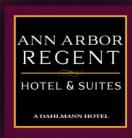


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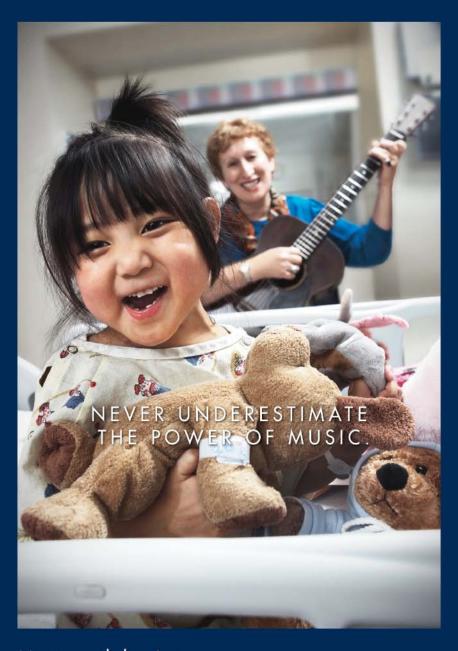
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10	Chanticleer
12	Takács Quartet
13	National Theatre Live: Othello
18	Chris Thile, mandolin
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27	National Theatre Live: Macbeth
29-Nov 3	Blind Summit: The Table

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3	Apollo's Fire: Bach's Brandenburg Concertos Nos. 2–6	
9	Steve Lehman Octet	
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16	San Francisco Symphony: Mahler's Symphony No. 9 Michael Tilson Thomas, conductor	
24	Brooklyn Rider with Béla Fleck	

Ballet Preliocai: And Then, One Thousand Years of Peace

DECEMBER

7-8	Handel's Messiah
8 & 11	RSC Live in HD: Richard II Directed by Gregory Doran

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JANUARY

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26	Denis Matsuev, piano
30	Fred Hersch Trio

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5	Ariel Quartet with Alisa Weilerstein, cello	
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7	One Night in Bamako Bassekou Kouyaté & Ngoni Ba and Fatoumata Diawara	
9	National Theatre Live: Coriolanus	
14	St. Lawrence String Quartet	
14-15	Compagnie Käfig	
16	Joshua Bell, violin	
19–22	Théâtre des Bouffes du Nord: Can Themba's <i>The Suit</i> Directed by Peter Brook	
22	St. Petersburg Philharmonic Yuri Temirkanov, conductor Denis Kozhukhin, piano	

MARCH

14	Alfredo Rodríguez Trio and the Pedrito Martinez Group	
15	Israel Philharmonic Orchestra: Bruckner's Symphony No. 8 Zubin Mehta, music director	
18	Elias Quartet	
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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.

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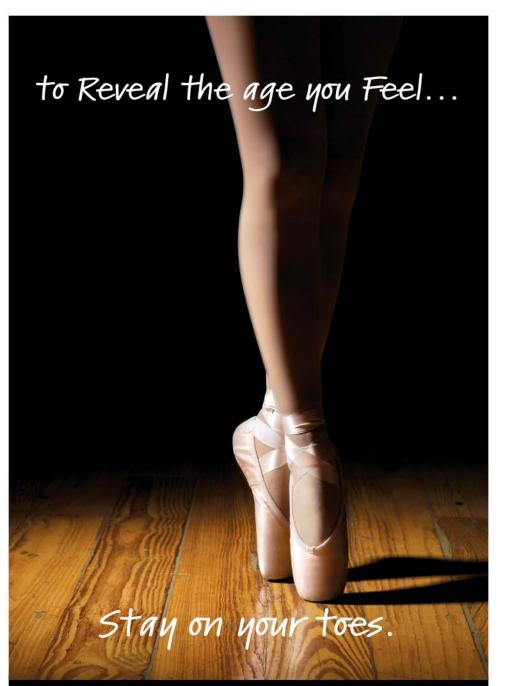
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Be aware of your surroundings. Connecting with what an artist or ensemble has to share is a very special gift, a gift that comes from a lifetime of training. One of the joys of attending live performances is the ability to share our experiences with 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.

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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. All dinners begin at 5:30 pm at the Rackham Building (4th Floor) with complimentary wine followed by a catered buffet dinner provided by local caterer Food Art.

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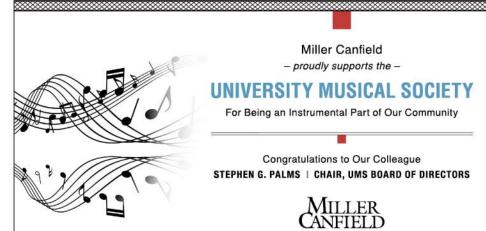
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Speaker: Logan Skelton, professor of music (piano), U-M School of Music, Theatre & Dance

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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.

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Thankfully, we manage to keep **last-minute** changes to a minimum, but please remember that all artists and programs are subject to change at a moment's notice.

Programs with larger print are available. Ask 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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Sunday, November 24, 4:00 pm Rackham Auditorium

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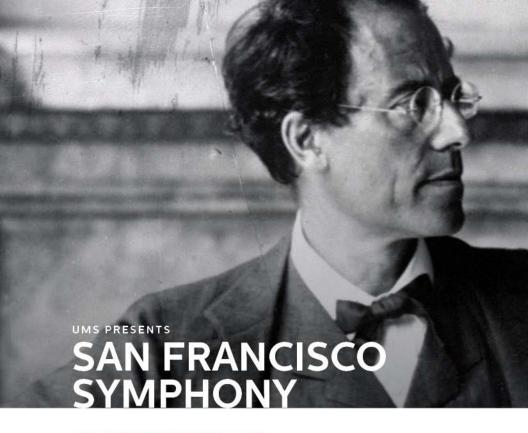
NEW! TUNE-IN EVENTS

UMS "Tune-Ins" are a series of brief pre-performance talks by inspired and experienced special guests who offer a unique perspective, tidbits of information, and provocative questions for thinking about, listening to, and watching the performance. Each Tune-In is just 15 minutes long and takes place in the performance venue.

Saturday, November 16, 7:30 pm San Francisco Symphony with Laura Jackson, Reno Philharmonic (Hill Mezzanine Lobby)

Sunday, November 24, 3:30 pm Brooklyn Rider with Béla Fleck with Mark Clague, U-M School of Music, Theatre & Dance (Rackham 4th floor East Lounge)





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Following this evening's concert, please feel free to remain in your seats and join us for a post-performance Q&A with members of the Orchestra.

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NOW THAT YOU'RE IN YOUR SEAT...

The Ninth Symphony is the last score Mahler completed. Some part of him would have wanted it so, for, with Beethoven's Ninth and Bruckner's unfinished Ninth in mind, he entertained a deep-rooted superstition about symphonies and the number nine. But for all the annihilating poignancy which this symphony ends, Mahler cannot have meant it as an actual farewell. Within days of completing the Ninth Symphony, he plunged into composing a Tenth. He had made significant progress when he died, on May 18, 1911, of a blood infection seven weeks before his 51st birthday.

The Ninth, begun in spring 1909 and finished on April 1, 1910, was also the last of Mahler's completed scores to be presented to the public (with the Vienna Philharmonic under Bruno Walter's direction, on June 26, 1912). This has surely contributed to the tradition of reading the work as the composer's farewell. Mahler wrote the Ninth Symphony in the whirlwind that was the last chapter of his life. That chapter began in 1907, a year in which four momentous things happened. First, on March 17, Mahler resigned the artistic directorship of the Vienna Court Opera, ending a 10-year term whose achievement has become legend. Mahler was drained by the struggles that were the price of that achievement, worn down by anti-Semitic attacks, and feeling the need to give more time to composition. He was not, however, able to resist the podium's lure, and on June 5 he signed a contract with the Metropolitan Opera in New York. Then, on July 5, his daughter Maria, four-and-a-half, died following a two-week battle with scarlet fever and diphtheria. A few days after the funeral, a physician delivered the verdict that things were not as they should be with Mahler's heart. Mahler, dedicated hiker, cyclist, and swimmer, was put on a regimen of depressingly restricted activity. Still, what happened from 1907 until 1911 is not the story of an invalid. During this period Mahler gave concerts throughout Europe, assumed directorship of the New York Philharmonic, and composed Das Lied von der Erde. And these are simply highlights of those years.

Symphony No. 9 in D Major (1910)

Gustav Mahler Born July 7, 1860 in Kalischt (Kaliště), near Humpolec, Bohemia Died May 18, 1911 in Vienna

UMS premiere: Bavarian Symphony Orchestra conducted by Rafael Kubelik, April 8, 1978 at Hill Auditorium.

SNAPSHOTS OF HISTORY...IN 1910:

- · Henry Ford sells 10,000 automobiles
- Stravinsky's first major work, the ballet The Firebird, is premiered in Paris
- The 1910 University of Michigan football team's defense does not give up a touchdown all season, earning recognition as the "Champions of the West"
- William D. Boyce founds the Boys Scouts of America
- The first air flight to deliver commercial freight takes place between Dayton and Columbus, Ohio

The Ninth Symphony's first movement is Mahler's greatest achievement in symphonic composition, the high point in his practice of the subtle art of transition, organic expansion, and continuous variation. In deep quiet, cellos and horn set a rhythmic frame. The notes are disconcertingly placed in the time flow; Leonard Bernstein suggested that their halting rhythm reflects the irregular pulse of Mahler's heart. Cellos and horn play the same pitch, 'A,' and it will be more than 50 measures before we meet a bar in which 'A' is not a crucial component. The harp begins a tolling about that low 'A,' while a stopped horn projects another thought in a variant of the faltering-pulse

rhythm. The accompaniment becomes denser, though it always remains transparent. All this prepares a melody that the second violins build step by step, full of literal or subtly varied repetitions.

We soon hear that the melody is in fact a duet, for the horn re-emerges with thoughts of its own on the material. The accompanying figures in the harp, clarinet, and divided lower strings use the same vocabulary - the same intervals and rhythmic patterns. Do the accompaniments reflect the melody, or is the melody the expansion of the elements that make up the ever-present, everchanging background? Before this melody is done growing, the first violins have replaced the horn as the seconds' duet partner, while clarinet and cellos cross the border, turning from accompanists into singers. Here you have a miraculous example of Mahler's inspired art of transition, so convincing in its appearance of utter spontaneity and natural growth. The transitions, moreover, exist in two dimensions - horizontal, as the melody proceeds from one event to the next, and vertical, in the integration of the melodic strands and their accompaniments.

This long opening melody keeps returning, always with new details of shape and texture. The most persistent element of contrast comes in an impassioned, thrusting theme in minor, whose stormy character is new but whose intervals, rhythms, and accompaniments continue the patterns established earlier. The "faltering pulse" and the harp tollings persist; dramatic abruptions shatter the seamless continuities; urgent trumpet signals mark towering climaxes. From one of these high points the music plunges into sudden quiet and the slowest tempo so far. The coda is virtually chamber music with simultaneous monologues of all but dissociated instruments. The space between events grows wider until at last, silence wins out over sound.

The second movement returns us forcefully to earth. Mahler always loved the vernacular, and here is one of his fantastical explorations of dance music. He shows us three kinds: a Ländler — leisurely, clumsy, heavy-footed, coarse (the adjectives are Mahler's); something quicker and more waltz-like; and another Ländler, lilting and sentimental. These tunes, tempos, and characters lend themselves to delightful combinations. This movement, too, finishes in a disintegrating coda.

Where the second movement was expansive and leisurely, the "Burleske" is music of violent urgency. It opens by hurling three distinct motifs at us. That concentration is fair warning of what is to follow, presented with a virtuosic display of contrapuntal craft. A contrasting trio brings a march and even some amiability. Deeply touching is the trumpet's shining transformation of one of the "Burleske's" most jagged themes into a melody of tenderly consoling warmth. But it is the fierce music that brings this movement to its crashing final cadence.

Now Mahler builds an "Adagio" to balance and, as it were, complete the first movement. He begins with a great cry of violins. All the strings, who are adjured to play with big tone, sound a richly textured hymn. Their song is interrupted by a quiet, virtually unaccompanied phrase of a single bassoon, but impassioned declamation resumes immediately. That other world, however, insists on its rights, and Mahler gives us passages of a ghostly and hollow music, very high and very low. Between the two extremes lies a great chasm. The two musics alternate, the hymnic song being more intense and urgent at each return. We hear echoes of Das Lied von der Erde and phrases from

the "Burleske."

Here, too, disintegration begins. All instruments but the strings fall silent. Cellos sing a phrase which they can scarcely bear to let go. Then, after a great stillness, the music seems to draw breath to begin again, even slower than before, and pianississimo (ppp) to the end. As though with infinite regret, with almost every trace of physicality removed, muted strings recall moments of their journey, and ours. The first violins, alone unmuted among their colleagues, remember something from still longer ago, the Kindertotenlieder, those laments on the

deaths of children that Mahler had written two years before death took his daughter Maria. "Der Tag ist schön auf jenen Höh'n!" — the day is so lovely on those heights. "Might this not," asks Mahler's biographer Michael Kennedy, "be his requiem for his daughter, dead only two years when he began to compose it, and for his long-dead brothers and sisters?" The music recedes. Grief gives way to peace, music and silence become one.

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ARTISTS

ICHAEL TILSON THOMAS

first conducted the San Francisco Symphony in



1974 and has been music director since 1995. A Los Angeles native, he studied with John Crown and Ingolf Dahl at

the University of Southern California, becoming Music Director of the Young Musicians Foundation Debut Orchestra at 19 and working with Stravinsky, Boulez, Stockhausen, and Copland at the famed Monday Evening Concerts. He was pianist and conductor for Piatigorsky and Heifetz master classes and, as a student of Friedelind Wagner, an assistant conductor at Bayreuth. In 1969, Mr. Tilson Thomas won the Koussevitzky Prize and was appointed assistant conductor of the Boston Symphony. Ten days later he came to international recognition, replacing Music Director William Steinberg in midconcert at Lincoln Center. He went on to become the BSO's associate conductor. then principal guest conductor. He has also served as director of the Oiai Festival, music director of the Buffalo

Philharmonic, a principal guest conductor of the Los Angeles Philharmonic, and principal conductor of the Great Woods Festival. He became principal conductor of the London Symphony Orchestra in 1988 and now serves as principal guest conductor. For a decade he served as coartistic director of Japan's Pacific Music Festival, which he and Leonard Bernstein inaugurated in 1990, and he continues as artistic director of the New World Symphony, which he founded in 1988. Michael Tilson Thomas's recordings have won numerous international awards, and his recorded repertory reflects interests arising from work as conductor, composer, and pianist. His television credits include the New York Philharmonic Young People's Concerts, and in 2004 he and the SFS launched Keeping Score on PBS-TV. His compositions include From the Diary of Anne Frank, Shówa/Shoáh (commemorating the 50th anniversary of the Hiroshima bombing), poems of Emily Dickinson, Urban Legend, Island Music, and Notturno. He is a Chevalier des Arts et des Lettres of France, was selected as Gramophone 2005 "Artist of the Year," was named one of "America's Best



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he SAN FRANCISCO SYMPHONY (SFS) gave its first concerts in December 1911. Its music directors have included Henry Hadley, Alfred Hertz, Basil Cameron, Issay Dobrowen, Pierre Monteux, Enrique Jordá, Josef Krips, Seiji Ozawa, Edo de Waart, Herbert Blomstedt, and, since 1995. Michael Tilson Thomas. The SFS has won such recording awards as France's Grand Prix du Disque, Britain's Gramophone Award, and Grammy Awards. For RCA Red Seal, Michael Tilson Thomas and the SFS have recorded music from Prokofiev's Romeo and Juliet, Berlioz's Symphonie fantastique, two Copland collections, a Gershwin collection, Stravinsky ballets (Le Sacre du printemps, The Firebird, and Perséphone), and Charles Ives: An American Journey. Their cycle of Mahler symphonies has received seven Grammys and is available on the Symphony's own label, SFS Media. The recording of John Adams's Harmonielehre and Short Ride in a Fast Machine won the 2013 Grammy Award for "Best Orchestral Performance."

Some of the most important conductors of the past and recent years have been guests on the SFS podium, among them Bruno Walter, Leopold Stokowski, Leonard Bernstein, and Sir Georg Solti, and the list of composers who have led the Orchestra includes Stravinsky, Ravel, Copland, and John Adams. The SFS Youth Orchestra, founded in 1980, has become known around the world, as has the SFS Chorus, heard on recordings and on the soundtracks of such films as Amadeus and Godfather III. For two decades, the SFS Adventures in Music program has brought music to every child in grades one through five in San Francisco's public schools. SFS radio broadcasts, the first in the US to feature symphonic music when they began in 1926, today carry the Orchestra's concerts across the country. In a multimedia program designed to make classical music accessible to people of all ages and backgrounds, the SFS has launched Keeping Score on PBS-TV, DVD, radio, and at the website www.keepingscore.org. San Francisco Symphony recordings are available at sfsymphony.org/store, as is a history of the SFS. Music for a City, Music for the World: 100 Years with the San Francisco Symphony.



Tonight's concert marks the **San Francisco Symphony**'s 13th appearance under UMS auspices. The SFS made its UMS debut in October 1980 under the baton of Edo de Waart at Hill Auditorium. The SFS most recently appeared in Ann Arbor with Michael Tilson Thomas in a weekend of performances in March 2012 as part of the SFS American Mavericks Festival, featuring guest artists including Jessye Norman, Meredith Monk, Emanuel Ax, and Jeremy Denk. The SFS and Michael Tilson Thomas were honored with UMS Distinguished Artist Awards at the 2010 Ford Honors Program. Maestro **Michael Tilson Thomas** makes his 16th appearance under UMS auspices tonight, following his UMS debut in April 1988 leading the Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra at the 95th May Festival at Hill Auditorium.

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FOR THEIR GENEROUS SUPPORT OF THIS AFTERNOON'S PERFORMANCE BY BROOKLYN RIDER AND BÉLA FLECK.





Johnny Gandelsman, *Violin* Colin Jacobsen, *Violin* Nicholas Cords, *Viola* Eric Jacobsen, *Cello*

Béla Fleck, Banjo

Sunday Afternoon, November 24, 2013 at 4:00 Rackham Auditorium • Ann Arbor

29th Performance of the 135th Annual Season 51st Annual Chamber Arts Series

Photo: Brooklyn Rider (left to right: Johnny Gandelsman, Eric Jacobsen, Colin Jacobsen, and Nicholas Cords) with Béla Fleck (center).

PROGRAM

This afternoon's program will be announced from the stage by the artists and will be performed with one intermission. The program will include the following:

Béla Fleck Night Flight Over Water

Tumbledown Creek Hunter's Moon The Escape

Lev "Ljova" Zhurbin Culai

The Game The Muse The Song Love Potion, Expired

Funeral Doina (for Culai)



Following this afternoon's concert, please feel free to remain in your seats and join us for a post-performance Q&A with artists from this performance.

This afternoon's performance is supported by Susan and Richard Gutow and Emily W. Bandera.

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Brooklyn Rider and Béla Fleck appear by arrangement with Opus 3 Artists, New York, NY.

Night Flight Over Water (2012)

Béla Fleck

Born July 10, 1958 in New York, New York

Perhaps this piece is about an escape after having been found out, and ejected from high society? Maybe the banjo player even stole something on the way out, so there is a hot pursuit? At any rate, I had survived the premiere of The Impostor, and found a record label that was interested in putting it out. The concerto was 36 minutes long, what would inhabit the rest of the CD? I had some discussions with various friends including Alexander Buhr from Universal Music, violinist Hilary Hahn, and my manager David Bendett. Of all my proposed ideas (which included composing solo banjo sonatas, percussion pieces, and duets with classical players) the one that had the most resonance to me was the idea of writing for banjo and string quartet. I knew this was a great untapped combination, from the years of listening to my cellist stepfather Joe Paladino playing chamber music, and also from a piece Edgar and I wrote together back in the early 1980's for the Blair String Quartet.

Now I needed to figure out who I was writing this piece for. I asked around about the string quartet Brooklyn Rider, who I was told about by Neil Benson, my new classical agent at Opus 3 Artists. The reaction was very positive from everyone I asked — these guys are really good at new music, and have a youthful sensibility that would make a lot of sense on a piece that likely would have many influences from outside of classical music. I listened to their music, and really enjoyed and respected their work. They were intrigued by the idea too — so it was on!

I started out writing Night Flight Over Water by composing a dozen or so sketches. I took these up North and Brooklyn Rider and I read through them together. The idea was that the ones that really worked out for this combination were the ones I would use

to build the piece. Unfortunately, these guys were so good that they made everything I had come up with sound amazing, so it was very hard to figure out what not to use. The good part is that now I knew that I could write virtually anything, and they would be able to make it come alive.

So I dug in and wrote the piece. At this point the Flecktones were on hiatus and I was touring Europe with the Malian Songbird Oumou Sangare, playing jazz festivals and touring with pianist Marcus Roberts. I had a couple of periods to isolate and write. One was in Amsterdam before the Oumou tour started, and the other was in Copenhagen. I did find myself enjoying writing on my computer with headphones, in restaurants, coffee joints, and parks. Something about watching people and maybe being a little distracted by the movement and humanity seemed to unlock my unconscious mind.

We workshopped the piece in August 2012 in Stillwater, Minnesota. Workshopping it in this case meant doing several days of work rehearsing the piece followed by an informal performance. At the end of this, I was able to study what we had done, make some final adjustments and be ready for the recording in Pittsboro, North Carolina in November 2012, Emil Kang at Carolina Performing Arts helped us to connect with Michael and Amy Tieman at Manifold Studios, and we did an informal performance there before we began the recording process. This really helped us to feel the arc of the music, and give it a live feel in the studio.

Program note by Béla Fleck.

This piece was commissioned by Clowes Memorial Hall of Butler University in honor of their 50th Anniversary and premiered on November 15, 2013.

Culai (2011-2012)

Lev "Ljova" Zhurbin Born August 18, 1978 in Moscow, Russia

"Culai" was the nickname of Nicolae Neacsu, the elder violinist and vocalist of the wild and infamous Gypsy ensemble, the Taraf de Haiidouks. Culai's trademark tugging of the bowhair across a string in the song Balada Conducatorlui has been widely seen by over 200,000 viewers on YouTube, in concerts worldwide, as well as in Tony Gatlif's film Latcho Drom.

Nicolae Neacsu died in 2002, and in writing this piece, I took much inspiration from the way he seduced the audience with his gaze, told stories of Gypsy life in Romania, and played violin, equally with the innocence of an amateur student, and the smirk of a professional who's been on the road for decades and had seen everything.

I first heard Gypsy music recordings in the informal street markets of my native Moscow, when I was barely seven years old. In 2005, I was asked to arrange several selections of the Taraf's repertoire for Yo-Yo Ma and the Silk Road Ensemble — a few months after that, I heard the Taraf perform live at Carnegie Hall. That year, I also met Inna Barmash, the vocalist of the New York-based Gypsy band Romashka, and now we are married with two beautiful children. In 2006.

while assisting Osvaldo Golijov on the film soundtrack to Francis Ford Coppola's Youth Without Youth, we visited the band's village of Clejani, near Bucharest, where I even played with the band for a few tunes.

Culai is cast in five movements that depict a vague "life cycle" story. The first movement, "The Game," is a jaunty dance, a sort of cat-and-mouse play; the second movement, "The Muse," juxtaposes a soaring melody over an accompaniment pattern that is in a slightly different pulse. The third movement, "The Song," was very much inspired by the singing of the Gypsy vocalist Romica Puceanu. The fourth movement, "Love Potion Expired," is an arrangement of a tune I had originally written for my ensemble, Ljova and the Kontraband, a breathless tarantella that perpetually falls onto itself. The last movement, "Funeral Doina," is imagined as music for a funeral procession, a last tribute to a master violinist and storyteller.

Program note by Ljova.

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ailed as "the future of chamber music" by Strings magazine, BROOKLYN RIDER

offers eclectic repertoire in gripping performances that continue to attract legions of fans and draw rave reviews from classical, world, and rock critics alike. The 2013-14 season sees Brooklyn Rider collaborate with banjo legend Béla Fleck on the Deutsche Grammophon/ Mercury Classics album The Impostor and on a 20-city North American tour. Other season highlights include collaborations with soprano Dawn Upshaw at residencies at the University of Texas at Austin and the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill in March, and the eighth season of the Stillwater Music Festival, a weeklong chamber festival in Minnesota founded by the group in 2006 as a place to unveil new repertoire and collaborations.

The quartet has been increasingly active in the recording studio, including the 2013 release A Walking Fire on Mercury Classics and the much-praised Brooklyn Rider Plays Philip Glass on the composer's Orange Mountain Music label. Violinist Johnny Gandelsman launched In A Circle Records in 2008 with the release of Brooklyn Rider's eclectic debut recording Passport, followed by Dominant Curve in 2010, and Seven Steps in 2012. A long-standing relationship between Brooklyn Rider and Kayhan Kalhor

resulted in the critically acclaimed 2008 recording, Silent City.

ÉLA ANTON LEOŠ FLECK was born in New York and named after Béla Bartók, Leoš Janáček, and Anton Webern, Mr. Fleck has been nominated for 30 Grammy Awards in more unique categories than any artist in Grammy history, winning 14 of them. Widely considered the premier banjo player alive today, Mr. Fleck is an artist who has completely redefined the limits of the instrument. First making his name in the seminal bluegrass ensemble New Grass Revival with Sam Bush, Mr. Fleck then formed The Flecktones which combined elements of jazz, jamband, and folk music and have become wildly popular for their brilliant genredefying live concerts. In 2001, Mr. Fleck finally delivered Perpetual Motion, his acclaimed foray into the classical world, which picked up two Grammy Awards. Since writing and performing concerti with double bassist Edgar Meyer and tabla master Zakir Hussain, Mr. Fleck made his Deutsche Grammophon debut in 2013 with his concerto for solo banjo, The Impostor, commissioned by and recorded with The Nashville Symphony. The concerto was paired with a banjo quintet performed by the dynamic young string quartet Brooklyn Rider.



This afternoon's performance marks **Brooklyn Rider**'s UMS debut as an ensemble. Its members have appeared with the Silk Road Ensemble and Yo-Yo Ma in March 2009 and March 2013 at Hill Auditorium. **Béla Fleck** makes his second UMS appearance this afternoon, following his UMS debut in February 2009 at Hill Auditorium as part of his Africa Project, which featured Bassekou Kouyaté and Ngoni Ba, Anania Ngoliga, and John Kitime.



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Part I

l Sinfonia

2	Arioso	Mr. Butterfield
	Isaiah 40:1	Comfort ye, comfort ye my people, saith your God.
	Isaiah 40: 2	Speak ye comfortably to Jerusalem, and cry unto her that her warfare is accomplished, that her iniquity is pardoned.
	Isaiah 40: 3	The voice of him that crieth in the wilderness: Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make straight in the desert a highway for our God.
3	Air	Mr. Butterfield
	Isaiah 40: 4	Every valley shall be exalted, and every hill and mountain made low: the crooked straight, and the rough places plain:
4	Chorus	
	Isaiah 40: 5	And the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together: for the mouth of the Lord hath spoken it.

5 Accompanied

recitative	Mr. Mix
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Haggai 2: 6	thus saith the Lord of hosts: Yet once, a little while, and I	
	will shake the heavens and the earth, the sea and the dry land;	
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Haggai 2:7 And I will shake all nations, and the desire of all nations shall

come: . . .

Malachi 3:1 ... the Lord, whom ye seek, shall suddenly come to his temple,even the messenger of the covenant, whom ye delight in:

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

6 Air Mr. Trudgen

Malachi 3: 2 But who may abide the day of his coming? And who shall stand when he appeareth? For he is like a refiner's fire, . . .

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7 Chorus

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

unto the Lord an offering in righteousness.

8 Recitative Mr. Trudgen

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

name Immanuel, "God-with-us."

9 Air and Chorus Mr. Trudgen

Isaiah 40: 9 O thou that tellest good tidings to Zion, get thee up into the

high mountain; O thou that tellest good tidings to Jerusalem, lift up thy voice with strength; lift it up, be not afraid; say unto the

cities of Judah: Behold your God!

Isaiah 60:1 Arise, shine; for thy light is come, and the glory of the Lord is risen

upon thee.

10 Arioso Mr. Mix

Isaiah 60: 2 For behold, ... darkness shall cover the earth, and gross

darkness the people: but the Lord shall arise upon thee, and

His glory shall be seen upon thee.

Isaiah 60: 3 And the Gentiles shall come to thy light, and kings to the

brightness of thy rising.

11 Air Mr. Mix

Isaiah 9:2 The people that walked in darkness have seen a great light: and

they that dwell in the land of the shadow of death, upon them

hath the light shined.

12 Chorus

Isaiah 9: 6 For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the

government shall be upon his shoulder, and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counselor, The Mighty God, The Everlasting

Father. The Prince of Peace.

13 Pifa (Pastoral Symphony)

14 Recitative Ms. Rae

Luke 2:8 ... there were ... shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch

over their flock by night.

15 Arioso Ms. Rae Luke 2: 9 And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid. 16 Recitative Ms. Rae Luke 2:10 And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. Luke 2: 11 For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, which is Christ the Lord. 17 Arioso Ms. Rae Luke 2:13 And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying, 18 Chorus Luke 2:14 Glory to God in the highest, and peace on earth, good will toward men. 19 Air Ms. Rae Zechariah 9:9 Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion; shout, O daughter of Jerusalem: behold, thy King cometh unto thee: he is the righteous Savior, ... Zechariah 9:10 ... and he shall speak peace unto the heathen: ... 20 Recitative Mr. Trudgen Then shall the eyes of the blind be opened, and the ears of the Isaiah 35:5 deaf . . . unstopped. Then shall the lame man leap as a hart, and the tongue of the Isaiah 35: 6 dumb shall sing: . . . Air Mr. Trudgen and Ms. Rae Isaiah 40:11 He shall feed his flock like a shepherd: and he shall gather the lead those that are with young.

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lambs with his arm, and carry them in his bosom, and . . . gently

Matthew 11: 28 Come unto Him, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and He

will give you rest.

Matthew 11: 29 Take His yoke upon you, and learn of Him, for He is meek and

lowly of heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls.

22 Chorus

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

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Part II

23 Chorus

John 1: 29 ... Behold, the Lamb of God, that taketh away the sin of the

world! . . .

24 Air Mr. Trudgen

Isaiah 53: 3 He was despised and rejected of men; a man of sorrows, and

acquainted with grief: . . .

Isaiah 50: 6 He gave his back to the smiters, and His cheeks to them that

plucked off the hair: He hid not His face from shame and spitting.

25 Chorus

Isaiah 53:4 Surely he hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows: . . .

Isaiah 53: 5 ... he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him:

and with his stripes are we healed.

26 Chorus

Isaiah 53:4 All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to

his own way; and the Lord hath laid on him the iniquity of us all.

27 Arioso Mr. Butterfield

Psalm 22: 7 All they that see him laugh him to scorn: they shoot our their

lips, and shake their heads, saving:

28 Chorus

Psalm 22: 8 He trusted in God that he would deliver him: let him deliver him,

if he delight in him.

29 Accompanied

recitative Mr. Butterfield

Psalm 69: 20 Thy rebuke hath broken his heart; he is full of heaviness: he

looked for some to have pity on him, but there was no man;

neither found he any to comfort him.

30 Arioso Mr. Butterfield

Lamentations 1:12 ... Behold and see if there be any sorrow like unto his sorrow ...

31 Accompanied

recitative Mr. Butterfield

Isaiah 53:8 ... he was cut off out of the land of the living: for the

transgressions of thy people was he stricken.

32 Air Mr. Butterfield
Psalm 16: 10 But thou didst not leave his soul in hell; nor didst thou suffer thy
Holy One to see corruption.

33 Chorus

Psalm 24:7 Lift up your heads, O ye gates; and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors; and the King of glory shall come in.

Psalm 24:8 Who is this King of glory? The Lord strong and mighty, the Lord

mighty in battle.

Psalm 24:9 Lift up your heads, O ye gates; and be ye lift up, ye everlasting

doors; and the King of glory shall come in.

Psalm 24:10 Who is this King of glory? The Lord of hosts, he is the King of glory.

34 Recitative Mr. Butterfield

Hebrews 1: 5 ... unto which of the angels said he at any time, Thou art my

son, this day have I begotten thee? ...

35 Chorus

Hebrews 1: 6 ... let all the angels of God worship him.

36 Air Mr. Trudgen

Psalm 68:18 Thou art gone up on high, thou has lead captivity captive: and

received gifts for men; yea, even for thine enemies, that the

Lord God might dwell among them.

37 Chorus

Psalm 68:11 The Lord gave the word: great was the company of the preachers.

38 Air Ms. Rae

Isaiah 52: 7 How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of

peace, and bring glad tidings of good things . . .

39 Chorus

Romans 10: 18 Their sound is gone out into all lands, and their words unto the

ends of the world.

40 Air Mr. Mix

Psalm 2:1 Why do the nations so furiously rage together, ... why do the

people imagine a vain thing?

Psalm 2: 2 The kings of the earth rise up, and the rulers take counsel

together against the Lord and his anointed, ...

41 Chorus

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

from us.

42 Recitative Mr. Butterfield

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

shall leave them in derision.

43 Air Mr. Butterfield

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

in pieces like a potter's vessel.

44 Chorus

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

Revelation 11: 15 ... The kingdom of this world is become the kingdom of our

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

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

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

Part III

45	Air	Ms. Rae
	Job 19: 25	I know that my redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth.
	Job 19: 26	And though worms destroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God.
	I Cor. 15: 20	For now is Christ risen from the dead, \dots the first fruits of them that sleep.
46	Chorus	
	I Cor. 15: 21	since by man came death, by man came also the resurrection of the dead.
	I Cor. 15: 22	For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive.
47	Accompanied	
	recitative	Mr. Mix
	I Cor. 15: 51	Behold, I tell you a mystery; we shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed,
	I Cor. 15: 52	In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye at the last trumpet:
48	Air	Mr. Mix
	I Cor. 15: 52	the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.
	I Cor. 15: 53	For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality.

49 Recitative Mr. Trudgen

1 Cor. 15: 54 ... then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory.

50 Duet Mr. Trudgen and Mr. Butterfield

I Cor. 15: 55O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory?I Cor. 15: 56The sting of death is sin; and the strength of sin is the law.

51 Chorus

I Cor. 15: 57 But thanks be to God, who giveth us the victory through our Lord lesus Christ.

52 Air Ms. Rae

Romans 8: 31 If God be for us, who can be against us?

Romans 8: 33 Who shall lay anything to the charge of God's elect? It is God

that justifieth.

Romans 8: 34 Who is he that condemneth? It is Christ that died, yea rather,

that is risen again, who is ... at the right hand of God, who ...

maketh intercession for us.

53 Chorus

Revelation 5: 12 ... Worthy is the Lamb that was slain and hath redeemed us to God by His blood to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honor, and glory, and blessing.

Revelation 5: 13 ... Blessing, and honor, ... glory, and power, be unto Him that sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb for ever and ever.

Amen.

Messiah (1741)

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

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

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

has often stated. Handel composed many of his works in haste, and immediately after completing *Messiah* he wrote his next oratorio, *Samson*, in a similarly brief time-span.

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

The tradition of performing Messiah at Christmas began later in the 18th century. Although the work was occasionally performed during Advent in Dublin, the oratorio was usually regarded in England as an entertainment for the penitential season of Lent, when performances of opera were banned. Messiah's extended musical focus on Christ's redeeming sacrifice also makes it particularly suitable for Passion Week and Holy Week, the periods when it was usually performed during Handel's lifetime. But in 1791, the Cæcilian Society of London began its annual Christmas performances, and in 1818 the Handel and Haydn Society of Boston gave the work's first complete performance in the US on Christmas Day - establishing a tradition that continues to the present. UMS is a direct result of this tradition. In 1879, a group of local university and townspeople gathered together to study Handel's Messiah; this group assumed the name "The Choral Union" and, in 1880, the members of the Choral Union established the University Musical Society.

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

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

For the believer and non-believer alike, Handel's Messiah is undoubtedly

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

Program note by Luke Howard.

ARTISTS

rammy Award-winning conductor JERRY BLACKSTONE is director



of choirs and chair of the conducting department at the U-M School of Music, Theatre & Dance where he conducts

the Chamber Choir, teaches conducting at the graduate level, and administers a choral program of 11 choirs. In February 2006, he received two Grammy Awards ("Best Choral Performance" and "Best Classical Album") as chorusmaster for the Naxos recording of William Bolcom's Songs of Innocence and of Experience. In 2006, the Chamber Choir performed by special invitation at the inaugural convention of the National Collegiate Choral Organization in San Antonio, and in 2003, the Chamber Choir presented three enthusiastically received performances in New York City at the National Convention of the American Choral Directors Association (ACDA). In addition to Dr. Blackstone's choral conducting work at the University, he has led operatic productions with the U-M Opera Theatre, including productions



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of Janáček's The Cunning Little Vixen and Strauss's Die Fledermaus. For his significant contributions to choral music in Michigan, he received the 2006 Maynard Klein Lifetime Achievement Award from the ACDA-Michigan chapter.

Dr. Blackstone is considered one of the country's leading conducting teachers and his students have received first place awards and been finalists in both the graduate and undergraduate divisions of the American Choral Directors Association biennial National Choral Conducting Awards competition. He has appeared as festival guest conductor and workshop presenter in 30 states as well as New Zealand, Hong Kong, Shanghai, and Australia.

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

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

hough still quite young in her career, American soprano
 BRENDA RAE is already



establishing herself as an exceptional artist in the world of opera. She has performed major roles with numerous internationally

recognized companies including Oper Frankfurt, the Wiener Staatsoper, the Bayerische Staatsoper, Opéra National de Paris, the Glyndebourne Festival, L'Opéra National de Bordeaux, the Hamburgische Staatsoper, Santa Fe Opera, and Carnegie Hall. Ms. Rae thrills audiences and critics alike in a wide range of repertoire, proving that she has truly become "a full-fledged prima donna." (Opera News, May 2013)

In the 2013-14 season, Ms. Rae returns to Oper Frankfurt as a member of its ensemble for three exciting productions. In the fall, she will sing the role of Zerbinetta in a new production of Ariadne auf Naxos directed by Brigitte Fassbaender and conducted by Sebastian Weigle. In the spring, she will add two new Mozart roles to her repertoire: Fiordiligi in Così fan tutte, and Donna Anna in a new production of Don Giovanni directed by Christof Loy. Performances outside of Frankfurt include Giulietta in Les Contes d'Hoffmann at the Bayerische Staatsoper, the soprano solos in Handel's Messiah with the University Musical Society in Ann Arbor, and a special gala concert in Carnegie Hall to celebrate Marilyn Horne's 80th birthday, where she will share the stage with an all-star lineup that includes Renée Fleming, Piotr Beczala, and Ms. Rae's former Juilliard classmate Isabel Leonard. She ends the season at Santa Fe Opera where she will sing Madame Popescu in Mozart's The Impresario and the Cook in Stravinsky's Le Rossignol.

he Chicago Tribune declared Canadian countertenor DAVID TRUDGEN to be "the next



generation's answer to David Daniels' for his appearance as Medoro in Chicago Opera Theater's production of Handel's

Orlando under the direction of Raymond Leppard. Mr. Trudgen recently shared the title role with Mr. Daniels in Michigan Opera Theatre's Giulio Cesare and will cover Mr. Daniels in the Canadian Opera Company's production of Hercules in 2014. Earlier in the current season, Mr. Trudgen will be heard in Carmina Burana with the Kingston Symphony followed by Pergolesi's Stabat Mater in a staged presentation by the National Ballet of Canada. Messiah figures prominently in his schedule with performances for the University Musical Society, Phoenix Symphony, and the Winston-Salem Symphony. As a recitalist, he will appear in the inaugural season of Recitals at Rosedale in Toronto.

Mr. Trudgen's most recent credits include a debut for Boston Baroque singing Armindo in Handel's Partenope; the title role in Orlando for Toronto's Opera in Concert; Messiah with Chorus Niagara of St. Catharines, Ontario; Arcano in Teseo in a return engagement for Chicago Opera Theatre; and the world premiere of Alice In Wonderland for Opera Theatre of St. Louis.

Mr. Trudgen is a graduate of the University of Michigan and holds a master's degree in vocal performance. Mr. Trudgen received the Earl V. Moore Award and has performed for David Daniels, Martina Arroyo, Colin Graham, Shirley Verrett, and Alan Curtis. Mr. Trudgen is a Michigan District Metropolitan Opera National Council Auditions winner and has appeared at the Kennedy Center in Washington,

DC singing scenes from *L'incoronazione* Di Poppea as a participant in the Kennedy Center Conservatory Project.

egarded by the Washington Post as a tenor who sings "...with taste, authority and agility..." and having "... a creamily sweet timbre..." (Opera News) tenor BENJAMIN BUTTERFIELD is equally at home in



the opera and concert repertoire having performed with companies from New York to San Francisco, Toronto to Vancouver:

London, Paris, and Rome to Israel and Taiwan. Mr. Butterfield opens his 2013–14 season with the North Carolina Symphony performing Beethoven's Symphony No. 9 under the baton of Maestro Grant Llewellyn. Mr. Butterfield continues his season by performing with the Universal Musical Society in Handel's Messiah, Victoria Symphony's presentation of Bach's Christmas Oratorio and their New Year's Day Concert, and with the Bach Choir of Bethlehem for Haydn's Creation Mass and their annual Bach Festival.

Recent opera performances have included singing the role of Frère Massée in Messiaen's St. François d'Assise with Kent Nagano and the Montreal Symphony as well as Tamino in The Magic Flute with the Toronto Symphony under Bernard Labadie. He also debuted the roles of Grimoaldo in Handel's Rodelinda and Jupiter in Semele for Timothy Vernon and Pacific Opera Victoria, and played Don Ottavio in Don Giovanni with Calgary Opera.

Mr. Butterfield teaches voice for the School of Music at the University of Victoria in British Columbia and he also teaches and performs at summer vocal training programs, including Opera Nuova (Edmonton), Opera on the Avalon (St. John's), the Amalfi Coast Music Festival (Italy), and VISI (Vancouver).

Recipient of a 2008 Richard Tucker Foundation Career Grant, baritone TIMOTHY MIX is



recognized for the beauty of his voice and his compelling stage presence. He received critical acclaim for his pivotal role as Edward

Gaines in the New York premiere of Richard Danielpour and Toni Morrison's Margaret Garner, a new production by Tazewell Thompson, for which he received New York City Opera's 2008 Christopher Keene Award.

A former Pittsburgh Opera Center artist, Mr. Mix has sung with the Pittsburgh Symphony, Baltimore Symphony, Asheville Symphony, the Yaraslavl Symphony in Russia, and the Finnish National Opera Orchestra. With Pittsburgh Opera, his performances include Baron Douphol in La Traviata, Don Fernando in Fidelio, and Count Almaviva in Le Nozze di Figaro. He was singled out for his outstanding performance as Henry Cuffe in a new Colin Graham production of Britten's Gloriana conducted by Steuart Bedford at Opera Theatre of St. Louis in their 2005 season. He has also sung the title role in Gianni Schicchi, Michele in Il Tabarro with Peabody Opera, and Stankar in Stiffelio at Sarasota Opera. Other roles in his repertoire include Valentin in Faust and Nick Shadow in The Rake's Progress. In concert, he has performed the Fauré Requiem, Beethoven's Ninth Symphony, and Handel's Israel in Egypt. He also has appeared in recital on tour in Russia.

Having received the Founder's Award from the Opera Theatre of Saint Louis and the Helen Jepson Dellera Award from the Bradenton Opera Guild, he has also received awards in several competitions, most notably the Mirjam Helen International Singing Competition, the Palm Beach Opera Competition, and the Metropolitan Opera National Council Auditions. In addition to being a 2007 recipient of a Sullivan Foundation grant, he was a first prize winner in the Rosa Ponselle All Marylanders Competition, the National Foundation for the Advancement of the Arts, and the Catherine Filene Shouse Youth Scholarship Competition.

DWARD PARMENTIER is professor of harpsichord and director of the Early Music



Ensemble at the U-M School of Music, Theatre & Dance. He has both led and directed doctoral seminars on campus,

several small Baroque ensembles, and codirects the Baroque Chamber Orchestra with Professor Aaron Berofsky. Other recent activities include a faculty recital on his new transposing double harpsichord from Holland; adjudicating and teaching at the harpsichord competition of the Midwest Historical Keyboard Society in Cincinnati, Ohio; teaching two U-M summer harpsichord workshops on J.P. Sweelinck and on the fundamentals of harpsichord performance and repertoire; and giving a keynote address, directing a concert, and conducting a master class at the Basso Continuo conference of the Westfield Center, held at Pacific Lutheran University in Tacoma, Washington.

A strong advocate for education and outreach, Mr. Parmentier both directed and performed at the annual Michigan Harpsichord Saturday, an outreach program held at the U-M School of Music, Theatre & Dance for young musicians in the Ann Arbor area. He has also had the privilege of performing for recovering patients at the Rehabilitation Center of the Multiple Sclerosis in Southfield, MI; for the Great Lakes Chamber Music Society; and for Redeemer Lutheran Church in St. Clair Shores, MI.

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ormed by a group of local university and townspeople who gathered together for the study of Handel's Messiah, the UMS CHORAL UNION has performed with many of the world's distinguished orchestras and conductors in its 135-year history. First led by Professor Henry Simmons Frieze and conducted by Professor Calvin Cady, the group assumed the name The Choral Union. Since its first performance of Handel's Messiah in December 1879, the oratorio has been performed by the UMS Choral Union in Ann Arbor annually. Based in Ann Arbor under the aegis of UMS, the 200-voice Choral Union is known for its definitive performances of large-scale works for chorus and orchestra. Eighteen years ago, the UMS Choral Union further enriched that tradition when it began appearing regularly with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra (DSO).

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

and U-M School of Music, Theatre & Dance ensembles. The recording won four Grammy Awards in 2006, including "Best Choral Performance" and "Best Classical Album." The recording was also selected as one of *The New York Times* "Best Classical Music CDs of 2004."

The UMS Choral Union's 2013/14 season begins with its annual performances of Handel's Messiah at Hill Auditorium with the Ann Arbor Symphony in December. The chorus will return to Detroit in January for performances of Carmina Burana with Leonard Slatkin and the DSO. In April, the

UMS Choral Union will perform Brahms's German Requiem under the baton of Jerry Blackstone with the Ann Arbor Symphony at Hill Auditorium. In May, women of the UMS Choral Union will perform Mahler's Symphony No. 3 with the DSO under the direction of Leonard Slatkin at Orchestra Hall in Detroit.

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



The UMS Choral Union began performing on December 16, 1879 and has presented Handel's Messiah in annual performances ever since. This weekend's performances mark the UMS Choral Union's 423rd and 424th appearances under UMS auspices. The chorus most recently appeared at UMS in the April 2013 collaboration with ensembles from the U-M School of Music, Theatre & Dance in a performance of Milhaud's Oresteian Trilogy conducted by Kenneth Kiesler. This weekend, Jerry Blackstone makes his 24th and 25th UMS appearances, following his debut leading the Choral Union in performances of Messiah in 2003 at the Michigan Theater. Dr. Blackstone most recently appeared under UMS auspices in December 2012 in last season's presentations of Handel's Messiah at Hill Auditorium. This weekend's performances mark the Ann Arbor Symphony Orchestra's 65th and 66th UMS appearances since its 1974 UMS debut. Soprano Brenda Rae makes her third and fourth UMS appearances this weekend, following her UMS debut in February 2013 as soloist in Handel's Radamisto with the English Concert and Maestro Harry Bicket. Ms. Rae most recently appeared at UMS in the April 2013 production of Milhaud's Oresteian Trilogy. Harpsichordist Edward Parmentier has performed in the annual UMS presentations of Messiah since 1995; this weekend's performances mark his 39th and 40th appearances under UMS auspices. UMS welcomes soloists David Trudgen, Benjamin Butterfield, and Timothy Mix. who make their UMS debuts this weekend.

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OB DRUMMOND is an award winning playwright, performer, and director from Glasgow. His wide ranging work includes the critically acclaimed WRESTLING (Arches, 2011), which involved five months professional wrestling training, and a modern retelling of The Passion (George Square, Glasgow 2011). Recent projects include The Riot of Spring, a response to Stravinsky's The Rite of Spring, where he worked with a choreographer for The Arches and National Theatre of Scotland's Auteurs Project, and Quiz Show (Traverse, Edinburgh). Bullet Catch was a huge hit at the 2012 Edinburgh Fringe, winning a Herald Angel Award and Total Theatre Award.

DAVID OVEREND trained at RADA and was Associate Artist at The Arches (2007–2010). Recent projects include The Pirate by Stuart Hepburn (Òran Mór, Glasgow, May 2013). Other directing credits include Rolls in Their Pockets and Top Table by Rob Drummond (Òran Mór); A Work on Progress, Midland Street, and Underneath the Arches (The Arches); Postshow, Demises, and The Gyntish Self (Liars); and Salome by Oscar Wilde (RADA). David is also a Lecturer in Performance at the University of the West of Scotland. For more information, please visit www.davidoverend.net.

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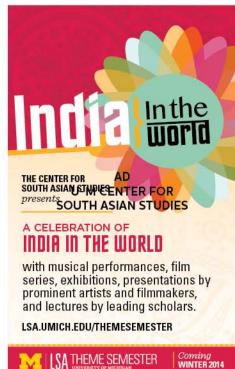


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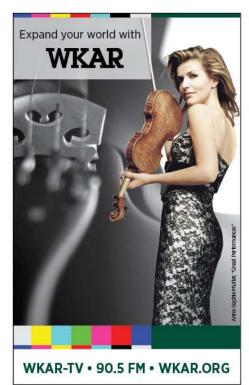
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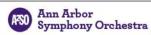


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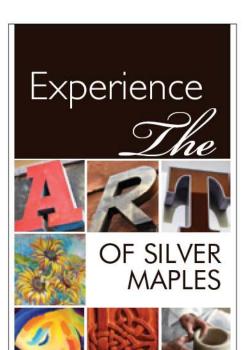
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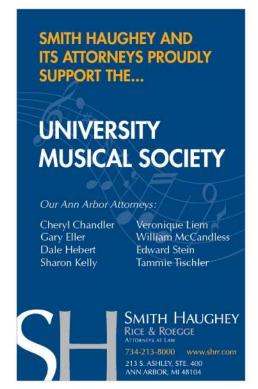
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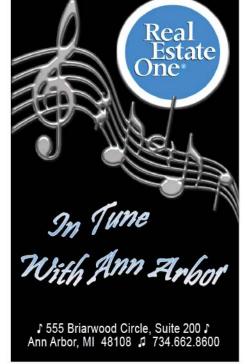
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