 minutes' length that had enough variety yet always preserved the same general character. He did not follow sonata form or any other traditional pattern. Instead, he arranged his thematic material in such a way as to create a constant "ebb and flow": there are waves of growing and decreasing intensity, sections with more or fewer instrumental parts and in a faster or slower tempo. The many smaller waves ultimately merge into a single big one: the music gradually gets louder, faster, and more intricate, both rhythmically and contrapuntally, before returning to the original soft, slow, and chordal texture.

The rich tapestry of the piece is made up of several melodic motifs, all related to one another through the use of dotted and tied-over notes, triplets, and other recurrent rhythmic devices. One of these motifs, the first one to appear in the violins, is derived from the second movement of Beethoven's "Eroica" Symphony. It is heard again and again in many different keys and orchestrations, but it is not until the very end that Beethoven's funeral march appears in its original form in the basses. In the manuscript, Strauss wrote under this theme the words "IN MEMORIAM!"

With the nostalgic late Romantic style of his final works, Strauss may have seemed something of a musical dinosaur to younger composers. Or, to put it more kindly, as Del Mar does, Strauss was "a figure from the past, the last great Master of a bygone age." To which we might add: But what an age! And what a Master!

Program notes by Peter Laki.

ARTISTS

assion, excitement, and innovation are the hallmarks of internationally-acclaimed soloist and chamber musician NADIA SALERNO-SONNENBERG's artistry. Highly regarded for her compelling performances, daring interpretations, and dedication to her craft, she is one of today's leading violinists, renowned



for her work on the concert stage, in the recording studio. and in her role as music director of the San Francisco-based New Century

Chamber Orchestra, which she joined in January 2008. With successful careers in both the solo and chamber music worlds. Ms. Salerno-Sonnenberg continues to enthrall audiences of all ages.

A powerful and creative presence on the recording scene, Ms. Salerno-Sonnenberg continues to enrich the collection of her record label, NSS Music. which she started in 2005. In addition to her over 20 releases on the EMI and Nonesuch labels, she has also made several recordings for NSS MUSIC (www. nssmusic.com), featuring both concerto and chamber pieces.

Nadja Salerno-Sonnenberg's exceptional artistry is paired with great musical intelligence which, along with her unique personality, have served

her well in numerous environments on camera hosting a Backstage/Live from Lincoln Center program for PBS, appearing in the PBS/BBC series The Mind, and even talking to Big Bird on Sesame Street. She was the subject of the 2000 Academy Award-nominated film Speaking in Strings, an intensely personal documentary on her life, which premiered at the Sundance Film Festival and was released in theaters nationwide and subsequently premiered on HBO's Signatures channel in 1999.

Ms. Salerno-Sonnenberg's professional career began in 1981 when she won the Walter W. Naumburg International Violin Competition. In 1983 she was recognized with an Avery Fisher Career Grant, and in 1988 was Ovations Debut Recording Artist of the Year. In 1999, she was honored with the prestigious Avery Fisher Prize, awarded to instrumentalists who have demonstrated "outstanding achievement and excellence in music."

The NEW CENTURY CHAMBER ORCHESTRA, one of only a handful of conductorless ensembles in the world, was founded in 1992 by cellist Miriam Perkoff and violist Wieslaw Pogorzelski. Musical decisions are made collaboratively by the 19-member string ensemble, including San Francisco Bay Area musicians and those who travel from across the US and Europe to perform together. World-renowned violin soloist, chamber musician, and recording artist Nadja Salerno-Sonnenberg leads from the concertmaster chair. She joined the ensemble as music director and concertmaster in January 2008, bringing "a new sense of vitality and determination, as well as an audacious swagger that is an unmistakable

fingerprint of its leader," according to *Gramophone* magazine. In 2011, Ms. Salerno-Sonnenberg and New Century embarked on the Orchestra's two most extensive tours to-date. The performances in the Midwest, east coast, and southern California garnered record-breaking audiences and national critical acclaim.

In addition to performing classic pieces of chamber orchestra repertoire, New Century commissions important new works, breathes life into rarely heard jewels of the past, and performs world premieres. The New Century Chamber Orchestra Featured Composer program commissions composers to write new works, with the goals expanding chamber orchestra repertoire and providing audiences with a deeper understanding of today's living composers. The orchestra provides insight into the breadth of the Featured Composer's work by performing a variety of pieces by the composer throughout the season. As part of its dedication to the future of music, New Century also provides musical education to students at elementary schools in Marin City and San Rafael's Canal District, which cannot otherwise afford to offer music instruction.

The orchestra has released six compact discs. The two latest albums, Together (released August 2009) and LIVE: Barber, Strauss, Mahler (released November 2010), were recorded with Nadja Salerno-Sonnenberg on the NSS Music label. Other recordings include a 1996 collaborative project with Kent Nagano and the Berkeley Symphony Orchestra featuring the work of 20th century-Swiss composer Frank Martin, and Written With the Heart's Blood, a 1997 Grammy Award finalist, both on the New Albion label. In 1998 the orchestra recorded and released works Argentine composers Alberto Williams and Alberto Ginastera on the d'Note label, and, in 2004, the orchestra recorded and released Oculus, a CD of Kurt Rohde's compositions on the Mondovibe label. All of the recordings have been distributed both internationally and in the US. The orchestra's first concert DVD, filmed by Paola di Florio, director of the 1999 Academy Award-nominated Speaking in Strings, was released on NSS MUSIC on May 8, 2012. The DVD weaves together documentary footage and a live tour concert from a February 2011 performance at the Broad Stage in Santa Monica



UMS ARCHIVES

This evening's concert marks the New Century Chamber Orchestra's second appearance under UMS auspices following its UMS debut in February 2011 at Rackham Auditorium.

Ms. Salerno-Sonnenberg makes her sixth appearance under UMS auspices this evening. Ms. Salerno-Sonnenberg made her UMS debut at Hill Auditorium in April 1988 as part of the 95th May Festival with the Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra. She most recently appeared at Rackham Auditorium with the New Century Chamber Orchestra in February 2011.

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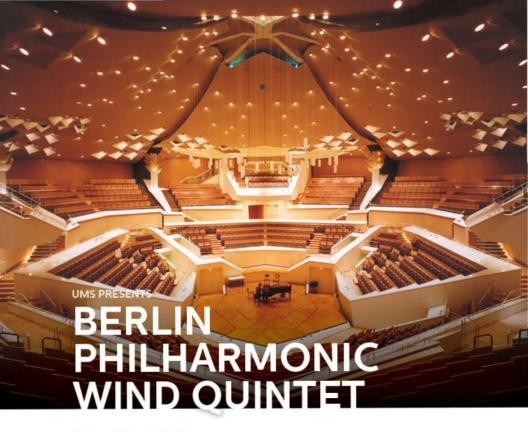
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Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart,

Arr. Michael Hasel

Fantasie in f minor, K. 608 (for "Mechanical Organ")

Allegro - Andante - Allegro

Kalevi Aho Kvintetto (Windquintet)

Agitato

Vivace, leggiero

Marziale, pesante

Andante, con tristezza

INTERMISSION

Jacques Ibert Trois pièces brèves

Allegro

Andante

Assez lent - Allegro scherzando

Darius Milhaud La Cheminée du roi René

Cortège

Aubade

Jongleurs

La maousinglade

loutes sur l'arc

Chasse à Valabre

Madrigal-nocturne

Francis Poulenc

Sextet for Piano and Wind Quintet

Allegro vivace

Divertissement

Finale

Mr. Katz

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NOW THAT YOU'RE IN YOUR SEAT...

Evenings of chamber music for winds are less frequent on our concert calendars than piano trios or string quartets, which is understandable since the latter were central to the work of so many of our canonical masters for so many years. Wind music was long treated as a lighter genre: more often than not, wind ensembles played serenades, divertimenti, and other forms of musical entertainment. Although Mozart wrote some of his greatest music for winds (either sextets and octets, or else solo winds combined with other instruments), it was not until the 20th century that the wind quintet (flute, oboe, clarinet, horn, bassoon) became established as a stable formation worthy of the attention of major composers. Unlike a string quartet, whose four instruments belong to the same family and are able to achieve a perfect blend, in a wind quintet each instrument has a very different sound quality and maintains its individual character even when mixing its timbre with the other members of the group. The acoustic combinations are endless...

Fantasie in f minor, K. 608

(for "Mechanical Organ") (1791)

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart Born January 27, 1756 in Salzburg, Austria

Died December 5, 1791 in Vienna

SNAPSHOTS OF HISTORY...IN 1791:

- Joseph Haydn composes his first set of London symphonies
- · The Brandenburg Gate is completed in Berlin
- Pierre Charles L'Enfant begins to design the future capital of the US
- · Robert Burns publishes his poem Tam o'Shanter
- Revolutionary France adopts its first written constitution, inspired by the Constitution of the US

As neither I (as the page-turning flautist of our ensemble) nor our audiences wished to deny ourselves further contact with Mozart's music, the use of transcriptions was an obvious step to take. Although, since we formed the ensemble in 1988, we have steadfastly refused to play arrangements (with the exception of a few display pieces and encores), we make an exception for Mozart, because his oeuvre includes certain works that cry out for a quintet arrangement if the transcription is carried out with due stylistic sensitivity.

Moreover, as the mechanical organ and glass harmonica are not readily available for concert performances, I hope that my arrangements will make some of Mozart's masterpieces more easily accessible for a larger audience.

The starting point for my arrangements was the text of the Neue Mozart Ausgabe (published by Bärenreiter), which has been carried over unaltered except for certain octave and chord doublings that had to be changed for technical reasons, especially in K. 608, where chords of up to 12 notes occur. The instruments (except for the horn) are used in accordance with the customs and technical capabilities of Mozart's era. I have used the horn according to modern performance technique, not least in order to achieve a greater range of color in the instrumentation, a point that Mozart evidently also considered important (see K. 452). To have restricted myself to the valve-less horn would have resulted in very sparing use of the instrument, especially in K. 594 and K. 608 with their wide harmonic range.

Mozart's three surviving works

for mechanical organ all come from the last year of his life. They were written in response to a commission from Count Josef von Deym's Müllersche Kunstgalerie in Vienna. This art gallery contained a curious mixture of exhibits: plaster replicas of ancient statues, wax reliefs, paintings, copper engravings, and mechanical musical instruments. In March 1791, the Count mounted a memorial exhibition for Field Marshal Baron Gideon von Laudon, an Austrian national hero, at which funeral music was to be played hourly. For this purpose Mozart wrote K. 594 (the last entry in his catalogue of works for December 1790) and K. 608 (dated 3 March 1791); K. 616, dated 4 May 1791, was intended for performance elsewhere in the collection; furthermore, we can conclude from Mozart's letters and fragments that he wrote additional pieces for mechanical organ, works which have regrettably not survived.

Clockwork organ or organ cylinder are terms referring to a fluteplaying musical clock, in other words a mechanical organ that is coupled to a clock mechanism in order to reproduce music at a given point in time. These flute-playing musical clocks, for which such composers as Joseph Haydn and Ludwig van Beethoven also composed a number of pieces, were then very popular instruments in high society art galleries and other curiosity chambers. They existed in a wide range of types and with differing ranges, as can well be seen from Mozart's scores. For the four-part texture of K. 616, for example, a highpitched instrument with small pipes was sufficient, whilst K. 608 requires chords of up to 12 notes and a considerably larger range.

Mozart's music for organ cylinder were soon arranged for other instruments in order to make

them accessible to a wider audience. The adaptations range from piano transcriptions to versions for orchestra. Several arrangements exist for wind quintet; the older ones (Meyer, Pillney) often take considerable liberties with the text, whilst the newer ones (Schottstädt, Schäfer) reproduce Mozart's music with much greater precision. In particular K. 608, an outstanding piece with fine contrapuntal passages, a fugue and a double-fugue (a late flowering of Mozart's preoccupation with the music of Bach), rapidly became well known. Beethoven made a copy of it for study purposes (he also possessed a copy of K. 594). Schubert's f-minor Fantasy for Piano Four Hands clearly shows its influence, and the "Adagio" from Franz Lachner's Wind Octet has obvious links with the "Andante" from Mozart's piece.

Finally, we can only marvel at the way Mozart's inspiration attained such elevated heights when tackling a task of which, as we know from his letters, he was not especially fond. As W. Hildesheimer points out in his biography of Mozart: Music of significance for a musical box, an almost tragic-comical combination, at any rate a triumph of the spirit over the material.

Program note by Michael Hasel, @2000.

Kyintetto (Windquintet) (2006)

Kalevi Aho

Born March 9, 1949 in Forssa, Finland

SNAPSHOT OF HISTORY... IN 2006:

- Former Iraqi President Saddam Hussein is executed
- The film The Lives of Others, about the former East German secret police, is released
- Composer György Ligeti dies in Vienna at the age of 83
- Former Vice President Al Gore publishes his book An Inconvenient Truth: The Planetary Emergency of Global Warming and What We Can Do About It
- John Adams' opera The Flowering Tree is premiered in Vienna, in honor of the 250th anniversary of Mozart's birth

Kalevi Aho, one of Finland's leading composers, studied at the Sibelius Academy in Helsinki under Einojuhani Rautavaara and in West Berlin in Boris Blacher's composition class. He has been a lecturer in musicology at Helsinki University and professor of composition at the Sibelius Academy.

Known principally as a composer of large-scale works, Mr. Aho has, to date, composed 15 symphonies, 19 concertos, four operas, and several vocal works. His chamber music includes several quintets, quartets, sonatas, and solo works. He initially came to fame with his first symphony (1969) and second string quartet (1970). His works of that time showed such neo-classical traits such as a preoccupation with counterpoint (particularly fugues), and stylized renderings of older forms, such as the waltz. In the following decade he wrote in modernist and post-modernist styles. His use of irony and juxtaposition of contrasting moods and musical styles and genres has been compared to Gustav Mahler and Alfred Schnittke. His work also shows the influence of Einojuhani Rautavaara, especially when evoking mysterious textures, and Dmitri Shostakovich. His music has been extensively recorded by BIS Records.

Mr. Aho's Wind Quintet was commissioned by the Turku Philharmonic Orchestra (Finland) in 2006. It has four movements, the first three of which are each divided into two opposing halves. The first movement begins with a powerful "Agitato" but later gives way to a lyrical and singing cantando. The beginning of the second movement is playful and virtuosic but ends in a rhythmically accentuated and capricious Allegro marcato. The stylized march that begins the third movement ("Marziale") is followed by a wild, virtuosic Furioso before the

march returns. The final movement is a melancholy "Andante con tristezza," which begins with the oboe and clarinet playing off-stage and ends with the horn and bassoon leaving and playing offstage.

From the composer:

The wind quintet is difficult to write for. The character and tone production of the instruments are very different, making balance and intonation critical: instrumentation tends emphasize higher pitches, hence very quiet pianissimo nuances are difficult to achieve. Therefore I have often written unisono passages in which the instruments double each other. Sometimes I reduce the music to just one or two voices. On occasion the horn is often the bass voice, playing lower than the bassoon, whereas the oboe is sometimes the highest and most dominant voice. The softer flute and clarinet might then take over the middle voices. By having some instruments play off-stage in the last movement, not only are extremely quiet dynamics achievable, the work acquires new spatial dimensions.

Program note by Fergus McWilliam.

Trois pièces brèves (1939)

Jacques Ibert

Born August 15, 1890 in Paris Died February 5, 1962 in Paris

SNAPSHOT OF HISTORY... IN 1939:

- The Spanish Civil War ends with the defeat of the Republican forces
- · Nazi Germany invades Poland: World War II begins
- John Steinbeck's novel The Grapes of Wrath is published
- Two of the most famous films of all time: The Wizard of Oz and Gone With the Wind are released

Jacques Ibert typifies the versatility of French composers in the early-20th century. Like Darius Milhaud, he too studied with André Gédalge as well as with Paul Vidal and Gabriel Fauré. The first-named may be less familiar today, but he was one of the most outstanding composition teachers in France at the time when there was an abundance of musical instructors.

Ibert fought in the front line for three years during the First World War; he was awarded the renowned Prix de Rome in 1919 and then lived for three years in Italy. He also chose to spend the period 1937-55 in Rome although his stay was interrupted by the Second World War: he was director of the French Academy in the Villa Medici.

Cynics have often held that a true genius could never win the Prix de Rome because it was reserved for mediocre composers. One may value Ibert's music in different ways but mediocrity was never among its characteristics. His work is not the reason why his name did not become better known; this is more likely due to his reserved, sometimes simply shy personality - a comparison with his teacher Fauré here being obvious.

A significant portion of Ibert's work was for wind instruments. It is piquant music in the best sense of the word, mostly from the 1930s and 1940s, flavored with a spark of Gallic humor. Ibert preferred unusual instrumental combinations and these three pieces, in the traditional fast-slow-fast order (the last one with a slow introduction) are among his rare pieces for normal wind quintet.

La Cheminée du roi René

(1939)

Darius Milhaud Born September 4, 1892 in Aix-en Provence, France Died June 22, 1974 in Geneva. Switzerland

Darius Milhaud bore a strong similarity in one respect to his German colleague Paul Hindemith, who was three years his junior. Both had the ability to compose at any time and in any environment - resulting in each case a massive catalogue of works. Milhaud's compositional foundation was eminent technical skill, acquired from extremely assiduous studies with Paul Dukas, Charles-Marie Widor, and André Gédalge. The last-named may be less familiar today, but was one of the most outstanding composition teachers in France at a time when there was no shortage of musical instructors.

As a principal representative (alongside Arthur Honneger) of the group Les Six, Milhaud soon became a focal point of attention. As a diplomat engaged by Paul Claudel he had already spent two years in Brazil, and he was later to live for a long time in the US. He soon became famous internationally, although he remains almost unknown in Germany even today - a state of affairs attributable partly to the theory set out above and partly to the way in which music by Jews was frowned upon in the Third Reich.

Like Hindemith, Milhaud liked to write playful music in which, with the superiority of a master, he could often perpetrate polytonal witticisms. Another sign of his mastery was not only that he wrote music with breath-taking speed but that this velocity never led to a mechanical aridity, simply because his fantasy was so abundant.

The title La Cheminée du Roi René (King René's Chimney) indicates this wind suite's origin as program music. It derives from the score for the film Calvacade d'Amour, which Milhaud wrote together with Roger Désormière (known principally as a conductor) and Arthur Honneger. The cavalcade of love mentioned in the title ran through three different periods, the Middle Ages, 1830, and 1930, each composer depicting one of these periods in music. Milhaud chose the Middle Ages and conjured up its atmosphere with especial success. In 1939 he combined seven movements to form the suite performed here; despite the individual titles the suite can be regarded as absolute music.

Sextet for Piano and Wind Quintet (1939)

Francis Poulenc Born January 7, 1899 in Paris Died January 30, 1963 in Paris

Poulenc had his first major successes as an 18-year-old composer without a single composition lesson. Despite some study, he remained largely self-taught. In fact, his music is so individual, it's difficult to imagine what anyone could have taught him. The music is eminently tuneful—his major strength—and he can be regarded as a melodist fit to keep company with Franz Schubert and Wolfgang Mozart. As a French songwriter, he is the great successor to Fauré.

Poulenc behaved like a sophisticated eccentric (he once chatted up a stupefied Cannes bartender about an ingenious harmonic progression he managed to pull-off that morning), and the eccentricity, not surprisingly, showed up in his music. Many have called attention to his split artistic personality, "part monk, part guttersnipe," but really

he was more multi-facetted. Like most French composers of his generation, he fell under the influences of Stravinsky and Satie. Yet he doesn't imitate either. You can identify a Poulenc composition immediately with its bright colors, strong, clear rhythms, and gorgeous and novel diatonic harmonies. He is warmer and less intellectual than Stravinsky, more passionate and musically more refined than Satie.

In the 1920s, Poulenc was part of Les Six, an informal confederation of French composers who wanted to divorce both Impressionism and Germanicism from French music and create an amalgam from Igor Stravinsky, Eric Satie, and popular forms (Poulenc loved French vaudeville, especially Maurice Chevalier; Darius Milhaud, another member, liked American jazz and Brazilian dances). Artistically, they allied themselves with Cubism; in literature, with the French surrealists Cocteau, Eluard, and Apollinaire. Poulenc's works around this time include the brilliant Rapsodie negre, in which a baritone chants the "Madagascan" word "Ho-no-lu-lu" over and over, the surrealist opera Les Mamelles de Tirésias, a classic ballet for Diaghilev, Les Biches, about flirtatious girls, and the Concert champêtre for harpsichord. In the last two works, the neoclassic influence stands out clearly, but it's Poulenc's own brand of classicism, recalling 18th-century France rather than Mozart's realm.

The composer called his Sextet for Piano and Wind Quintet of 1932–39 "a homage to the wind instruments which I have loved from the moment I began composing." If Poulenc deliberately sets out to write music which is entertaining, that does not preclude moments that touch the heart as well. Initially lightweight in style, the death of a close friend in 1935 brought a new depth to his work

in general.

Poulenc, like Haydn and Schubert, is one of the few great composers not only content with, but modestly amazed at being human. The music doesn't strive for the extraordinary, not even his religious music. Humanity is extraordinary enough. It possesses a sincere simplicity of effect.

Program note by Fergus McWilliam.

ARTISTS

he BERLIN PHILHARMONIC WIND QUINTET (Philharmonisches Bläserquintett Berlin) was founded in 1988, during the era of Herbert von Karajan, the first permanently established wind quintet in the famous orchestra's rich tradition of chamber music.

With four original members since inception (Marion Reinhard succeeded founding bassoonist Henning Trog in 2009), they are living musical witnesses to the hugely productive and influential musical partnerships of the Berlin Philharmonic not only with Karajan, but also with its two most recent Musical Directors: Claudio Abbado and Sir Simon Rattle. Naturally, as members of the Berlin Philharmonic, they have also enjoyed important collaborations with every other major conductor of their times, including Leonard Bernstein, Carlos Kleiber, Sir John Barbirolli, Günter Wand, Carlo Maria Giulini, Bernard Haitink, Riccardo Muti, James Levine, and Daniel Barenboim.

The Berlin Philharmonic Wind Quintet continues to astonish audiences worldwide with their range of expression, their tonal spectrum, and their conceptual unity. Indeed many listeners and critics agree that the ensemble has succeeded in virtually redefining the sound of the classic wind quintet. Their repertoire covers not only the entire spectrum of the wind quintet literature but also includes works for enlarged ensemble, i.e. the sextets of Janáček and Reinicke or the septets of Hindemith and Koechlin. In addition, collaboration with pianists such as Lars Vogt, Stephen Hough, Jon Nakamatsu, and Lilya Zilberstein have intensified in recent years.

The ensemble's commitment to the wind quintet repertoire is passionate and in 1991 they found the perfect partner for their recording plans, the Swedish company BIS Records, already well known in its own right for its uncompromising standards. The results of this long and exclusive collaboration received critical accolades worldwide - indeed many of these recordings are already widely held to be "definitive" or "reference" performances. In addition to their concert appearances throughout Europe, North and South America, Israel, Australia, and the Far East, the Berlin Philharmonic Wind Quintet are also popular guests at international festivals such as the Berliner Festwochen, the Edinburgh Festival. the London Proms. Quintette-Biennale Marseille. the Rheingau Festival, and the Salzburg Festival. Their television productions and radio broadcasts are seen and heard throughout Europe, Asia, and North America.

In recent years the members of the Berlin Philharmonic Wind Quintet have intensified their teaching and coaching roles with youth; they give chamber music workshops and instrumental instruction in many countries, with a particular commitment, for example, to the youth orchestra program of Venezuela.



MARTIN KATZ has been dubbed "the gold standard of collaborative pianists" by *The New York Times*. For four decades, his performances on five continents have been in partnership with the world's vocal luminaries. Marilyn Horne,



Frederica von Stade, Kathleen Battle, David Daniels, Karita Mattila, and Jose Carreras are among his regular partners, and he has

recorded for RCA, CBS, BMG, EMI, and Decca labels. His many recordings, feature songs, and arias in 10 languages reflect his immense repertoire. His first book, *The Complete Collaborator*, published by Oxford University Press, is fast becoming the standard guide for

appreciating this specialized niche in the music world. In addition to his work at the keyboard, Mr. Katz has been lauded for his appearances on the podium. His editions of Handel and Rossini operas have been performed at the Metropolitan, in Ottawa, Houston, and Tokyo. Finally, the profile of Martin Katz is completed by his commitment to teaching. Hehas chaired the collaborative piano program at the University of Michigan for 25 years, and is honored to hold the Artur Schnabel Professorship. Guest teaching appearances also fill his schedule year after year, including Songfest in Los Angeles, the National Theatre of Tokyo, San Francisco Opera's prestigious Merola program, and the Santa Fe Opera.



UMS ARCHIVES

Tonight's performance marks the Berlin Philharmonic Woodwind Quintet's appearance under UMS auspices. The Quintet made its UMS debut in March 1995 at Rackham Auditorium.

This evening's concert marks Martin Katz's 34th appearance under UMS auspices.



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Pater Noster

The Lord's Prayer is the best-known prayer in Christianity, appearing in two of the Gospels. In Matthew's Gospel (6:9-13) it is included as part of the discourse on ostentation, as part of the Sermon on the Mount. Here Jesus instructs people to pray after the manner of this prayer, and this prayer has become a central part of liturgy in all Christian denominations. This program is based around the words of the Lord's Prayer, featuring musical settings of the prayer alongside other works that complement the meaning of the different sentences.

The first presentation of the Lord's Prayer is in the most ancient musical form represented here, using plainchant. Different styles of plainchant developed alongside each other in the early years of medieval times until the 12th century when the styles were standardized into the Gregorian form that is widely used to this day.

Although the most notable setting

of Die Himmel erzählen die Ehre Gottes is by J.S. Bach (1685-1750) in his Cantata, BWV 76 (1723), Heinrich Schütz (1585-1672) is generally considered to be the most important German composer before Bach. Schütz's musical education took him to Italy for three years from 1609 to 1612, where he studied with Giovanni Gabrieli, and whose influence shines through in Schütz's compositions. He composed the music for Vater Unser in 1647 but is best known for his three books of Symphoniae Sacrae, the settings of the Psalms of David, and the Sieben Worte Jesu Christi am Kreuz (Seven Last Words on the Cross).

Highly skilled in writing polyphonic vocal music, Josquin des Pres (c. 1450–1521) composed both sacred and secular music at the height of the Renaissance period. He was widely praised for his melodies and technical advances and considered the most famous European from the 16th century, central to the Franco-Flemish School.

Similarly, William Byrd (1543-1623) is perhaps considered the greatest "Master" of the Renaissance period and all the available evidence indicates that he was recognized as such by his contemporaries. He remained a Roman Catholic all his life, despite England's "conversion" to the Protestant faith, and continued writing music for the Catholic liturgy throughout his career. He was probably discreet in his adherence to Rome and his faith did not prevent him from writing music for the new Anglican rite. Undoubtedly though, his genius was at its height in his music for the Roman Catholic Church and many of his pieces carried a covert message to the Catholic community. Vigilate is one such piece taken from Byrd's Cantiones Sacrae I, a collection of 16 Latin motets that he composed in 1589 and dedicated to Edward Somerset, Earl of Worcester.

Sir William Harris (1883-1973) is best known as a composer of unaccompanied church music but Holy Is The True Light is one of Harris' lesser-known gems. He was organist successively of New College, Oxford, Christ Church, Oxford, and St George's Chapel, Windsor. During his tenure at Windsor, Harris conducted at the coronations of both Queen Elizabeth II and her father King George VI.

With a more contemporary flavor is Quatre petites prières de Saint François d'Assise by Francis Poulenc (1899-1963). Composed in 1948, he dedicated the piece to the monastery choir at Champfleury, in particular Frère Jérome, a monk there who was also Poulenc's great-nephew. Based on the texts by Saint Francis, Poulenc describes these four pieces as "musical settings of his poignant little prayers" which see the composer combining the dynamic textures of plainchant and early polyphony with twisting chordal

color within a homophonic framework.

It is known that when Poulenc wrote his Concerto for Organ, Strings and Timpani, he took the advice on the organ registrations from fellow French composer and notable organist, Maurice Duruflé (1902-1986) who also premiered Poulenc's concerto in 1939. Duruflé held the title of titular organist at St Etienne-du-Mont in Paris from 1929 until his death. As a composer he was a perfectionist, allowing very little of his music to be published, and often continuing to edit his pieces after their publication. He is best known for his organ music, along with some wonderful sacred choral music, such as his Requiem (1947).

Stravinsky Igor (1882 - 1971)wrote two versions of Pater Noster the first as a tiny a cappella setting of the 1926 text in which he uses not the Latin words but rather the Slavonic ones "Otche nash." He later revisited the work and re-composed the music to suite the Latin text with a rather more serious and authentic Russian Orthodox style. The Orthodox faith was also a major influence on the music of Sir John Tavener, as well as the music of Stravinsky and Messiaen. Born in 1944, Tavener is best known for his large scale religious works such as The Whale, Celtic Requiem, and The Protecting Veil. In 1977 he joined the Russian Orthodox Church, and the mysticism of orthodoxy is clearly heard in his sparse and often slow-moving music.

One of most significant English composers is Henry Purcell (1659-1695). Although inspired by the Baroque music of Italy and France, he developed a uniquely English style of music. Purcell's musical promise appeared early in his life, and he is thought to have started composing at the age of nine. In 1676 he began a long association with Westminster Abbey, becoming organist in 1679. His compositions include operas, cantatas, and odes, instrumental music (including his sublime fantasias for viol consort) and choral music, of which Remember not, Lord, our offences is a wonderful example.

Equally at home as a composer, conductor, pianist, author, and lecturer, Leonard Bernstein (1918-1990) was an American musician who, for many years, was the music director of the New York Philharmonic. As a composer he is best known for his musical-theater scores for works such as West Side Story, Candide, and On the Town. He also wrote some religious works, most notably the Chichester Psalms. His setting of the Lord's Prayer comes from his Mass, which he wrote for the opening of Washington, DC's Kennedy Center in 1971, at the request of Jacqueline Kennedy Onnasis.

The program wouldn't be complete without a work of Orlandus Lassus (1532-1594). Generally acknowledged as the leading composer of his day, the "divine Orlande, prince of musicians," saw more of his output published than did any of his contemporaries; and that output was vast and varied. He was truly a man of many parts: a talented singer in his youth, a prolific, cosmopolitan composer in his 20s, an extrovert comic actor in his 30s, a keen traveler and amusing polyglot correspondent in his 40s and 50s, and an introverted melancholic in his 60s. His works embraced the greatest variety of subject and style within the realm of vocal polyphony, a medium which dominates the surviving art music of the time.

The Spanish area of Catalonia is a treasure trove of folk song material. In this group of songs, the first and last items are sung in Catalan, the remaining songs in Spanish. Goff Richards describes the pieces:

La Filadora

Goodness knows what Maria was doing wandering through the streets with her spinning wheel and bobbin on Christmas Eve, but by chance she happened to meet up with John, her loved one. The main topic of conversation was, would you believe, commercial enterprise! The happy couple decide to set up shop together.

El niño querido

"What shall we give the tiny little boy to make him laugh and be happy?" Certainly not modern-day toys! Here the answer is oranges, cakes (very sweet), nuts, honey, and cherries!

Claro abril resplandeció

More than just a song celebrating the arrival of spring this celebrates the most famous of births.

Villancico catalan

This simple yet poignant song tells of the infant birth as seen through the eyes of a group of peasants harvesting the fruit crop.

La pastoreta — Maria Rosa — La Caterineta

The final item in this group is a medley of three songs:

La pastoreta asks "What shall we give to the shepherdess?" "What shall we give her to go dancing?" Well of course a hood is the first thing that springs to mind!

Maria Rosa tells of the beauty of

Mary Rose, and of the anxiety her father is causing both to her and her lover. Will he agree to them marrying?

Finally, La Caterineta relates another tale about a father and daughter. Unfortunately, this one ends in tragedy. Catherine has disobeyed her father's instructions, and gone to the local dance. In his rage, he takes a piece of wood and kills her. We are spared the gruesome details, but nevertheless the message is quite clear: little girls should always do as they are told!

We like to end with a collection of pieces from the lighter end of the repertoire, which can include arrangements of folk songs and spirituals, standard evergreens, and contemporary pop material.

ARTISTS

ne of the world's most celebrated ensembles, **THE KING'S SINGERS** have a packed schedule of concerts, recordings, media, and education work that spans the globe. They champion the work of both young and established composers and, whether singing Tomkins or Takemitsu, Bach or Bublé, are instantly recognizable for their spot-on intonation, impeccable vocal blend, flawless articulation of the text, and incisive timing. They are also

consummate entertainers: a class act with a delightfully British wit.

During the current concert season, The King's Singers will perform across the globe in some of the world's most famous venues, including Carnegie Hall, King's College Chapel, and Dresden Frauenkirche. Their concert schedule will take them to South America, France, Germany, Poland, Belgium, the Netherlands, North America, Russia, Italy, Switzerland, Denmark, and Finland.

With a discography of over 150 recordings, The King's Singers have garnered both awards and significant critical acclaim, including a Grammy in 2009 for their studio album Simple Gifts on Signum. Always deeply committed to new choral music, they have commissioned over 200 works from prominent contemporary composers, includingRichardRodneyBennett,Berio, Maxwell Davies, Ligeti, Lukaszewski, Penderecki, Rutter, Takemitsu, and Tavener. Their album High Flight includes works commissioned by The King's Singers from Eric Whitacre and Bob Chilcott. It was recorded with the renowned Concordia College Choir and released in 2011 on Signum. Other recent Signum releases include Swimming Over London, which combines some of the group's favorite numbers with new songs and arrangements; a worldpremiere recording of Pachelbel's Music



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for Vespers with Charivari Agréable; and a DVD of Christmas repertoire in 2011.

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In addition to their internationally sold-out concerts, The King's Singers share their artistry through numerous workshops and master classes, and by publishing prodigious quantities of sheet music: at present, they have over two million items in circulation through their publisher, Hal Leonard. Their arrangements are sung the world over by school and college choirs and by ensembles both amateur and professional.

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Tonight marks Mr. Hurley's seventh appearance under UMS auspices. Mr. Hurley made his UMS debut with The King's Singers in April 1990 at Hill Auditorium.

Mr. Phoenix's makes his third appearance under UMS auspices this evening following his UMS debut in October 1999 with The King's Singers and Evelyn Glennie at Hill Auditorium.

UMS welcomes back Mr. Gabbitas in his second appearance under UMS auspices tonight following his UMS debut in October 2005 with The King's Singers at Hill Auditorium.

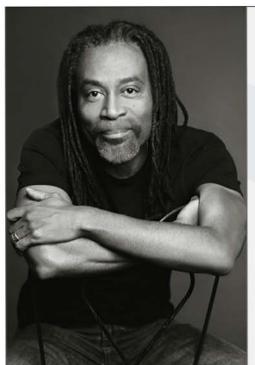
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Tamasaburo Bando **Kaden**

Maki Ishii

Monochrome

Motofumi Yamaguchi **Ibuki**

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Traditional, Arr. by Kodo **Onidaiko**

Tamasaburo Bando and Shogo Yoshii

Tsukimachi

Traditional, Arr. by Kodo

O-daiko

Traditional, Arr. by Kodo **Yatai-bayashi**

The duration of tonight's program is approximately two hours and is performed with an intermission.

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I present to you Kodo One Earth Tour 2013: Legend, my first work as the new artistic director for Kodo.

In this production, I wanted to create a performance that pays homage to the profound expressions of Kodo to date, adds splendor and levity, and harmonizes all elements into a single flow that undulates throughout the program. I have also composed new pieces in the hopes that they will be passed on to future generations. In these days of tremendous challenge and difficulty, my aim is simply to create a performance that will transport the audience into an inspiring alternate reality, even if just for a brief spell.

For this performance, in addition to Kodo's standard hanten (traditional Japanese coat), I have also introduced some original costumes with additional fun and flair. I hope that both seasoned fans and first-time audience members will enjoy the entirety of this program.

Moving forward, I will continue to devote myself to the role of Kodo artistic director. I hope that many people will take this opportunity to see the performance, and that the audience will become even more fond of the ensemble.

- Tamasaburo Bando, Artistic Director



- The Japanese word kodo has two meanings: "heartbeat" and "children of the drum."
- Kodo's first US tour in 1982 included a UMS performance at the Power Center.
- The organization built Kodo Village on 25 acres of land on Sado Island in Japan, where many of the members of Kodo live together communally.
- This year's One Earth Tour marks the first tour under Kodo's new artistic director, Tamasaburo Bando.
- The shell of the largest O-daiko drum is made from the trunk of a large, African Bubinga tree, and its heads are made from the hide of one large cow. The drum and its stand weigh 882 pounds.

Part One

Kaden (2012)

Tamasaburo Bando has been working with Kodo since 2001, and Kaden reflects his desire to make something "timeless to be handed on to the future generations." The title refers to a soloist freely creating an image amongst other sounds, taken from the musical term cadenza. It also alludes to Fushikaden (The Flowering Spirit), the 15th-century classic text by Zeami, the founder of Noh theater.

Monochrome (1977)

Weaving constant rhythmic patterns together with highly irregular ones, Monochrome develops spirally to an exciting climax by blending the sounds of the roped shime-daiko, miya-daiko, hirado daiko, and a gong. The listener might even interpret the sounds as colors. Kodo has performed this piece for over three decades, but for this program the ensemble presents it in a new arrangement.

Ibuki (1996)

Ibuki literally means "to release breath," and not only refers to the breathing of animals but also to the stirrings of life itself. Using bamboo flutes, hirado-daiko, and cymbals, this piece was composed as an homage to all living things.

Onidaiko

Onidaiko (demon drumming) is a tradition upheld in numerous locales around Sado Island, and this particular piece is based on the style native to the village of Iwakubi. Onidaiko was traditionally performed as an integral part of festivals, performed as an offering in hopes of abundant crops and good health. Through the course of

their tireless dancing, the young demon dancers transcend their human form and become almost deities. It is this boundless energy and essence of the divine that we try to express on stage.

Tsukimachi

Tsukimachi literally means "waiting for the moon." Since the days of the lunar calendar, people have looked to the night sky in anticipation of the moon, and what better way to pass the time waiting than playing taiko? Surrender your dancing soul to the taiko, and the beat will echo out like the roaring sea or the wind on a moonlit night.

0-daiko

Measuring four-feet across, the tree used to make the *O-daiko* lived for centuries, and the powerful sounds that emanate from within possess a deep tranquility yet tremendous intensity. Feel the vibrations throughout your entire body when three drummers, each with their own distinct character, pour every ounce of body and soul into the mighty drum.

Yatai-bayashi

Every winter in Chichibu, 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. Based on this festival piece, Kodo's Yataibayashi serves as a splendid finale to today's program.

The following pieces are based on these regional traditional performing arts:

Onidaiko: Iwakubi Onidaiko (Sado, Niigata) Tsukimachi: Hachijo Daiko (Hachijo Island, Tokyo) Yatai-bayashi: Chichibu Yatai-bayashi (Chichibu, Saitama)



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ODO, the taiko drumming pioneers from Japan's remote and inspiring Sado have powerful mastery over their instruments. It's a power that can be tender or explosive, delicate or thunderous. Since they burst onto the world scene in 1981, the group has roused and moved audiences around the globe, touring for months out of the year and playing thousands of concerts, performing in nearly every venue of note - from Amsterdam's Concertgebouw to Carnegie from Disney Hall to Lincoln Center, from Paris's Palais Garnier to the Berlin Philharmonie. Though steeped in tradition, Kodo turns traditional Japanese music into a stunning spectacle and a vibrant expression of artistic excellence.

Under the artistic direction of Japanese Living National Treasure and revered kabuki icon Tamasaburo Bando, the taiko performing arts ensemble is further refining its carefully considered stagecraft, combining the centuries-old techniques that Tamasaburo has absorbed from a lifetime on stage with the vigorous, joyful vision of taiko Kodo has developed over the decades, a vision that extends beyond music into movement and costume.

Kodo has thoughtfully transformed

the percussive music of Japan's rural festivals and rituals of harvest and renewal. The ensemble evokes the age-old celebrations of the agricultural cycle, yet pairs ancient pieces with new compositions by respected Japanese composers—from jazz pianists to kabuki masters—and by Kodo members.

When Kodo's founders came to Sado in the late 1960s, they were searching for a place to make a new kind of community, a new haven for art. After the group debuted in Berlin and spent most of the 1980s on tour, its founding members returned to their island home to establish Kodo Village. Now a vibrant arts hub, the village houses the ensemble and its apprentices and plays host each year to an annual Earth Celebration, a music and arts festival that brings together the many sounds and cultures Kodo encounters during its months on the road.

This urge to embrace the world's art influences Kodo's compositions and has helped them hone their presentation of their home country's distinctive roots. It has won them acclaim worldwide, and demonstrated the great flexibility and power of Japanese music and art.

Tamasaburo Bando is a leading Kabuki actor, and the most popular and celebrated onnagata (an actor specializing in female

roles) currently on stage. His profound aesthetic sense has been demonstrated across numerous platforms as he received high acclaim for his many artistic endeavors. His stage direction of productions such as Romeo & Juliet and Kaijin Besso garnered accolades, while as a movie director he demonstrated his artistic prowess in the films Gekashitsu. Yume no Onna, and Tenshu Monogatari, which caused a splash in the arts world. In April 2012, Bando assumed the position of Kodo's artistic director. In September 2012, he was recognized as an Important Intangible Cultural Property Holder (Living National Treasure).

In November 2003, the first Kodo performance directed by Tamasaburo Bando, Kodo One Earth Tour Special, was held. The production was created over the course of two years with Bando making five visits to Sado Island for rehearsals. In 2006, the first on-stage collaboration between Tamasaburo Bando and Kodo was realized in Amaterasu, a musical dance play based on a Japanese myth. It featured Bando

as the sun goddess Amaterasu and Kodo as the gods of the story who express themselves through music and dance. This performance was a catalyst for Kodo to break new ground in taiko expression. In February 2012, four days of sold-out Dadan performances took place at Théâtre du Châtelet in Paris, France. This same year, Bando became Kodo's artistic director and his first new work, Kodo One Earth Tour 2012–2013: Legend, is touring throughout Japan and the US through June 2013.

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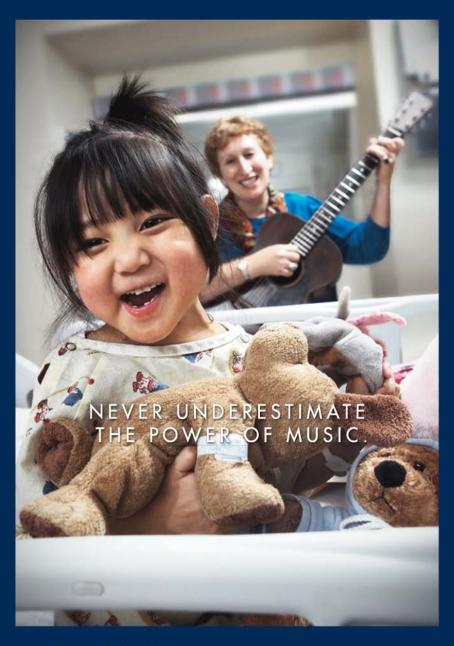
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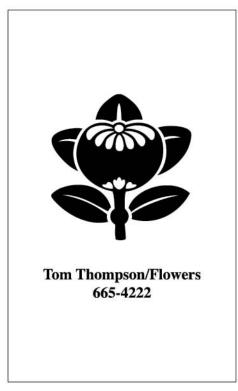
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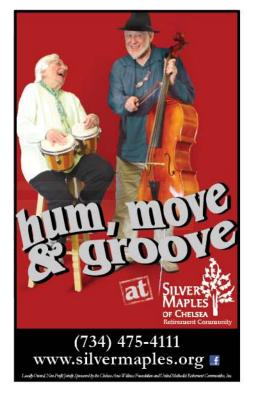
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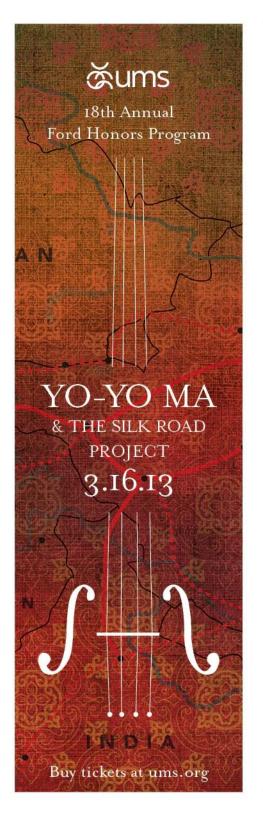
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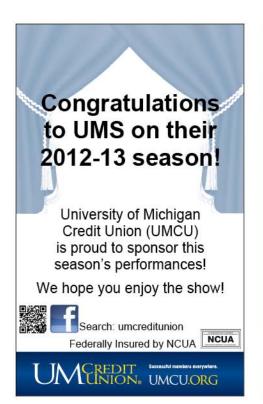
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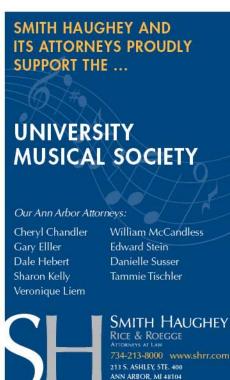
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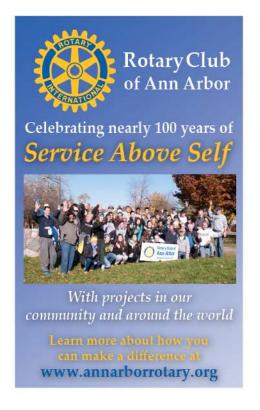
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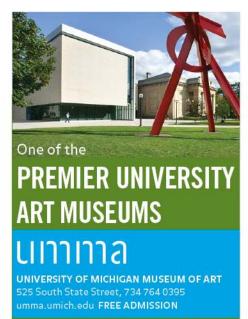
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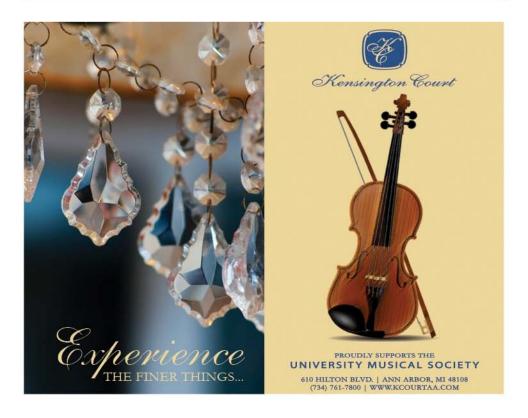
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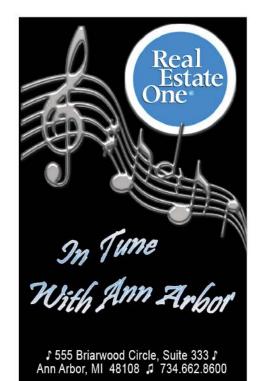


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734.764.2538 (Outside the 734 area code, call toll-free 800.221.1229)

BY MAIL

UMS Ticket Office Burton Memorial Tower 881 North University Avenue Ann Arbor, MI 48109-1011

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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. For events with high sound volume, ask your usher for complimentary earplugs.

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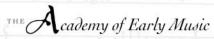
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Usher orientation sessions are held twice annually for new and returning ushers. You must attend an orientation to be eligible for ushering. Information about upcoming sessions is available at www.ums.org/volunteer as sessions are scheduled. For more information, contact Kate Gorman at 734.615.9398 or fohums@umich.edu.

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Open to singers of all ages, the 170-voice UMS Choral Union performs choral music of every genre in presentations throughout the region. Participation in the UMS Choral Union is open to all by audition. Auditions are held in the spring and the fall of each year. To learn more, please contact Kathy Operhall at kio@umich.edu or 734.763.8997.

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