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The 1998-99 Winter Season

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UMS has been presenting performances in Ann Arbor for 120 years. During this time UMS has achieved a reputation for distinction in presenting the performing arts. The process of engaging world-class artists to perform in our community requires special knowledge, intuition, and skills. UMS is fortunate to have as our Director of Programming one of the best in presenting field, Michael Kondziolka.

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Ken Fischer (r) with Michael Kondziolka

respect for both artists and audiences has led us to find many new performance venues particularly appropriate for the specific art form being pre-

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Sincerely,

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From the UMS Chair

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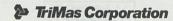
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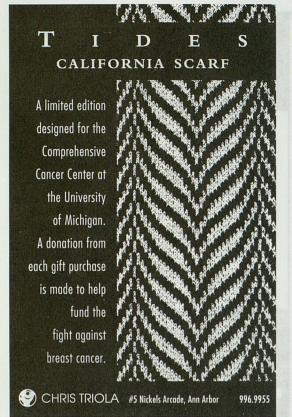
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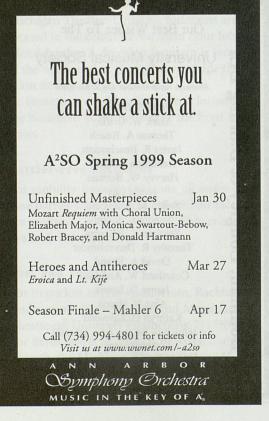
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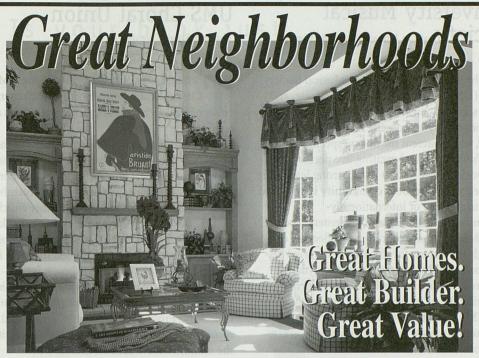


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Thomas Sheets, conductor

he goal of the University Musical Society (UMS) is clear: to engage, educate, and serve Michigan audiences by bringing to our community an ongoing series of world-class artists, who represent the diverse spectrum of today's vigorous and exciting live performing arts world. Over its 120 years, strong leadership coupled with a devoted community have placed UMS in a league of internationallyrecognized performing arts presenters. Today, the UMS seasonal program is a reflection of a thoughtful respect for this rich and varied history, balanced by a commitment to dynamic and creative visions of where the performing arts will take us in the next millennium. Every day UMS seeks to cultivate, nurture and stimulate public interest and participation in every facet of the live arts.

UMS grew from a group of local university and townspeople who gathered together for the study of Handel's *Messiah*. Led by Professor Henry Frieze and conducted by Professor Calvin Cady, the group assumed the name The Choral Union.

Since that first season in 1880, UMS has expanded greatly and now presents the very best from the full spectrum of the performing arts — internationally renowned recitalists and orchestras, dance and chamber ensembles, jazz and world music performers, and opera and theatre. Through educational endeavors, commissioning of new works, youth programs, artists residencies and other collaborative projects, UMS has maintained its reputation for quality, artistic distinction and innovation. UMS now hosts over 80 performances and more than 150 educational events each season.

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

hroughout its 120-year history, the UMS Choral Union has performed with many of the world's distinguished orchestras and conductors.

Based in Ann Arbor under the aegis of the University Musical Society, the 180-voice Choral Union remains best known for its annual performances of Handel's *Messiah* each December. Four years ago, the Choral Union further enriched that tradition when it began appearing regularly with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra. Among other works, the chorus has joined the DSO in Orchestra Hall and at Meadowbrook for subscription performances of Beethoven's *Symphony No. 9*, Orff's *Carmina Burana*, Ravel's *Daphnis et Chloé*, and Prokofiev's *Aleksandr Nevsky*, and has recorded Tchaikovsky's *The Snow Maiden* with the orchestra for Chandos, Ltd.

In 1995, the Choral Union began an artistic association with the Toledo Symphony, inaugurating the partnership with a performance of Britten's *War Requiem*, and continuing with performances of Berlioz' *Requiem*, Elgar's *The Dream of Gerontius* and Verdi's *Requiem*. During the 1996-97 season, the Choral Union again expanded its scope to include performances with the Grand Rapids Symphony, joining with them in a rare presentation of Mahler's *Symphony No. 8* (Symphony of a Thousand).

This season, the UMS Choral Union will perform in three major subscription series at Orchestra Hall with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra and Neeme Järvi, including performances of Brahms' A German Requiem, Kodály's Psalmus Hungaricus, and Rachmaninoff's monumental The Bells. Other programs include Handel's Messiah and Mozart's Requiem with the Ann Arbor Symphony Orchestra, and Carmina Burana with the Toledo Symphony.

Participation in the Choral Union remains open to all by audition. Representing a mixture of townspeople, students and faculty, members of the Choral Union share one common passion — a love of the choral art.

For more information about the UMS Choral Union, please call 734.763.8997.

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Auditoria

Hill Auditorium

Standing tall and proud in the heart of the University of Michigan campus, Hill Auditorium is associated with the best performing artists the world has to offer. Inaugurated at the 20th Annual Ann Arbor May Festival in 1913, the 4,163-seat Hill Auditorium has served as a showplace for a variety of important debuts and long relationships throughout the past 84 years.

Former U-M regent Arthur Hill bequeathed \$200,000 to the University for the construction of an auditorium for lectures, concerts and other university events. Then-UMS President Charles Sink raised an additional \$150,000, and the concert hall opened in 1913 with the Chicago Symphony Orchestra performing Beethoven's *Symphony No. 5*.

Hill Auditorium is slated for renovation in the coming years. Developed by Albert Kahn and Associates (architects of the original concert hall), the renovation plans include elevators, expanded bathroom facilities, air conditioning, greater backstage space, artists' dressing rooms, and many other improvements and patron conveniences.

Rackham Auditorium

cixty years ago, chamber music concerts in Ann Arbor were a relative rarity, presented in an assortment of venues including University Hall (the precursor to Hill Auditorium), Hill Auditorium, and Newberry Hall, the current home of the Kelsey Museum. When Horace H. Rackham, a Detroit lawyer who believed strongly in the importance of the study of human history and human thought, died in 1933, his will established the Horace H. Rackham and Mary A. Rackham Fund, which subsequently awarded the University of Michigan the funds not only to build the Horace H. Rackham Graduate School which houses the 1,129-seat Rackham Auditorium. but also to establish a \$4 million endowment to further the development of graduate studies.

Even more remarkable than the size of the gift is the fact that neither of the Rackhams ever attended the University of Michigan.

Power Center for the Performing Arts

The Power Center for the Performing Arts grew out of a realization that the University of Michigan had no adequate proscenium-stage theatre for the performing arts. The Power Center was designed to supply this missing link in design and seating capacity.

In 1963, Eugene and Sadye Power, together with their son Philip, wished to make a major gift to the University, and amidst a list of University priorities was mentioned "a new theatre." The Powers were immediately interested and The Power Center opened in 1971 with the world première of *The Grass Harp* (based on the novel by Truman Capote). No seat in the Power Center is more than 72 feet from the stage. The lobby of the Power Center features two hand-woven tapestries: *Modern Tapestry* by Roy Lichtenstein and *Volutes* by Pablo Picasso.

Michigan Theater

The historic 1,710-seat Michigan Theater opened January 5, 1928 at the peak of the vaudeville/ movie palace era. The gracious facade and beautiful interior housed not only the theater, but nine stores, offices on the second floor and bowling alleys running the length of the basement. As was the custom of the day, the theater was equipped to host both film and live stage events, with a full-size stage, dressing rooms, an orchestra pit, and the Barton Theater Organ, acclaimed as the best of its kind in the country. Restoration of the balcony, outer lobby and facade is planned for 2003.

St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church

In 1950, Father Leon Kennedy was appointed pastor of a new parish in Ann Arbor. Seventeen years later ground was broken to build a permanent church building, and in



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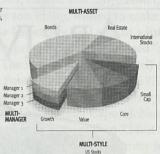
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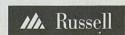
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Auditoria, continued

1969 John Cardinal Dearden dedicated the new St. Francis of Assisi Church. Father James McDougal was appointed pastor in 1997.

St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church has grown from 248 families when it first started in 1950 to more than 2,800 today. The present church seats 900 people and has ample free parking. In 1994 St. Francis purchased a splendid three manual "mechanical action" organ with thirty-four stops and forty-five ranks, built and installed by Orgues Letourneau from Saint Hyacinthe, Quebec. Through dedication, a commitment to superb liturgical music and a vision to the future, the parish improved the acoustics of the church building, and the reverberant sanctuary has made the church a gathering place for the enjoyment and contemplation of sacred a cappella choral music and early music ensembles.

Lydia Mendelssohn Theatre

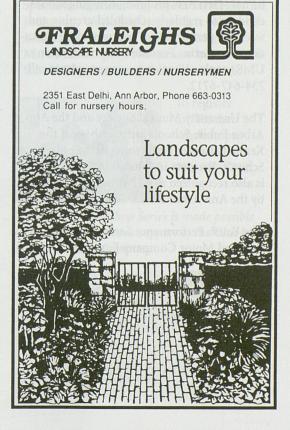
Now, with a new programmatic initiative to present song in recital, the superlative Mendelssohn Theatre for the 100th May Festival's Cabaret Ball. Now, with a new programmatic initiative to present song in recital, the superlative Mendelssohn Theatre has become a recent venue addition to the Musical Society's roster and the home of the Song Recital series.

Burton Memorial Tower

S een from miles away, this well-known University of Michigan and Ann Arbor landmark is the box office and administrative location for the University Musical Society.

Completed in 1935 and designed by Albert Kahn, the 10-story tower is built of Indiana limestone with a height of 212 feet. During the academic year, visitors may climb up to the observation deck and watch the carillon being played from noon to 12:30 pm weekdays when classes are in session and most Saturdays from 10:15 to 10:45 am.





Education and Audience Development

During the past year, the University Musical Society's Education and Audience Development program has grown significantly. With a goal of deepening the understanding of the importance of live performing arts as well as the major impact the arts can have in the community, UMS now seeks out active and dynamic collaborations and partnerships to reach into the many diverse communities it serves.

Several programs have been established to meet the goals of UMS' Education and Audience Development program, including specially designed Family and Student (K-12) performances. This year, more than 11,000 students will attend the Youth Performance Series, which includes The Harlem Nutcracker, Trinity Irish Dance Company, The Gospel at Colonus, Orpheus Chamber Orchestra with Pepe Romero, Kodo, and Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater. In addition to the Youth Performance Series, UMS inaugurates its new First Acts program, bringing school children to regularly scheduled evening and weekend performances and providing educational contexts. For more information on UMS youth education programs, please call 734-647-6712.

The University Musical Society and the Ann Arbor Public Schools are members of the Kennedy Center Performing Arts Centers and Schools: Partners in Education Program. UMS is also recognized as a "Partner in Excellence" by the Ann Arbor Public Schools.

The Youth Performance Series is sponsored by the Ford Motor Company Fund and Target.



Other activities that further the understanding of the artistic process and appreciation for the performing arts include:

MASTER OF ARTS INTERVIEW SERIES

Now entering its third year, this series is an opportunity to showcase and engage our artists in informal, yet in-depth, dialogues about their art form, their body of work and their upcoming performances. This Winter's series includes interviews with:

- Choreographer Merce Cunningham
- Composer Steve Reich and filmmaker Beryl Korot
- Artistic Director and Choreographer Judith Jamison



MITSUKO UCHIDA (r), INTERVIEWED BY SUSAN ISAACS NISBETT FOR THE MASTER OF ARTS INTERVIEW SERIES IN NOVEMBER 1998.

PREPS (PERFORMANCE-RELATED EDUCATIONAL PRESENTATIONS)

This series of pre-performance presentations features talks, demonstrations and workshops designed to provide context and insight into the performance. Led by local and national experts in their field, all PREPs are free and open to the public and begin one hour before curtain time. Some highlights from this year's series include:

- Professor Steven Whiting's lecture series on Beethoven with live demonstrations by U-M School of Music students precedes two concerts by the American String Quartet.
- David Vaughan, company archivist for the Merce Cunningham Dance Company, leads talks on Cunningham's 50-year body of work.
- Professor Kenn Cox interviews members of the Lincoln Center Jazz Orchestra,
- And other highlighted PREPs featuring Naomi André, Richard LeSueur and other experts.



DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION, BEN JOHNSON (r) HOSTS A MEET THE ARTIST WITH THE AMERICAN STRING QUARTET IN NOVEMBER.

RESIDENCY ACTIVITIES

UMS residencies cover a diverse spectrum of artistic interaction, providing more insight and greater contact with the artists. Residency activities include interviews, open rehearsals, lecture/demonstrations, in-class visits, master classes, workshops, seminars, symposia, and panel discussions. Most activities are free and open to the public and occur around the date of the artist's performances.

Major residencies for the 98/99 Winter Season include:

- American String Quartet/Beethoven the Contemporary Series
- · The Gospel at Colonus
- ImMERCEsion: The Merce Cunningham Dance Company

For detailed Residency Information, call 734-647-6712.

MEET THE ARTISTS: POST-PERFORMANCE DIALOGUES

The Meet the Artist Series provides a special opportunity for patrons who attend performances to gain additional understanding about the artists, performance and art form. Each Meet the Artist event occurs immediately after the performance, and the questionand-answer session takes place from the stage. This winter, patrons will have the opportunity to meet, among others:

- Choreographers Merce Cunningham and Meryl Tankard
- Members of the acapella group Sweet Honey in the Rock
- The American String Quartet and composer Kenneth Fuchs

TEACHER WORKSHOP SERIES

A series of workshops for all K-12 series, these workshops area a part of UMS' efforts to provide school teachers with professional development opportunities and to encourage on-going efforts to incorporate the arts in the curriculum. This Winter Season's workshops include three by Kennedy Center educators and three led by local experts tailored to UMS performances:

- Kodo, Monday, January 25, 4-6 p.m., Washtenaw Intermediate School District, Ann Arbor, Grades K-12.
- Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater, Tuesday, February 2, 4-6 p.m., Washtenaw Intermediate School District, Ann Arbor, Grades K-12.
- Storytelling: Involving Students in African Tales, Workshop leader: Dylan Pritchett, Kennedy Center Arts Educator, Monday, March 8, 4-7 p.m., Balas II building, Ann Arbor, Grades 1-6
- Special Education: Movement Strategies for Inclusion, Workshop leader: Eric Johnson, Kennedy Center Arts Educator, Monday, March 22, 4-7 p.m. Washtenaw Intermediate School District, Ann Arbor, Grades K-8.



To register for Teacher Workshops, please call 734-647-6712.

The Teacher Workshop Series is made possible in part by the generous support of the Charles Reinhart Realty Company.

Information on the above events can be found in the season listing in the following pages, the UMS Winter brochures, or on the UMS Website:

www.ums.org

1998-99 UMS Winter Season

Look for related Educational Events listed in blue.

JANUARY

TRINITY IRISH DANCE COMPANY

Thursday, January 7, 8 P.M.
Friday, January 8, 8 P.M.
Power Center
Meet the Artists Meet the Trinity dancers
in the lobby after the performance.
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GEORGE GERSHWIN:
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DANA HANCHARD, SOPRANO AND
TED KEEGAN, TENOR
STEVEN BLIER AND JOHN MUSTO,
PIANO

Saturday, January 9, 8 P.M.
Sunday, January 10, 4 P.M.
Lydia Mendelssohn Theatre
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RENÉE FLEMING, SOPRANO

Thursday, January 14, 8 P.M.
Hill Auditorium
PREP Naomi André, U-M Assistant
Professor of Music History and
Musicology. Thursday, January, 14,
7 p.m., MI League Hussey Room.
Meet the Artist post-performance
dialogue from the stage.

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THE GOSPEL AT COLONUS
FEATURING J.D. STEELE AND
SPECIAL GUEST JEVETTA STEELE
CLARENCE FOUNTAIN AND THE
BLIND BOYS OF ALABAMA
THE ORIGINAL SOUL STIRRERS
REVEREND EARL MILLER
THE DUKE ELLINGTON
CENTENNIAL CHOIR

Friday, January 15 – Saturday, January 16, 8 P.M.

Sunday, January 17, 3 P.M. Monday, January 18, 3 P.M.

Community Gospel Sing-Along with the cast of The Gospel at Colonus. Wed, Jan 13, 7 p.m. Martin Luther King Jr. Senior High School, 3200 E. Layfayette, Detroit. Call 734-647-6712 for information and registration.

Family Performance Special one-hour performance for parents and their children. Saturday, January 16, 2 p.m., Power Center. Sponsored by NBD. Co-presented with the Office of the Provost of the University of Michigan and presented with support from

the Lila Wallace-Reader's Digest Audiences for the Performing Arts Network, the Heartland Arts Fund, the National Endowment for the Arts, and the Michigan Council for Art and Cultural Affairs. Media Partner WEMU and Metro Times.

AMERICAN STRING QUARTET BEETHOVEN THE CONTEMPORARY

Thursday, January 28, 8 P.M.
Rackham Auditorium
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LINCOLN CENTER
DAVID SHIFRIN, ARTISTIC DIRECTOR
BENGT FORSBERG, PIANO

Friday, January 29, 8 P.M.
Lydia Mendelssohn Theatre
PREP "An Introduction to Scandinavian
Songs" by Richard Lesueur, Vocal Arts
Information Services, Fri, Jan 29, 7 p.m.
Michigan League, Hussey Room.
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AMERICAN STRING QUARTET BEETHOVEN THE CONTEMPORARY ONE-HOUR FAMILY PERFORMANCE

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Saturday, January 30, 2 P.M.
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FEBRUARY

AMERICAN STRING QUARTET
BEETHOVEN THE CONTEMPORARY

Sunday, February 7, 4 P.M. Rackham Auditorium

PREP "From Romeo to Leonore: The Operatic Quartet" by Steven Whiting, U-M Assistant Professor of Musicology, with U-M School of Music student musicians. Sun, Feb 7, 3 p.m. Michigan League, Vandenberg Room.

Meet the Artists Post-performance dialogue from the stage with the American String Quartet and composer Kenneth Fuchs. Lecture "Interdisciplinary Relationships in Music and the Fine Arts" by composer Kenneth Fuchs, Mon, Feb 8, 12 noon, School of Music, Room 2033.

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IMMERCESION: THE MERCE CUNNINGHAM DANCE COMPANY Friday, February 12 – Saturday,

February 13, 8 P.M. Power Center Brown-bag Lunch "Chance Patterns: Historic Moments in 50 years of Merce Cunningham's Choreography" by Kate Remen at the Institute for the Humanities on Merce Cunningham. Tue, Jan 12, 12 noon, U-M Institute for the Humanities. Merce Cunningham Mini Course-U-M under-grad and grad students earn 2 credit hours of Independent Study with Gay Delanghe with materials drawn from the Merce Cunningham Residency. Mass meeting held on January 9, 12 noon, U-M Dance Building, Studio A, or email delanghe@umich.edu for details. Family Workshop: Chance Encounters Parents and their children (ages 7 and up) explore visual art, dance and music in a workshop on Sat, Feb 6 which culminates in a free performance and reception at the Power Center on Wed, Feb 10; Workshop held at the Ann Arbor Art Center and Dance Gallery/Peter Sparling & Co. For

more information and registration call

the Ann Arbor Art Center, 994-8004 x 101

or walk-in registration at the Ann Arbor

Art Class: Random Patterns, taught at the Ann Arbor Art Center in conjunction with the Merce Cunningham Dance Company Residency. Sat, Feb 6, 9 a.m. For information and registration call the Ann Arbor Art Center, 994-8004 x 101, or walk-in registration at the Ann Arbor Art Center. Art Lecture: Costume and Image: Form? Function? Funky?, taught at the Ann Arbor Art Center in conjunction with the Merce Cunningham Dance Company Residency. Mon, Feb, 8, 7 p.m. For information and registration call the Ann Arbor Art Center, 994-8004 x 101, or walk-in registration at the Ann Arbor Art Center. Art Class: Drawn to Dance, taught by the Ann Arbor Art Center at the Power Center in conjunction with the Merce Cunningham Dance Company Residency. Sat, Feb 13,

Look for valuable information about UMS, the 1998/99 season, our venues, educational activities, and ticket information.

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11 a.m. For information and registration call the Ann Arbor Art Center, 994-8004 x 101, or walk-in registration at the Ann Arbor Art Center.

Lobby Exhibit Art from the Ann Arbor Public Schools, inspired by Merce Cunningham on display in the Power Center Lobby, Feb 1-14.

Brown-bag Lunch at the Institute for the Humanities on John Cage's Cartridge Music presented by Laura Kuhn, Director of the John Cage Trust, and U-M Professor Stephen Rush. Tues, Feb 9, 12 noon. U-M Institute for the Humanities. Music for Dance for choreographers and composers, with Laura Kuhn, Director of the John Cage Trust, and U-M Professor Stephen Rush. Tuesday, Feb 9, 2:45 p.m. U-M Dance Building Studio A.

Master of Arts Interview of choreographer

Merce Cunningham interviewed by Roger

Copeland, Professor of Theater and Dance at Oberlin College. Thu, Feb 11, 7 p.m. U-M Dance Building, Betty Pease Studio. Advanced Technique Master Classes taught by Meg Harper, Chair of the Cunningham Studio, at the U-M Dance Department, 10 places per class and 10 observers open to the public. Eight classes available: Tues and Thu, Feb 9 and 22, 11 a.m. and 12:45 p.m. Wed and Fri, Feb 10 and 12, 12:45 p.m. and 2:30 p.m. Call 734-

763-5460 to register. **LifeForms**—Computers and Choreography with U-M Professor Stephen Rush and Cunningham Company Archivist, David Vaughan. Fri, Feb 12, 9 a.m., Design Lab 1, Media Union.

PREP Cunningham Company Archivist, David Vaughan, leads a video discussion of Cunningham's choreography. Fri, Feb 12, 7 p.m., Modern Languages Building, Lecture Room.

Meet the Artist Post-performance dialogue from the stage, Fri, Feb 12.

Advanced Technique Master Class taught by Robert Swinston, Assistant to the Choreographer. Sat, Feb 13, 10:30 a.m., Dance Gallery/Peter Sparling & Co. To register, please call 734-747-8885.

Study Day and Open Rehearsal Company Archivist, David Vaughan, leads discussions of Cunningham and his collaborators works at an open rehearsal. Sat, Feb 13, 1 p.m., Power Center balcony. For more information and registration please call 734-647-6712.

PREP Cunningham Company Archivist, David Vaughan, leads a video discussion of Cunningham's choreography. Sat, Feb 13, 7 p.m., Michigan League, Hussey Room. Media Partner WDET and Metro Times.

MAXIM VENGEROV, VIOLIN IGOR URYASH, PIANO

Sunday, February 14, 4 P.M. Hill Auditorium Media Partner WGTE.

ORPHEUS CHAMBER ORCHESTRA PEPE ROMERO, GUITAR

Monday, February 15, 8 P.M. Rackham Auditorium Sponsored by CFI Group.

MERYL TANKARD AUSTRALIAN DANCE THEATRE

Friday, February 19 – Saturday, February 20, 8 P.M.

Power Center

Dance Theater Lecture Demonstration by Meryl Tankard, U-M Department of Dance, Studio A, Wed, Feb 17, 2:15 p.m. Master Classes at the U-M Department of Dance, Thu, Feb 18, 11 a.m. and 12:45 p.m., 10 places per class and 10 observer spaces open to the public. Call 734-763-5460 to register

PREP Video talk of Meryl Tankard's choreography, Fri, Feb 19, 7 p.m. Michigan League, Hussey Room.

PREP Video talk of Meryl Tankard's choreography, Sat, Feb 20, 7 p.m., Michigan League, Koessler Library.

Meet the Artist post-performance dialogue from the stage.

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MICHIGAN CHAMBER PLAYERS

FACULTY ARTISTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN SCHOOL OF MUSIC

Sunday, February 21, 4 P.M. Rackham Auditorium Complimentary Admission

KODO

Tuesday, February 23 – Thursday, February 25, 8 P.M.

Power Center

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MARCH

RESCHEDULED PERFORMANCE!

DAVID DANIELS, COUNTERTENOR MARTIN KATZ, PIANO

Sunday, March 7, 4 P.M. Lydia Mendelssohn Theatre

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JAMES GALWAY, FLUTE PHILLIP MOLL, PIANO

Thursday, March 11, 8 P.M. Hill Auditorium Sponsored by Parke-Davis Pharmaceutical Research. Media Partner WGTE.

ABBEY LINCOLN

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Michigan Theater
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TAKÁCS QUARTET

Thursday, March 18, 8 P.M. Rackham Auditorium

ALVIN AILEY AMERICAN DANCE THEATER

Friday, March 19 – Saturday, March 20,

Sunday, March 21, 4 P.M.

Power Center

PREP Video talk of signature Ailey choreography. Fri, March 19, 7 p.m. Michigan League, Vandenberg Room.

PREP Video talk of signature Ailey choreography. Sat, March 20, 7 p.m., Michigan League, Hussey Room.

Master of Arts Interview with artistic director and choreographer Judith Jamison, Sat, March 20, 2 p.m. location tbd. Sponsored by Forest Health Services and Mr. and Mrs. Randall Pittman Media

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Friday, March 26, 8 P.M. Hill Auditorium

Meet the Artists Post-performance dialogue from the stage.

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AMERICAN STRING QUARTET BEETHOVEN THE CONTEMPORARY

Sunday, March 28, 4 P.M.

Rackham Auditorium
Beethoven the Contemporary
Symposium Papers, panel discussions and keynote speaker on Beethoven and contemporary composers. Sat, March 27, 2

p.m. Rackham Amphitheater and Assembly Hall.

PREP "A Rhetoric of Disintegration" by Steven Whiting, U-M Assistant Professor of Musicology, with School of Music student musicians. Sun, March 28, 3 p.m. Rackham Assembly Hall.

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TRIO FONTENAY

Tuesday, March 30, 8 P.M. Rackham Auditorium

APRIL

STEVE REICH ENSEMBLE

Saturday, April 10, 8 P.M. Michigan Theater

Master of Arts Interview of composer Steve Reich and filmmaker Beryl Korot. Fri, April 9, 12 p.m. Michigan League, Vandenberg Room.

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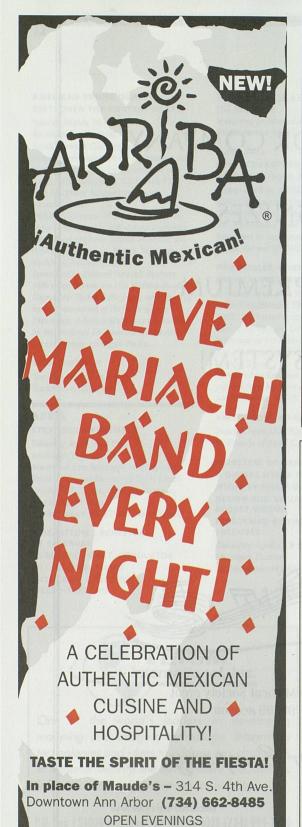
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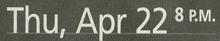
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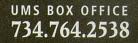


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Steve Reich

Drumming

Part II

Cassara, Kvistad, Preiss, Reich, Tilles, Wheeler, tuned drums and marimbas Eyden, Cairncross, sopranos

Reich

Different Trains

America — Before the war Europe — During the war After the war

Lim-Dutton, Reynolds, Rawls, LeBlanc with pre-recorded tape made by the Kronos Quartet

Reich/Korot

Hindenburg

Act I from Three Tales

A documentary video opera

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Drumming

Steve Reich Born October 3, 1936 in New York

For one year, between the fall of 1970 and the fall of 1971, I worked on what turned out to be the longest piece I had ever composed. *Drumming* lasts from fifty-five to seventy-five minutes (depending on the number of repeats played) and is divided into four parts that are performed without pause. The first part is for four pairs of tuned bongo drums, stand-mounted and played with sticks; the second, for three marimbas played by nine players together with two women's voices. This evening we will be performing Parts I and II only.

While first playing the drums during the process of composition, I found myself sometimes singing with them, using my voice to imitate the sounds they made. I began to understand that this might also be possible with marimbas as well. Thus the basic assumption about the voices in Drumming was that they would not sing words, but would precisely imitate the sounds of the instruments. The women's voices sing patterns resulting from the combination of two or more marimbas playing the identical repeating pattern one or more quarter notes out of phase with each other. By exactly imitating the sound of the instruments, and by gradually fading the patterns in and out, the singers cause them to slowly rise to the surface of the music and then to fade back into it, allowing the listener to hear these patterns, along with many others, actually sounding in the instruments.

Steve Reich

Different Trains

Reich

Different Trains (1988) for string quartet and tape begins a new way of composing that has its roots in my early taped speech pieces It's Gonna Rain (1965) and Come Out (1966). The basic idea is that speech recordings generate the musical material for musical instruments. The concept for the piece comes from my childhood. When I was one year old, my parents separated. My mother moved to Los Angeles and my father stayed in New York. Since they arranged divided custody, I traveled back and forth by train frequently between New York and Los Angeles from 1939 to 1942 accompanied by my governess. While these trips were exciting and romantic at the time, I now look back and think that, if I had been in Europe during this period, as a Jew I would have had to ride very different trains. With this in mind I wanted to make a piece that would accurately reflect the whole situation. In order to prepare the tape, I had to do the following:

- Record my governess Virginia, now in her seventies, reminiscing about our train trips together.
- 2. Record a retired Pullman porter, Lawrence Davis, now in his eighties, who used to ride lines between New York and Los Angeles, reminiscing about his life.
- Collect recordings of Holocaust survivors Rachella, Paul and Rachel — all about my age and now living in America — speaking of their experiences.
- 4. Collect recorded American and European train sounds of the 1930s and '40s.

In order to combine the taped speech with the string instruments I selected small speech samples that are more or less clearly pitched and then notated them as accurately as possible in musical notation. The strings then literally imitate the speech melody. The speech samples as well as the train sounds were transferred to tape with the use of sampling keyboards and a computer. The Kronos Quartet then made four separate string quartet recordings which were combined with the speech and train sounds to create the finished work.

Different Trains is in three movements, though that term is stretched here since tempos change frequently in each movement. They are:

America — Before the war. Europe — During the war. After the war.

The piece thus presents both a documentary and musical reality, and begins a new musical direction.

Steve Reich

America - Before the war

Virginia: "from Chicago to New York" Virginia: "one of the fastest trains"

Mr. Davis: "the crack* train from New York" Mr. Davis: "from New York to Los Angeles"

Virginia: "different trains every time" Virginia: "from Chicago to New York"

Virginia: "in 1939" Mr. Davis: "1939" Mr. Davis: "1940" Mr. Davis: "1941"

Virginia: "1941 I guess it must've been"

Europe - During the war

Rachella: "1940"

Rachella: "on my birthday"

Rachella: "The Germans walked in" Rachella: "walked into Holland" Paul: "Germans invaded Hungary" Paul: "I was in second grade"

Paul: "I had a teacher"

Paul: "a very tall man, his hair was concretely plastered smooth"

Paul: "He said, 'Black Crows invaded our country many years ago'"

Paul: "and he pointed right at me"

Rachel: "No more school" Rachel: "You must go away"

Rachella: "and she said, 'Quick, go!"
Rachella: "and he said, 'Don't breathe!"

Rachella: "into those cattle wagons"

Rachella: "for four days and four nights" Rachella: "and then we went through these

strange-sounding names"

Rachella: "Polish names"

Rachella: "Lots of cattle wagons there" Rachella: "They were loaded with people"

Rachella: "They shaved us"

Rachella: "They tattooed a number on our

arm"

Rachella: "Flames going up to the sky – it was smoking"

After the war

Paul: "and the war was over"

Rachella: "are you sure?" Rachella: "The war is over"

Rachella: "going to America" Rachella: "to Los Angeles"

Rachella: "to New York"

Mr. Davis: "from New York to Los Angeles"

Virginia: "one of the fastest trains" Mr. Davis: "but today, they're all gone"

Rachella: "There was one girl, who had a

beautiful voice"

Rachella: "and they loved to listen to the

singing, the Germans"

Rachella: "and when she stopped singing they said, 'More, more' and they applauded"

^{*&}quot;Crack" in the older sense of "best"

Hindenburg

Act I from *Three Tales*A documentary video opera

Scene 1
It Could Not Have Been a Technical Matter

Scene 2 Mythic Stature

Scene 3 Nibelung Zeppelin

Scene 4
A Very Impressive Thing to See

Scene 5 I Couldn't Understand It

Total duration: approximately twenty-five minutes

Three Tales is about three well known events from the early, middle and late twentieth century, "Hindenburg," "Bikini," "Dolly." Each one reflects on the growth and implications of technology during the twentieth century. A debate about the physical, ethical, religious and spiritual nature of this expanding technological development has continued and grown pervasive since 1945. Three Tales engages this conflict using these three events as iconic historical markers.

The first tale, "Hindenburg," utilizes footage, photographs and text about the famous zeppelin which exploded in 1937 and about General Paul von Hindenburg after whom it was named.

The second, "Bikini," will be based on footage, photographs and text from the atomic bomb test at Bikini atoll in 1946. We will also use footage of Bikini islanders who had to leave their home as well as footage of American sailors who were deformed and later died of their exposure to radioactivity during the tests. Footage about the bathing suit of the same name may also be used.

The third tale, "Dolly," will use footage, photographs and text from the cloning of an adult sheep in Scotland in 1997. Material from the intensifying debate about the ethics of genetic and biological research will be included. Footage about the growth of the computer, the technological underpinning of genetic and biotechnical research, will also be dealt with.

Throughout the three acts, from time to time, there will be comments by witnesses to these events, as well as by members of the scientific, historical and religious communities.

The complete work is scheduled for the fall of 2001.

The music in the first scene, 'It Could Not Have Been a Technical Matter,' begins with two snare drummers, drumming out the headline for the May 7, 1937 edition of The New York Times announcing the crash of the Hindenburg air ship in Lakehurst, New Jersey. This is followed by drumming out a quote from the German ambassador to the United States given to that newspaper on the same day of the zeppelin crash: "It could not have been a technical matter." This text is then sung as a three-part canon by three tenors as the video shows multiple images of the crash and newspaper text about it. As the tenors continue their canon, the edited voice of the famous radio announcer. Herb Morrison, who described the crash, is heard first by himself and then doubled in canon. After changing key, this five-part canon for live and pre-recorded voices begins to augment as the video begins to show the crash in slow motion. The radio announcer's voice is also slowed down without changing its pitch through the use of a computer. This increasingly slow motion music and video comes to a halt on an altered G-dominant chord. The video throughout combines archival footage, text, stills and silhouettes arranged in constantly changing permutations.

The second scene, 'Mythic Stature,' turns to General Hindenburg. The video shows

nine smaller screens arranged in three stripes. The images begin with World War I and the Great Depression in Germany that followed it. The scene continues with Hindenburg's election as the elderly, last President of the Weimar Republic, and his disastrous appointing of Adoph Hitler as Chancellor in 1933. The music is composed of overlapping and conflicting rhythmic values. Harmonically, the second scene ends on the same altered G dominant that ended the zeppelin crash in the first scene.

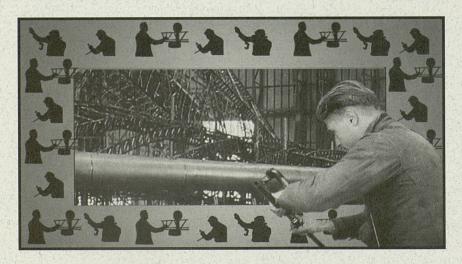
Scene three, 'Nibelung Zeppelin,' shows German workers in the factory near Frankfurt, constructing the Hindenburg zeppelin in 1936. Individual workers are "cut out" and placed in animated patterns, sometimes alone and sometimes in the context of the archival footage. The music takes the Nibelung leitmotif from Wagner's Das Rheingold and uses it as a repeating pattern played against itself in canonic variations. Wagner's dominant pedal harmony (transposed from b-flat minor to f minor) is also maintained and extended in length. At the end you see the enormous finished Zeppelin, huge swastikas on its tail fins, a showpiece for Nazi Germany which, in many ways, realized Wagner's ideals.

'A Very Impressive Thing To See,' scene four, is arranged in six video images that might suggest moving postcards of the Hindenburg in flight. Musically it is a short "slow movement" on a mostly D-dominant pedal supplied by the drone of the Hindenburg's engines. Freye von Moltke, who saw the Hindenburg when she lived in Germany, recalls her reactions.

The final scene, 'I Couldn't Understand It,' begins again with drummed out text from the May 7, 1937 edition of The New York Times, "Captain Ernst Lehmann gasped, 'I couldn't understand it,' as he staggered out of the burning control car." The video shows navy crews in Lakehurst, New Jersey trying to put out the fires in the burning wreckage of the Hindenburg. Together with text, this appears in full screen images, six simultaneous images arranged in two stripes and slow motion pans of the wreckage which finally include the wing of an airplane that will prove the future of aviation. Musically, this scene refers back to the first with the recurring altered G-dominant chord. Again, the three tenors sing in canon and again their canon is augmented and joined with a newsreel announcer's voice that also is stretched out in time by computer to produce a sound equivalent to the slow motion video.

All aspects of the video were created on computer by the artist in her studio.

Steve Reich and Beryl Korot March 1998



Scene 1

'It Could Not Have Been a Technical Matter'

New York Times headline May 7, 1937 — drummed out:

Hindenburg burns in Lakehurst crash, 21 known Dead, 12 missing, 64 escape.

Quote from the German ambassador — drummed and sung in three parts by three tenors: "It could not have been a technical matter."

Moving text:

Europe by air in 2 1/2 days — Special! Special! — Hindenburg explodes — Scores dead — Disaster ascribed to gas by experts Sabotage is conjectured — Germany shocked by the tragedy — Washington sees dangerous combination of hydrogen and blue gas - Dr. Hans Luther, the German Ambassador, said the disaster must not cause the world to lose faith in dirigibles and that it could not have been caused by technical defects — What began as a routine landing of the transatlantic airship ended in a holocaust — "Run for your lives," someone in the ground crew yelled, and the crew did - The stern of the ship settled and squinting through the viewfinders of their cameras, the photographers ran toward the ship — Washington, May 6 — Chairman Copeland of the Senate committee investigating air safety said tonight he would order the committee investigator to begin an inquiry "at once" into the disaster of the German airliner Hindenburg — Sparks from engine or static believed to have ignited hydrogen gas.

Radio announcer Herb Morrison:

It flashed, it flashed and it's crashing, it's crashing terrible.

It burst, it burst into flame.

Get this Scotty! Get this Scotty!

It flashed, it flashed and it's crashing. Bursting, bursting into flame. Oh, it's in flames. Get this, get this Scotty.

Bursting into flame, into flame. Get this Scotty! It flashed and it's crashing, it flashed. It's crashing terrible. Get this, get this Scotty.

It burst, it burst into flame, into flame. It flashed, it flashed and it's crashing.

Oh, it flashed. It's crashing terrible. Get this, get this Scotty.

Scene 2

'Mythic Stature'

H. Zipper: "During World War I,
Hindenburg was the great hero."
M. Ermarth: "Blown up into mythic stature."
M. Ermarth: "Could steer Germany through the great depression."
F. von Moltke: "We voted for him."
M. Ermarth: "He's the last President of the Weimar Republic."
F. von Moltke: "He was too old."
M. Ermarth: "He had no real instincts to recognize the potential evil in this man."
H. Zipper: "They didn't listen to the words."

Scene 3

'Nibelung Zeppelin'

no text

Scene 4

'A Very Impressive Thing to See'

F. von Moltke: "It was enormous and it was like silver,"

F. von Moltke: "and it sort of made a humming noise,"

F. von Moltke: "a very impressive thing to see."

F. von Moltke: "Have you seen pictures?"
F. von Moltke: "Why do such a thing?"

F. von Moltke: "Why have such a cigar, huge

silver cigar in the sky?"

F. von Moltke: "That's another matter."

Scene 5

'I Couldn't Understand It'

The New York Times, May 7, 1937: drummed out and sung by three tenors: Captain Ernst Lehmann gasped, "I couldn't understand it," as he staggered out of the burning control car.

Newsreel announcer's voice from 1937:

The Hindenburg has gone. Her tragedy will not halt the march of progress. From her ashes will arise the knowledge, from her fate, the lesson, that will lead to a greater and a better means of mastering the air. If so, her dead will not have died in vain.

The Hindenburg has gone. She was the largest thing that ever flew. She represented man's latest attempt to conquer the Atlantic by air. Her tragedy will not halt the march of progress.

Biographical notes

on interviewees in Scenes 2 and 4

Herbert Zipper was born in Vienna in 1904. He was trained as a conductor and composer. He grew up during World War I and lived through Hindenburg's presidency and Hitler's rise to power. As a Jew he was sent to Dachau concentration camp in 1938 where he managed to compose at night and organize an orchestra that played in the latrine. He was later sent to Buchenwald but managed to survive. He then organized and conducted an orchestra in Manila, Phillipines. After the war he conducted orchestras in Brooklyn, Chicago and Los Angeles. He died in Los Angeles in 1997.

Michael Ermarth is Professor of German history at Dartmouth College in New Hampshire.

Freya von Moltke is the widow of Helmuth James von Moltke, the German aristocrat who served in the *Abwehr* or German Intelligence Service in World War II where he worked to undermine Hitler. He was found out and hung in 1944. Freya lived in Germany during World War I, through Hindenburg's presidency and Hitler's rise to power. She lives in Hanover, New Hampshire.

teve Reich has been recognized internationally as one of the world's foremost living composers. From his early taped speeches It's Gonna Rain (1965) and Come Out (1966) to his and video artist Beryl Korot's music-theater piece with video, The Cave (1993), Mr. Reich's path has embraced not only aspects of Western Classical music, but the structures, harmonies, and rhythms of non-Western and American vernacular music, particularly jazz. Mr. Reich's work has been hailed by the Washington Post as "absolutely spellbinding...so original in impulse and form that it challenges all past assumptions about the goals of the art...intensely visceral and frequently almost hallucinogenic in impact."

Born in New York and raised there and in California, Mr. Reich graduated with honors in philosophy from Cornell University in 1957. For the next two years, he studied composition with Hall Overton, and from 1958 to 1961 he studied at The Juilliard School of Music with William Bergsma and Vincent Persichetti. Mr. Reich received his M.A. in Music from Mills College in 1963, where he worked with Darius Milhaud and Luciano Berio.

During the summer of 1970, with the help of a grant from the Institute for International Education, Mr. Reich studied drumming at the Institute for African Studies at the University of Ghana in Accra. In 1973 and 1974 he studied Balinese Gamelan Semar Pegulingan and Gamelan Gambang at the American Society for Eastern Arts in Seattle and Berkeley, California. From 1976 to 1977 he studied the traditional forms of cantillation (chanting) of the Hebrew scriptures in New York and Jerusalem.

In 1966 Steve Reich founded his own ensemble of three musicians, which rapidly grew to eighteen members or more. Since 1971, Steve Reich and Musicians have fre-



Steve Reich

quently toured the world, and have the distinction of performing to sold-out houses at venues as diverse as Carnegie Hall and the Bottom Line Cabaret.

Mr. Reich's 1988 piece, Different Trains, marked a new compositional method, rooted in It's Gonna Rain and Come Out, in which speech recordings generate the musical material for musical instruments. The New York Times hailed Different Trains as "a work of such astonishing originality that breakthrough seems the only possible description...ossesses an absolutely harrowing emotional impact." In 1990, Mr. Reich received a Grammy Award for "Best Contemporary Composition" for Different Trains as recorded by the Kronos Quartet on the Nonesuch label.

The Cave, Steve Reich and Beryl Korot's music-theater video piece exploring the Biblical story of Abraham, Sarah, Hagar, Ishmael and Isaac, was hailed by Time Magazine as "a fascinating glimpse of what opera might be like in the twenty-first century." Epic in proportion, the five-screen, eighteen-musician production consists of edited documentary video footage timed with live and sampled music. Videotaped interviews, from which speech melodies and computer-generated video stills were taken, were collected over a four-year period on

trips to the Middle East, New York City and Austin, TX. Commissioned by the Vienna Festival, the Holland Festival, the Festival d'Automne in Paris, the Hebbel Theater in Berlin, the Theatre de la Monnaie in Brussels and the South Bank Centre/Serious Speakout, London, together with the Brooklyn Academy of Music, The Cave was premièred in Vienna on May 15, 1993, toured Europe, and opened the Brooklyn Academy of Music's Next Wave Festival in October 1993. A recording of The Cave was released to critical acclaim on the Nonesuch label in October 1995, and a new touring version of the work was premièred in Chicago in April 1996, with additional performances in Los Angeles in May 1997. Of the Chicago première, John von Rhein of the Chicago Tribune wrote, "The techniques embraced by this work have the potential to enrich opera as living art a thousandfold... The Cave impresses, ultimately, as a powerful and imaginative work of high-tech music theater that brings the troubled present into resonant dialogue with the ancient past, and invites all of us to consider anew our shared cultural heritage."

Mr. Reich's recent commissions have resulted in two works, City Life and Proverb. City Life, which features such sampled sounds of the city as car horns, door slams, air brakes, sub-way chimes, pile drivers, car alarms, heartbeats, boat horns, buoys, and fire and police sirens, was commissioned by Ensemble Modern, the London Sinfonietta, and the Ensemble Intercon-temporain and was premièred in Paris, Berlin, Frankfurt, Cologne, Vienna and London in the spring of 1995. It received its US première at Tanglewood in August 1995 and its New York première at Lincoln Center in February 1996. Mr. Reich's most recent work, Proverb, scored for five voices, two keyboards and two percussion, is set to text by Ludwig Wittgenstein. It was co-commissioned by the BBC Proms for their 100th

Anniversary season and by the Utrecht Early Music Festival, received its world première at the Royal Albert Hall in September 1995, and was premièred in the US by Steve Reich and Musicians and Theatre of Voices, Paul Hillier, director, at Lincoln Center in February 1996. A Nonesuch recording of City Life and Proverb was released in October 1996. In June 1997, in celebration of Mr. Reich's sixtieth birthday, Nonesuch released a ten-CD retrospective box set of Mr. Reich's compositions, featuring several newly-recorded and re-mastered works. He also recently won a Grammy award for Best Small Ensemble for his piece Music for 18 Musicians, also on the Nonesuch label. July 1999 will bring a major retrospective of Mr. Reich's work, presented by the Lincoln Center Festival.

Three Tales, a three-part documentary video opera, is a new collaborative work by Steve Reich and Beryl Korot about three well known events from the twentieth century, reflecting on the growth and implications of technology in the twentieth century: "Hindenburg," on the crash of the German zepplin in New Jersey in 1937; "Bikini," on the Atom bomb test at Bikini atoll in 1946; and "Dolly," on the issue of genetic engineering and cloning in the 1990s. Three Tales is a three act music theater work in which historical film and video footage, video taped interviews, photographs, text, and specially constructed stills will be recreated on computer, transferred to video tape and projected on one large screen. Musicians and singers will take their places on stage along with the screen, presenting the debate about the physical, ethical, religious and spiritual nature of technological development. The first act, "Hindenburg," premièred at the Bonn State Opera in June 1997 as a "work in progress," and the same toured in Europe in September 1997. "Hindenburg" had its US première at the Spoleto USA Festival in

Charleston, SC in May 1998 followed by October 1998 performances at the Brooklyn Academy of Music.

Over the years, Steve Reich has received commissions from the Holland Festival; San Francisco Symphony; the Rothko Chapel; flutist Ransom Wilson; the Brooklyn Academy of Music for guitarist Pat Metheny; West German Radio, Cologne; the Music Foundation for clarinetist Richard Stoltzman; the Saint Louis Symphony Orchestra; Betty Freeman for the Kronos Quartet; and Festival d'Automne, Paris, for the 200th anniversary of the French Revolution.

Steve Reich's music has been performed by major orchestras around the world, including the New York Philharmonic conducted by Zubin Mehta; the San Francisco Symphony conducted by Michael Tilson Thomas; the Saint Louis Symphony conducted by Leonard Slatkin; the Brooklyn Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Kent Nagano; the Los Angeles Philharmonic conducted by Neal Stulberg; the BBC Symphony conducted by Peter Eötvös; and the Boston Symphony Orchestra conducted by Michael Tilson Thomas.

Several noted choreographers have created dances to Steve Reich's music, including Anne Teresa de Keersmacker (*Fase*, 1983, set to four early works), Jirí Kylían (*Falling Angels*, set to *Drumming*, Part I), Jerome Robbins for the New York City Ballet (*Eight Lines*) and Laura Dean, who commissioned *Sextet*. That ballet, entitled *Impact*, was premièred at the Brooklyn Academy of Music's Next Wave Festival, and earned Steve Reich and Laura Dean a Bessie Award in 1986. Other major choreographers using Mr. Reich's music include Eliot Feld, Alvin Ailey, Lar Lubovitch, Maurice Bejart, Lucinda Childs, Siobhan Davies and Richard Alston.

In 1994 Steve Reich was elected to the American Academy of Arts and Letters.

Tonight's performance marks The Steve Reich Ensemble's debut appearance under UMS auspices. eryl Korot is an early pioneer of video art, and of multiple channel work in particular. She was co-founder and co-editor of Radical Software (1970), the first publication to document artists' work and ideas concerning video, and in 1976 she coedited Video Art with Ira Schneider, published by Harcourt Brace Jovanovich. Her most recent video work for music theatre is created entirely on computer.

Korot's early multiple channel installation works: the four-channel *Dachau 1974* and *Text and Commentary*, (1977) a five-channel video work which incorporated drawings, weavings and notations, pioneered the creation of the non-verbal narrative. These works were featured for a month at the Whitney Museum of American Art in 1980 as "important in video history for their formal articulation of multi-monitor image structure and the integration of the video image with other media."

From 1989 to 1993, Beryl Korot worked full-time on the multiple-channel performance work, The Cave, which she conceived and developed in collaboration with composer Steve Reich. This work has been performed in Vienna, Berlin, Amsterdam, New York City, London, Paris, Brussels, Turin and Tokyo. The installation of the work was exhibited at The Whitney Museum of American Art in New York City, and traveled in 1994/95 to European museums in Dusseldorf, Germany; Madrid, Spain; Lille, France; and to the Carnegie Museum in Pittsburgh, PA. Most recently it was seen in the ICC Gallery in Tokyo. At present, a new collaboration with Steve Reich called Three Tales, had been presented in Bonn in June, 1997 as a work in progress, as well as in the Fall of 1997 in Paris, Vienna, Amsterdam, Berlin and London. Act I of Three Tales, "Hindenburg," was performed at the Spoleto Festival in South Carolina in May 1998, and in Munich and New York at the Brooklyn



Beryl Korot

Academy of
Music in Fall,
1998. In
January and
February 1999,
"Hindenburg"
was presented
as a twentyfive-foot screen
installation
work at the
Massachusetts
College of Art
with the music
recorded on tape.

Between 1980 and 1988 Beryl Korot devoted herself fulltime to oil painting, creating works on hand-woven and traditional linen canvas. These were paintings based on a language she created which were an analog to the Latin alphabet. A room in this abstract language was created illuminating the Babel story, as well as other texts. Some of these works were seen at The Carnegie Museum (1990), and in solo exhibition in the Project Room, John Weber Gallery, New York City, in 1986.

In addition to the installations and publications, in 1972, with a grant from America the Beautiful Fund, she conducted the first cablecast to the town of Saugerties, New York with a group of high school students. Her early single channel works were seen at the Whitney Biennial (1975), the Kennedy Center "Art Now" (1974), the Sao Paulo Biennial (1975), The Finch College Museum (1972), to name a few. In the Fall, 1993, these early tapes were included as part of a new touring exhibition sponsored by ICI in New York City called "The First Generation: Women in Video 1970-75." Dachau 1974 was featured in the 1976 PBS program on video art hosted by Russell Connor.

Over the past twenty five years she has received numerous grants from the National

Endowment on the Arts (1975, 1977, 1979), the New York State Council on the Arts (1973-4, 1978) the Creative Artists Public Service Fund (1972, 1975 and 1978) and for her work on *The Cave* from The Rockefeller Foundation, The Andy Warhol Foundation, the National Endowment on the Arts, and The Nathan Cummings Foundation. In 1995 she was awarded a fellowship from the Guggenheim Foundation. For her new work with Steve Reich, *Three Tales*, foundation support has been received from the National Endowment for the Arts and the Rockefeller Foundation.

Tonight's performance marks the première appearance of Beryl Korot's work under UMS auspices.

ynergy's first engagement was a concert in the Barbican celebrating Steve Reich's sixtieth birthday. The group sang Tehillim with members of the London Symphony Orchestra and David Robertson. Many comments were made about how well these singers worked together, both vocally and visually. This came as no surprise as, at that time, the four girls formed the female contingent of the international a cappella group, The Swingle Singers. The success of this performance in London immediately led to another appearance with the Ensemble InterContemporain in Paris which in turn led to performances with Ictus in Belgium. Synergy is now known as a leading exponent of contemporary vocal music

Steve Reich later contacted Musical Director Micaela Haslam with a view to finding suitable voices for his latest piece *Three Tales*. Thus, the idea emerged to extend the vocal team and form a larger group, from which combinations of likeminded singers could be hand-picked

according to the individual requirements of any project. The group covers a broad spectrum of musical genres, from Renaissance music to twentieth-century classical, jazz and pop music —always working with microphone.

Their vocal agility, versatility, and attention to detail have already earned these singers an international reputation. Since the formation of the group in 1996, Synergy has performed and recorded with Steve Reich and Musicians, the Brooklyn Philharmonic, Ensemble Modern, the London Symphony Orchestra, Ensemble Bash, the Smith Quartet, L'Ensemble InterContemporain, and Ictus. They recently joined Steve Reich for concerts at the Spoleto (US) and Huddersfield Contemporary Music (UK) festivals, as well as for performances in New York, Munich and Sicily.

Tonight's performance marks Synergy's debut appearance under UMS auspices.

Production Staff

Duncan Edwards, audio engineer Jack Young, video projectionist

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Thursday Evening, April 15, 1999 at 8:00 Hill Auditorium, Ann Arbor, Michigan

Music of Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

Symphony No. 29 in A Major, K. 201 (186A)

Allegro moderato Andante Menuetto Allegro con spirito

Piano Concerto No. 25 in C Major, K. 503

Allegro maestoso Andante Allegretto

TILL FELLNER

INTERMISSION

Concert Aria, K. 505: "Ch'io mi scordi di te?"

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Concert Aria, K. 578: "Alma grande e nobil core"

KATHARINE GOELDNER

Symphony No. 36 in C Major, K. 425, "Linz"

Adagio — Allegro spiritoso Poco adagio Menuetto Presto

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Symphony No. 29 in A Major, K. 201 (186A)

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart Born January 27, 1756 in Salzburg Died December 5, 1791 in Vienna

Around the time of his eighteenth birthday, Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart composed a set of four symphonies that were landmarks in a new, mature style. Among these works, two stand out particularly and have earned their places in the symphonic repertoire. These are the *Symphony in g minor*, K. 183 (The "little" g-minor) and *Symphony in A Major*, K. 201. Mozart himself considered both important enough nine years later, that he asked his father to send them to him in Vienna. After Mozart's death, these works appeared in the Breitkopf & Härtel catalog as *Symphonies No. 25* and 29, respectively.

The *Symphony in A Major*, from April 1774, is remarkable for its energy and flair. In the first movement, the agitated character of the opening is understated but becomes more insistent when the first theme repeats, overlapping itself in canon. By contrast, the second theme is slightly *rococo*. Mozart goes on to present a compact development section and a jubilant close.

The "Andante," distinguished by its double-dotted rhythms, is in the true serenade tradition. Yet its eloquence of form (sonata-allegro) and hushed sound (muted strings) lend it a "serious" air.

The theme of the "Menuetto" is also based on dotted rhythms. However, its character is symphonic rather than dancelike, in a style reminiscent of Haydn. The "tags" by oboes and horns at resting points again echoes Mozart's Salzburg serenades.

The finale returns to the agitation of the first movement. Similarly, this "Allegro con spirito" is in sonata form. Yet its suggestion of hunting-horn motive give it a unique character. Mozart articulates the form by placing rapid ascending scales at the end of

each of the principal sections. According to Alfred Einstein, the movement "contains the richest and most dramatic development section Mozart had written up to this time."

Piano Concerto No. 25 in C Major, K. 503

Mozart

Creatively, 1786 was one of the greatest years of Mozart's life. Not only did he complete The Marriage of Figaro and The Impresario in that year, but he composed a sizeable list of instrumental masterpieces as well. These included chamber music such as the Piano Quartet in E-flat, K. 493 and the String Quartet in D, K. 499 plus a pair of piano concertos just before Figaro: in A, K. 488 and in c-minor, K. 491. Toward the end of the year he worked on a piano concerto and a symphony simultaneously, completing them on December 4 and 6, respectively. These were the Piano Concerto in C Major, K. 503 and the "Prague" Symphony in D, K. 504. Mozart may have premièred his concerto soon after its completion.

With the *Piano Concerto in C Major*, Mozart reached his zenith as a composer of piano concertos. It represented the end of a series of sixteen works in the genre, appearing steadily since 1782. Yet, due to his declining popularity with the Viennese public, it would be more than another year before Mozart would compose his "*Coronation*" *Concerto*, K. 537. His final essay in this genre, the *Piano Concerto in B-flat*, K. 595, came only in 1791, the last year of his life. The *Piano Concerto in C Major*, therefore, represents "a grandiose conclusion," in the words of Alfred Einstein.

"Grandiose" or "majestic" are words we might use to describe the concerto's opening, which soon picks up speed and energy. A Figaro-like, minor/major theme draws down the orchestral exposition, preparatory to the piano's entrance. At first the piano's improvisation seems not to find the opening theme, but an orchestral *tutti* points the way. A second, more lyrical, theme soon builds tension between piano and orchestra. The development concentrates on the Figaro-like theme, using its opening motive for propulsion. The recapitulation stays close to the piano's exposition, building to the soloist's cadenza just before the coda.

Some of the first movement's cheeriness spills over into the second movement's opening theme in the orchestra, echoed by the piano. Gradually, Mozart moves on to material that is more virtuosic and emotional. The recapitulation is brief but wholly engaging.

Again, we hear echoes of *The Marriage of Figaro* in the finale's main theme. A sparkling piano episode leads neatly to a restatement shared between piano and woodwinds. The movement's central section has a more emotional ambience, dramatic and pathetic at first. Then, a new theme full of nobility and yearning takes the stage, soon becoming more gripping. Release comes as the peasant simplicity of the first section returns and sends the concerto off with a scintillating coda.

Concert Aria, K. 505:

"Ch'io mi scordi di te?"

Concert Aria, K. 578:

"Alma grande e nobil core"

Mozart

Mozart's lifelong desire to write opera, particularly Italian opera, was overwhelming. However, his opportunities to compose for the operatic stage were few. To satisfy this desire, he therefore cultivated the next best medium: the independent aria. Mozart wrote no fewer than fifty-seven of these, fifty of which were settings in Italian. He intended each for one of three possible purposes: (1) for public concerts; (2) as insertion arias for his operas or those of others; or (3) as gifts to

singers he knew and admired.

Mozart composed his last twenty-nine arias during the final nine years of his life in Vienna. Concerts for his own benefit, usually during Lent, typically included one or more independent concert arias. As he approached the end of his life, there was little demand for his concerts and therefore fewer arias.

Originally, Mozart set the text of "Ch'io mi scordi di te?" as an insertion aria for a private revival of Idomeneo in March 1786. In its operatic version, Mozart used a violin solo along with the voice. When he re-set the words as an aria for concert use that December, he recast the obbligato part for piano, which he played himself. The singer who performed the solo was Ann Storace, the original Susanna in The Marriage of Figaro (also premièred that year). "Ch'io mi scordi di te?" is a monumental scena and rondo for soprano. Mozart-opera expert Christopher Raeburn calls this piece "arguably the greatest concert aria ever composed."

In Mozart's day, it was not unusual for one composer to be commissioned to write new arias for insertion into a revival production of another composer's opera. That is how "Alma grande e nobil core" came about. Mozart wrote it as an insertion aria in Domenico Cimarosa's I due baroni di Rocca Azzura (composed in 1783) for its 1789 revival in Vienna. Christopher Raeburn summarizes the story and the aria:

The story involves a clever young man who wins a beautiful and wealthy bride, Donna Laura, by impersonating a suitor, the Baron of Rocca Azzura, whom her father has chosen for her, sight unseen. When the real baron arrives, he is attracted by another woman, Sandra. A quarrel between the two women culminates in Laura's aria, "Alma grande e nobil core," an apostrophe to her highborn ideals and her scorn of the likes of Sandra, who should treat her with more respect. Laura finally vents her rage on the baron.

Concert Aria, K. 505: "Ch'io mi scordi di te?"

Idamante

Ch'io mi scordi di te?
Che e lui mi doni puoi consigliami?
E poi voler che in vita...Ah no.
Sarebbe il viver mio
di morte assai peggior.
Venga la morte,
intrepida l'attendo.
Ma, c'io possa struggermi ad altra face,
ad altr'oggetto donar gl'affetti miei,
come tentario?
Ah! Di dolor morrei.

Non temere, amato bene, per te sempre, sempre il cor sará. Piu non reggo a tante pene, l'alma mia mancando va...
Tu sospiri? O duol funesto! Pensa almen che istante é questo! Non me posso, od Dio! Spiegar. Stelle barbare, stelle spietate! Perchè mai tanto rigor?

Alme belle, che vedete le mie pene in tal momento, dite voi s'egual tormento può soffrir un fido cor?

Idamante

To put you from my mind and give myself to him, is that your advice? And then you expect me to live...Ah, no. Such an existence would be worse than death. If death come, I shall face it with courage. But to be kindled by another flame, to give my heart to any other man, how could I do that? Ah, I should die of grief.

Do not fear, beloved, my heart will always be yours. I can bear such pain no longer, my soul grows sick and faint. You sigh? Oh, what anguish! Think how significant this moment is! I cannot, dear God, express it. Cruel, pitiless stars! Why are you so harsh?

Tender souls, who perceive my present suffering, tell me if such torment can be borne by a faithful heart?

Concert Aria, K. 578: "Alma grande e nobil core"

Donna Laura

Alma grande e nobil core, le tue pari ognor disprezzan. Sono dama al fasto avvezza e so farmi rispettar. Va, favella a quell'ingrato, gli dirai che fida io sono. Ma non merita perdono, si, mi voglio vendicar.

Donna Laura

A great soul and a noble heart despise people like you. I am a lady of quality and can command respect. Go, speak to that cruel man, tell him that I am faithful. But he deserves no pardon and I shall be revenged.

Symphony No. 36 in C Major, K. 425, "Linz"

Mozart

In October, 1783, Mozart and his wife, Constanze, were returning to Vienna after a three-month stay in Salzburg. On the way, they stopped in the town of Linz to hear an opera. There, the servant of a certain Count Thun met them and took them to the count's palace, where they were treated like royalty. Such hospitality was not exactly free, however, as Mozart wrote to his father on October 31: "On Tuesday, November 4, I am giving a concert in the theater here and, as I have not a single symphony with me, I am writing a new one at breakneck speed, which must be finished by that time."

The new work was finished in time, and it was a great success. And, since Mozart did not compose another symphony for the next three years, the "Linz" Symphony received several hearings during that period.

At the time that Mozart composed the "Linz" Symphony, he had been studying the symphonies and string quartets of Haydn. It is not surprising, then, that each movement of Mozart's symphony seems to begin with some touch of Haydn, but then proceeds along purely Mozartian lines. At the beginning of this work, Mozart's very first slow symphonic introduction (almost a Haydn trademark) occurs. There, in a short space, Mozart displays a panoply of moods before the "Allegro spiritoso" begins. A march-like feeling dominates the main body of the movement which, in the second theme and concluding material, has a notably Turkish flavor.

The opening of the "Poco adagio" recalls Haydn's pastoral slow movements. Mozart's slow movements, however, quickly become expressive through his characteristic shadings of harmony and pliant themes.

The third movement's first phrase — "Menuetto"— has the broad strokes of a

Haydn minuet. After that, the melodic shape and rhythm foreshadow the Mozart of *Don Giovanni*. The Trio has the simplicity and charm of a comic peasant character in an Italian opera buffa.

In the "Presto" finale, we hear a Haydnlike forthrightness mingled with Mozartian brilliance. The themes seem to dance, though their development reveals tinges of sorrow. A festive mood returns to complete the symphony in a jubilant fashion.

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ubert Soudant is one of the leading conductors of his generation, active in both the concert and operatic spheres. Mr. Soudant became Chief
Conductor of the Mozarteum Orchestra at the beginning of the 1995 season, following highly successful guest engagements with the orchestra. He also serves as Chief Conductor and Music Director of the Orchestra and Opera of Nantes/Angers.

When not leading one of his own ensembles, Mr. Soudant guest conducts the world's great orchestras. Some of the orchestras with whom Hubert Soudant works include the Berlin Philharmonic, the London Philharmonic Orchestra, the Montreal Symphony Orchestra, the Japan Philharmonic, the Vienna Symphony, the Oslo Philharmonic, the Gewandhaus



Hubert Soudant

Orchestra of Leipzig, and many Italian orchestras, where he conducts both concerts and operas. In the US, Mr. Soudant has conducted the Mostly Mozart Festival Orchestra, the Houston Symphony Orchestra, and the Dallas Symphony.

Hubert Soudant was born in 1946 in Maastrich, Holland, and in Maastrich he began studying French horn and conducting. Mr. Soudant has won numerous prizes in international conducting competitions such as the Karajan Competition in Berlin, the Cantelli Competition in Milan and the International Young Conductor's Competition in Besançon.

From 1981 to 1983 Mr. Soudant was Principal Conductor of the Nouvel Orchestre Philharmonique of the French Radio in Paris, and from 1983 to 1986 served as Chief Conductor of the Utrecht Symphony Orchestra. From 1985 to 1988 he was Principal Guest Conductor of the Melbourne Symphony Orchestra, and in 1988 he became Principal Conductor of the Orchestra "Arturo Toscanini" in Parma, with whom he toured in Sicily and through Germany and Russia.

Some highlights of Hubert Soudant's operatic conducting life include winning the Arbate prize for the best opera performances of the year in 1992, when he led the Torino Orchestra in Berlioz's *Damnation of Faust*, and performances of the same at Paris' Opera Bastille. Mr. Soudant led the Orchestre Philharmonique de Montpellier at the 1994 Montpellier Festival in the first performance in France of the Saint-Saens opera, *Etienne Marcel*.

Hubert Soudant has a substantial discography which includes recordings with the Mozarteum Orchestra of Salzburg, the London Philharmonic Orchestra, the Bamberg Symphony Orchestra, the Melbourne Symphony Orchestra and the Torino Orchestra.

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Vienna and started playing the piano at the age of six. From 1981, he studied at the Vienna Conservatory with Helene Sedo-Stadler, and since then he has worked with Meira Farkas, Alfred Brendel, and Oleg Maisenberg.

The artist gained international recognition by winning first prize at the prestigious Clara Haskil International Competition in 1993 (the first Austrian to win this competition).

Mr. Fellner has already performed with numerous prestigious orchestras, including the Academy of St. Martin-in-the-Fields, BBC Symphony Orchestra, Camerata Academica Salzburg, Chicago Symphony Orchestra, City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra, Los Angeles Philharmonic Orchestra, Orchestre de Paris, Vienna



Till Fellner

Philharmonic and Vienna Symphony Orchestra, and the Philharmonia Orchestra London, collaborating with conductors such as Claudio Abbado, Nikolaus Harnoncourt, Heinz Holliger, Marek Janowski, Sir Neville

Marriner, and Kent Nagano. Music partners of Till Fellner have included the Alban Berg Quartet, violinist Thomas Zehetmair and cellist Heinrich Schiff.

Engagements have led him to numerous cities such as Amsterdam, Berlin, Buenos Aires, Dresden, London, Moscow, Munich, New York, Paris, Salzburg, Vienna, and Zurich. Furthermore, Mr. Fellner has performed at important festivals like the Schubertiade Feldkirch, Wiener Festwochen, Mostly Mozart Festival New York, Tanglewood Festival, Festival de La Roque d'Antheron, Festival Montreux-Vevey,

Schleswig-Holstein Musik Festival, Edinburgh Festival, Istanbul Festival, Mozartwoche Salzburg and the Salzburg Festival.

One of the highlights in Mr. Fellner's activities during the 97/98 season was a solo cycle consisting of three concerts, in which the artist played works by Franz Schubert and composers of the Second Viennese School such as Alban Berg, Arnold Schoenberg and Anton Webern. This cycle has been performed in London, Vienna (Konzerthaus) and Vevey, among other cities.

Besides playing orchestra concerts and solo recitals all over the world, during the 98/99 season Mr. Fellner will tour Japan with the Alban Berg Quartet and the US on this tour with the Mozarteum Orchestra of Salzburg.

In 1999/00, Till Fellner will again present a three concert cycle, this time performing Book 1 of The Well-Tempered Clavier by J. S. Bach and the five last Beethoven Piano Sonatas. The complete cycle will be presented in Brussels, London, Lyon, Rome, Paris, and Vienna (Musikverein), while parts of it will be performed in Amsterdam, and Munich.

Till Fellner is a regular guest of such renowned Festivals as the Marlboro, Tanglewood, Salzburg, Montreux and Edinburgh Festivals, the Wiener Festwochen, the Schleswig-Holstein Musik Festival, the Festival de La Roque d'Antheron, and the Schubertiade Feldkirch. In July 1997, he made his highly acclaimed debut at the Mostly Mozart Festival New York.

Since 1994, Till Fellner records for Erato Disques (Warner Classics).

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merican Mezzo-soprano Katharine Goeldner studied at the Hochschule Mozarteum in Salzburg where she received the International Mozart Foundation's most prestigious award for her "excellent interpretation of the works of Mozart." Personally selected by Hermann Prey for the role of Cherubino, she made her



Katharine Goeldner

operatic debut in his famous production of The Marriage of Figaro in Salzburg. As part of the 1991 Salzburg Festival, she sang the role of Madmoiselle Mozart to the world première of Helmut Eduer's opera Mozart in New York, during which time she also made her

debut as Zerlina in Don Giovanni. A National Finalist in the Metropolitan Opera National Council Auditions in New York, she has also been a prizewinner in many other competitions, including the Concours d'Execution Musicale in Geneva and the Concours International de Chant de Toulouse. Since 1992, she has been a leading soloist with the Staatstheater in Kassel, Germany, where her roles have included Hänse, Evita, Concepcion, Meg Page, and Fenena. First heard in Toulouse as Third Maid in Elektra, she returns there in the 1995 season as Margret in Berg's Wozzeck. Upcoming engagements also include Alcina in Haydn's Orlando Paladino for the Haydn Festival in Eisenstadt, Austria, and Feodor in Boris Godunov in San Sebastian, Spain.

A versatile concert artist, Ms. Goeldner was heard at the 1992 Mozart Festival in Salzburg in a recital of Mozart lieder, and appeared with Sir Charles Mackerras and the Mozarteum Orchestra of Salzburg, singing the Mozart concert arias K. 505, "Ch'io mi scordi di te?," and K. 583, "Vado, ma dove?,"

which she also performed for the Swiss National Radio with Nicholas Carthy and the Orchestra della Svizzera Italiana, Lugano. Equally at home with contemporary music, she has been heard in such varied repertoire as Berio's Folksongs with Hans Graf and the Mozarteum Orchestra, Schoenberg's Pierrot Lunaire in Vienna, Salzburg, and Innsbruck, as well as for the Austrian National Radio, and she presented a recital of twentieth-century French mélodie for Vienna's Festival Ravel 1991. Most recently, Ms. Goeldner performed Beethoven's Symphony No. 9 at the 1994 Athens Festival with Michael Schoenwandt and the Berlin Symphony Orchestra.

Recently Katharine Goeldner recorded Mozart's *Coronation Mass* with Leopold Hager and the Mozarteum Orchestra of Salzburg.

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he history of the Mozarteum Orchestra of Salzburg (MOS) dates to the year 1841 when citizens of Salzburg, together with Mozart's widow Constanze, founded the "Cathedral Music Association and Mozarteum," which was devoted to the "refinement of musical taste with regard to sacred music as well as concerts." Through the nineteenth century the orchestra, not yet known as the Mozarteum Orchestra, played hundreds of concerts and became the center of Salzburg's musical life, performing symphonic and operatic repertoire as well as accompanying burlesques and plays. It was only in 1908 that the orchestra received its present name.

The modern history of the Orchestra begins in 1920, with Bernhard Paumgartner's invitation to the Mozarteum Orchestra to participate in the inaugural Salzburg Festival. Today the MOS is the symphony orchestra of the Province and City of Salzburg. With its ninety-one full-time musicians it contributes considerably to musical life on the shores of the Salzach, giving on average 130 performances annually. In the summer the MOS is busy in the Salzburg Festival. From September to June it divides its time between performances as the opera orchestra of the Salzburg Theater, plays the large-scale symphonic repertoire in the Great Festival Hall, and cultivates the Viennese classics in the International Mozarteum Foundation.

International tours are an important component in the MOS's concert life. The ensemble frequently performs in European music centers, and travels regularly to North America and the Far East. Tours to Latin America, South Africa and Australia are scheduled for years to come. On tour the orchestra travels with approximately fifty musicians to perform the repertoire with which the Mozarteum is most closely associated: Mozart, Haydn, and Schubert.

Over the last ten years the Mozarteum Orchestra has recorded over twenty-five CDs on a variety of labels. Most notable among them is a complete Mozart Symphony cycle, the most comprehensive recording based on the New Mozart Edition, on the Cappriccio label. The MOS may also be heard on the Sony Classical, Erato, Victor, Chesky and LaserLight labels.

Tonight's performance marks the Mozarteum Orchestra of Salzburg's second appearance under UMS asupices.

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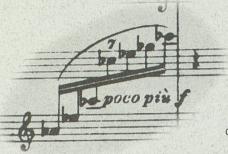
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Gdybym ja była słoneczkiem na niebie, Nie świeciłabym jak tylko dla ciebie. Ani na wody, ani na lasy,

Ale po wszystkie czasy Pod twym okienkiem i tylko dla ciebie Gdybym w słoneczko mogła zmienić siebie. Gdybym ja była ptaszkiem z tego gaju, Nie śpiewałabym w żadnym obcym kraju.

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Ale po wszystkie czasy Pod twym okienkiem i tylko dla ciebie. Czemuż nie mogę w ptaszka zmienić siebie?

Precz z moich oczu! (Adam Mickiewicz)

Precz z moich oczu! Posłucham od razu! Precz z mego serca! I serce posłucha. Precz z mej pamięci! Nie! tego rozkazu

Moja i twoja pamięć nie posłucha.

Jak cień tym dłuższy gdy padnie z daleka,

Tym szerzej koło żałobne roztoczy,

The Maiden's Wish

Were I the sun, and all the skies were mine, For you alone, for you ever would I shine. Blindly would I pass over forest and meadow grass,

But always and forever

Full in your window and for your sake only Shine all the day long, were I but the sun. Were I a bird along the hedgerows winging, No distant valleys should ever hear my singing.

Blindly would I pass over forest and meadow grass,

But always and forever

Sing at your window and for your sake only. Oh! Why can't I be changed into a bird?

Out of My Sight!

Out of my sight! So be it. I obey you. Out of my heart! My heart cannot deny you. Out of my thought! No, no, that ultimate surrender,

Memory, neither yours nor mine, could ever render.

As shadow lengthens across the evening distance,

And wider reach out their arms in sad insistence,

Tak moja postać, im dalej ucieka,
Tym grubszym kirem twa pamięć pomroczy.
Na każdym miejscu i o każdej dobie,
Gdziem z tobą płakał, gdziem się z
tobą bawil,
Wszędzie i zawsze będę ja przy tobie,

Bom wszędzie cząstkę mej duszy zostawił.

So shall my image, further we're divided,
Only the clearer fall in your inner eye.
At every season in these remembered places,
Where we have mingled our laughter,
tears, and gazes,
I shall be with you, though lost beyond

recall,

For there inhabits a fragment of my soul.

Piosnka Iitewska

(Ludwik Osinski)

Bardzo raniuchno wschodziło słoneczko, Mama przy szklanym okienku siedziała, "Skądże to," pyta, "powracasz córeczko?

Gdzieś twój wianeczek na głowie zmaczała?" "Kto tak raniuchno, musi wodę nosić,

Niedziw, że może swój wianeczek zrosić." "Ej, zmyślasz, dziecię! Tyś zapewne, w pole

Z twoim młodzianem gawędzić pobiegła."

"Prawda matusiu, prawde wyznać wole,

Mojegom w polu młodziana spostrzegła, Kilka chwil tylko zeszło na rozmowie,

Tymczasem wianek zrosił się na głowie."

Lithuanian Song

Early one morning the sun was just rising, And by her window my mother was waiting. "Tell me, my daughter, where have you been roaming? Why is your pretty garland wet?"

"I rose early to go to the well, and the morning dew was heavy. It is no wonder that my garland is wet."

"Now you are lying, yes, you are lying.

I am certain.

You have gone out so early to prattle with your lover."

"True, mother, true. I went to meet my lover.

I only went to see him for a moment. In the field we wandered hand in hand, but just talking.

Dewdrops fell upon my garland."

Sliczny chłopiec (Bohdan Zaleski)

Wzniosly, smukły młody, O! nie lada urody. Ślicznyż chłopiec, czego chcieć? Czarny wasik, biała płeć!

Niech się spóźni godzinę, To mi tęskno, aż ginę. Ślicznyż chłopiec, czego chcieć? Czarny wasik, biała pleć! Ledwie mrugnie oczyma,

The Handsome Lad

Young and tall and striking, Oh! He's my choice and he's my liking. What more handsome would you seek? Raven hair and golden cheek!

Should he be late in coming, My heart grows faint and numb in me. What more handsome would you seek? Raven hair and golden cheek! Just an eylid's flicker, Radość całą mnie ima. Ślicznyż chłopiec, czego chcieć? Czarny wąsik, biała płeć!

Każde słówko co powie Lgnie mi w sercu i w głowie. Ślicznyż chlopiec, czego chcieć? Czarny wasik, biała płeć!

Gdy pląsamy we dwoje, Patrzą na nas ócz roje. Ślicznyż chłopiec, czego chcieć? Czarny wąsik, biała płeć!

On powiedział mi przecie, Żem mu wszystkim na świecie! Ślicznyż chłopiec, czego chcieć? Czarny wąsik, biała płeć!

Hulanka

(Stefan Witwicki)

Szynkareczko, szafareczko, co ty robisz, stój!

Tam się śmiejesz, a tu lejesz miód na kaftan mój! Nie daruję wycałuję! Jakie oczko, brew!

Nóźki małe, zabki białe, hej! spali mnie krew!

Pij, lub kijem się pobijem! Biegnij dziewczę w czas,

By pogodzić, nie zaszkodzić, oblej miodem nas!

Will make my heart beat quicker. What more handsome would you seek? Raven hair and golden cheek!

Every fond word he murmurs In my ear, my heart remembers. What more handsome would you seek? Raven hair and golden cheek!

When together we're dancing, All eyes turn on us their glances. What more handsome would you seek? Raven hair and golden cheek!

He has already told me, That I am all the world to him. What more handsome would you seek? Raven hair and golden cheek!

Drinking Song

Pretty Hebe, pretty maiden, maiden what you're about!

Laughter trilling, now you're spilling wine all down my coat!

By my fay! I'll make you pay, kiss you 'till I tire!

Ah, those eyes-a-shine and these lips divine set my blood on fire!

Drink your dram or take a lamming! Hey, lass, over here!

We want taming, not enflaming, souse us both in beer!

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Arianna a Naxos, Hob. XXVIb:2

Franz Joseph Haydn (Anonymous)

Teseo mio ben! Ove sei? Ove sei tu? Vicino d'averti mi parea, ma un lusinghiero sogno fallace m'ingannò. Già sorge in ciel la Rosea Aurora e l'erbe e i fior colora Febi uscendo dal mar col crine aurato. Sposo! Sposo adorato, dove guidasti il piè? Forse le fere ad inseguir ti chiama il tuo nobile ardor! Ah! Vieni, o caro ed offrirò Più grata preda a tuoi lacci. Il cor d'Arianna amante che t'adora costante. stringi con nodo più tenace e più bella la face splenda del nostro amor. Soffrir non posso d'esser da te diviso un sol momento. Ah! Di vederti, o caro, già mi stringe il desio. Ti sospira il mio cuor. Vieni! Vieni, idol mio. Dove sei, mio bel tesoro? Chi t'invola a questo cor? Se non vieni, io già mi moro, né resisto al mio dolor. Se pietade avete, o Dei, secondate i voti miei. a me torni il caro ben. Dove sei? Teseo! Dove sei?

Ariadne on Naxos

Theseus, my love! Where are you? I thought you were beside me, But it was only a sweet, false dream. The roseate dawn arises in the sky and the grass and the flowers are tinged with color as Phoebus emerges, golden-haired, from the sea. My husband! Beloved husband, where have you gone? Perhaps the chase has tempted your brave spirit? Ah, come, my love, and you shall find a sweeter prey for your snares. Ariadne's loving heart, constant and adoring, bind with ever tighter bonds, and let the flame of our love burn more brilliantly than ever. I cannot bear to be parted from you for a single moment. Ah, I am seized, my love, with the desire to see you. My heart sighs for you. Come, oh come, my adored one. Where are you, my precious love? Who tore you from my breast? Without you, I shall die, I cannot bear such grief. If you are merciful, O gods, hear my prayer and send my beloved back to me. Where are you? Theseus! Where are you?

But who am I talking to?

That is the Argive ship!

Those men are Greeks! Theseus!

Ma, a chi parlo? Gli accenti Eco ripete sol. Teseo non m'ode. Teseo non mi risponde, e portano le voci

e l'aure e l'onde. Poco da me lontano esser egli dovria. Salfasi quello che più d'ogni altro s'alza alpestre scoglio, ivi lo scoprirò. Che miro? O stelle! Misera me! Quest è l'Argivo legno! Greci son quelli! Teseo!

Ei sulla prora!
Ah! m'inganassi almen...
no, no, non m'inganno.
Ei fugge, ei qui mi lascia in abbandono.
Più speranza non v'è, tradita io sono.
Teseo! Teseo! M'ascolta! Teseo!
Ma ohimè, vaneggio!

I flutti e il vento lo involano per sempre agli occhi miei.
Ah! siete ingiusti, o Dei, se l'empio non punite!
Ingrato! Ingrato!
Perchè ti trassi dalla morte?
Dunque tu dovevi tradirmi?
E le promesse? E i giuramenti tuoi?
Spergiuro! Infido!
Hai cor di lasciarmi?
A chi mi volgo?
Da chi pietà sperar?
Già più non reggo,

il piè vacilla
e in così amaro istante
sento mancarmi in sen l'alma tremante.
Ah! Che morir vorrei
in si fatal momento,
ma al mio crudel tormento
mi serba ingiusto il ciel.
Misera abbandonata,
non ho chi mi consola,
chi tanto amai s'invola,
barbaro ed infedel.

Echo alone repeats my words.
Theseus cannot hear me,
Theseus answers not,
and the winds and the waves
carry my words away.
He cannot be very far away from me.
If I climb that cliff that rears itself
above the rest, I shall see him from there.
What is this? Alas! Woe is me!

It is he at the prow!
Ah, I could be mistaken...
No, no, there is no mistake.
He is fleeing, and abandoning me here.
All hope is gone, I have been betrayed.
Theseus! Theseus! Hear me! Theseus!
Alas, I shall go mad!

The winds and the waves are swallowing him up for ever. Oh, gods, you are injust if you punish not the traitor! Ungrateful man! Why did I save your life? For you to betray me? And your promises? Your vows? Faithless one! Deceiver! Have you the heart to leave me? To whom should I turn? To whom look for compassion? I can barely stand,

my knees are trembling and the bitterness of this moment makes my heart quiver in my breast. Ah! Would that death might come at this dreadful hour! But heaven cruelly decrees that my sufferings continue. Poor abandoned woman, I have no one to console me: he whom I loved so dearly has fled, cruel and disloyal.

III

Piotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky

Kaby znala ja, Op. 47, No. 1

(Count Aleksei Konstantinovich Tolstoy)

Kaby znala ja, kaby vedala, Ne smotrela by iz okoshechka Ja na molodca razudalogo, Kak on jekhal po nashej ulice. Nabekren' zalomivshi yarmolku, Kak likhogo konja bulanogo, Zvonkonogogo, dolgogrivogo Suprotiv okon na dyby vzdymal!

Kaby znala ja, kaby vedala, Dlja nego by ja ne rjadilasja, S zolotoj kajmoj lentu aluju V kosu dlinnuju ne vpletala by, Rano do svetu ne vstavala by, Za okolicu ne speshila by, V rose nozhen'ki ne mochila by, Na prosjolok tot ne gljadela by, Ne projedet li tem prosjolkom on, Na ruke derzha pjostra sokola?

Kaby znala ja, kaby vedala, Ne sidela by pozdnim vecherom, Prigorju nivshis' na zavaline, Na zavaline, bliz kolodezja, Podzhidajuchi, da gadajuchi, Ne pridjot li on, nenagljadnyj moj! Napojit' konja studenoj vodoj!

Ja li b pole da ne travushka byla, Op. 47, No. 7

(Ivan Zakharovich Surikov)

Ja li b pole da ne travushka byla, Ja li b pole ne zelenaja rosla; Vzjali menja, travushku, skosili, Na solnyshke v pole issushili. Okh, ty, gore moje, gorjushko! Znat' takaja moja doljushka!

If I Had Known

If I had known, I would not have looked out of the window, to watch the young man passing by in our street with a proud bearing on his horse.

If I had known, I would not have tied for him golden ribbons in my hair, and I would not have plaited it so nicely. I would not have risen so early to see if he would pass by again with a falcon standing on his fist.

If I had known, I would not have remained so late in the evening near the well, waiting and hoping that perhaps my wonderful love would bring his horse there to drink.

If I Were A Blade of Grass in the Field

I was a blade of grass in a field, I grew up completely green. Someone cut me down in the sun, I was left to wither. Oh my sorrow, my pain. I know, I know this was my fate. Ja li b pole ne kalinushka byla, Ja li b pole da ne krasnaja rosla; Vzjali kalinushku, v zhgutiki menja posvjazali! Okh, ty, gore moje, gorjushko! Znať takaja moja doljushka!

Ja li u batjushke ne dochen'ka byla,

U rodimoj ne cvetochek ja rosla; Nevolej menja, bednuju, vzjali, s nemilym, sedym povenchali! Okh, ty, gore moje, gorjushko! Znat' takaja moja doljushka!

Den' li carit, Op. 47, No. 6 (Aleksei Nikolayevich Apukhtin)

Den' li carit, tishina li nochnaja, V snakh li bessvjaznykh, v zhitejskoj bor'be, Vsjudu so mnoj, moju zhizn' napolnjaja, Duma vse ta zhe,

odna rokovaja, Vsjo o tebe! S neju ne strashen mne prizrak bylogo, Serdce vosprjanulo snova ljubja... Vera, mechty, vdokhnovennoje slovo, Vsjo, chto v dushe dorogogo,

svjatogo,
Vsjo ot tebja!
Budut li dni moji jasny, unyly,
Skoro li sginu ja, zhizn' zagubja!
Znaju odno, chto do samoj mogily
Pomysly, chuvstva,
i pesni, i sily,

Vsjo dlja tebja!

I was a blade of grass happy in a field,
I was a beautiful blade of grass,
I was tied in a bundle,
I suffocated.
Oh my sorrow, my pain.
I know, I know this was my fate.

I was not the daughter whom my father preferred,
I was stolen from, me the helpless one.
I was obliged to be married to a man without love.
Oh my sorrow, my pain.
I know, I know this was my fate.

Whether Day Dawns

The day shines in the silence of the night, in endless dreams of the struggle for life. Everywhere with me, my life is filled with words for you, for you, all of them for you. With her I do not fear the phantoms; once again my heart is in love. Faith, dreams, the inspired words, everything in my soul, all that is cherished and sacred, everything is for you. If my days are bright or gloomy, if I must lose my life soon, I am certain of one thing: Right up to my very grave I will think, I will feel the songs and the strength for you.

IV

Pesni i Pljaski Smerti (Songs and Dances of Death)

Modest Musorgsky (Count Arsenii Arkadevich Golenishchev-Kutuzov)

Kolybel'naya

Stonet rebjonok. Svecha, nagaraya, Tusklo mercajet krugom.

Tzeluyu noch', kolybel'ku kachaya, Mat' ne zabylasja snom. Ranym ranekhon'ko v dver', ostorozhno,

Smert' serdobol'naya stuk! Vzdrognula mat', ogljanulas' trevozhno...

"Polno pugat'sya, moi drug! Blednoje utro uzh smotrit v okoshko. Placha, toskuya, lyubya, Ty utomilas'. Vzdremni-ka nemnozhko, Ya posizhu za tebja. Ugomonit' ty ditya ne sumela. Slashche tebya ya spoyu." "Tishe! Rebionok moi mechetsya, b'iotsya, Dushu terzayet moyu!" "Nu, da so mnoyu on skoro uimetsya, Bajushki, bayu, bayù." "Shchechki bledneyut, slabeyet dykhan'ye... Da zamolchi-zhe, molyu!" "Dobroye znamen'ye: stikhnet stradan'ye, Bajushki, bayu, bayù." "Proch' ty proklyataya! Laskoi svoyeyu sgubish' ty radost' moyu!" "Net, mirnyi son ya mladentzu naveyu. Bajushki, bayu, bayù." "Szhal'sya, pozhdi dopevat' khot' mgnoven'ye, Strashnuyu pesnyu tvoyu!" "Vidish', usnul on pod tikhoye pen'ye.

Bayushki, bayu, bayù!"

Lullaby

The child groans. The blackening candle throws a trembling glimmer all around. Throughout the night, rocking her child, the mother has not had a moment's sleep. Early in the morning, compassionate Death comes

to knock quietly at the door: tap, tap! The mother trembles, turns around, frightened.

"Don't be alarmed, my friend. Pallid dawn already lightens the window. Your tears, your worries, your love have exhausted you.

So go and sleep a while, I will watch over your child for you. You have not been able to calm your infant, I will sing him sweeter songs."

"Be quiet! My child is agitated, restless, and my soul suffers with him."

"With me he will soon calm down. Bye-bye, baby, bye!"

"His cheeks are becoming pale, his breathing weakens... But be quiet I beg of you!" "It is a good sign, his suffering will lessen,

Bye-bye, baby, bye!"

"Go away cursed one!

Your caresses will destroy my happiness!" "No, I will give peaceful sleep to the child. Bye-bye, baby, bye!"

"Have mercy on me, stop your singing for a moment, your sinister song!"

"You see — he has gone to sleep to the sweet sounds of my song.

Bye-bye, baby, bye!"

Serenada

Nega volshebnaya, noch' golubaya, Trepetnyi sumrak vesny... Vnemlet, poniknuv golovkoi, bol'naya Shopot nochnoi tishiny. Son ne smykayet blestyashchiye ochi, Vsio pritailos' krugom; V strastnom molchan'i vesennei polnochi Pesnya zvuchit pod oknom. "V mrake nevoli surovoi i tesnoi, Molodost' vyanet tvoya. Rytzar' nevedomyi, siloi chudesnoi Osvobozhu ya tebya. Vstan', posmotri na sebja: krasotoyu Lik tvoi prozrachnyi blestit, Shchioki rumyany, volnistoi kosoyu Stan tvoi, kak tuchei obvit. Pristal'nykh glaz golubove siyan'ye,

Yarche nebes i ognya;
Znoyem poludennym veyet dykhan'ye...
Ty obol'stila menya.
Slukh tvoi plenilsya moyei serenadoi,
Rytzarya shopot tvoi zval.
Rytzar' prishol za bestzennoi nagradoi
Chas upoyen'ya nastal.
Nezhen tvoi stan, upoitelen trepet.
O zadushu ya tebya
V krepkikh ob'yat'yakh; lyubovnyi moi lepet
Slushai... molchi... Ty moya!"

Trepak

Les, da polyany, bezlyud'ye krugom; V'yuga i plachet i stonet; Chuyetsya, budto vo mrake nochnom, Zlaya kogo-to khoronit. Gljad'! Tak i yest'! V temnote muzhika Smert' obnimayet, laskayet; S p'yanen'kim plyashet vdvoiom trepaka, Na ukho pesn' napevayet: Okh, muzhichok, starichok ubogoi, P'yan napilsya, poplelsya domoi;

Serenade

Entrancing sweetness, blue of night, wavering shadows of springtime. The head leaning, the ailing person listens to the murmurs in a nocturnal silence. Sleep does not close her sparkling eyes, life calls for sensual pleasures. Beneath her window, in the silence of midnight Death sings its serenade: "In the darkness of cruel and suffocating captivity your youth fades. I am the unknown knight who by his miraculous power has come to deliver you. Arise, look at yourself. Your beauty illuminates your transparent face. Your cheeks are becoming colored, and your plait twists around your waist like a cloud. The blue gaze of your intent eyes is clearer than the sky and fire. Your breath is warm like the midday sun and your charm has won my heart. Your ears are enthralled by my serenade. I am the knight your murmurs beckoned. The knight who has come for his ultimate reward. The time of ecstasy has arrived.

Your body is so tender with delicious

quiverings."

Trepak

A forest by the side of the fields, is there nobody in the vicinity?

From the South can be heard the laments and tears as if in the darkened night.

Who is sustained in such a manner by this ill-intentioned gaze?

Death surrounds the Moujik in the night; it fondles him with songs of the Trepak. It sings in his ear: Oh Moujik!

Old man who has drunk too much and lost his direction.

A myatel' to, ved'ma, podnyalas', vzygrala, S polya v les dremuchii nevznachai zagnala. Gorem, toskoi da nuzhdoi tomimyi! Lyag, prikorni, da usni, rodimyi! Ya tebya, golubchik moi, snezhkom sogreyu, Vkrug tebya velikuyu igru zateyu. Vzbei-ka postel', ty metel' lebedka, Gei, nachinai, zapevai pogodka; Skazku, da takuvu, chtob vsvu noch' tyanulas', Chtob p'yanchuge krepko pod neio zasnulos'. Oi, vy lesa, nebesa, da tuchi, Tem', veterok, da snezhok letuchii, Sveites' pelenoyu, snezhnoi pukhovoyu Yeyu, kak mladentza, starichka prikroyu. Spi, moi druzhok, muzhichok schastlivyi, Leto prishlo, rastzvelo! Nad nivoi Solnyshko smeyotsya da serpy gulyayut; Pesenka nesetsya, golubki letavut...

Polkovodetz

Grokhochet bitva, bleshchut broni,

Orud'ya mednyye revut, Begut polki, nesutsya koni I reki krasnyye tekut. Pylayet polden', lyudi b'yutsya! Sklonilos' solntze, boi sil'nei! Zakat bledneyet, no derutsya Vragi vsio yarostnei i zlei! I pala noch' na pole brani. Druzhiny v mrake razoshlis'... Vsio stikhlo, i v nochnom tumane Stenan'ya k nebu podnjalis'. Togda, ozarena lunovu, Na boyevom svoiom kone, Kostei sverkaya beliznoyu, Yavilas' smert' i v tishine. Vnimaya vopli i molitvy Dovol'stva gordogo polna, Kak polkovodetz, mesto bitvy Krugom ob'yekhala ona. Na kholm podnyavshis' oglyanulas', Ostanovilas', ulybnulas',

The snowstorm hustles you about and plays over the fields and the forest.
Unhappiness, sorrow, come nearer my poor little victim, I will warm you up

with the snow.

In the game in a circle I will bear you away. Come on, begin singing this story which will last all night long so that with it you will go to sleep.

Oh! You forests, the clouds of the heavens, like the wind the snow flies all about like a very soft blanket that will cover the old man who sleeps.

Sleep contented old man, flowering summer has appeared.

In the fields the sun plays gaily on the blades of scythes.

Songs spread over nature and pigeons flutter around.

The Field Marshall

In the distance the noises of battle can be heard, the armor glistens, the metallic weapons make grating sounds, the soldiers retreat. In the reddened rivers the blood of soldiers flows. It is nearly midday, people are fighting. The sun lowers, the battle becomes fiercer. Sunset is approaching but the battle continues even more terribly. Night falls over the battlefield. The battalions of soldiers move off again. Everything becomes calm, but in the night the groaning of the injured can be discerned, rising upwards towards the sky. At this moment, under the moonlight, Death arrives triumphantly!

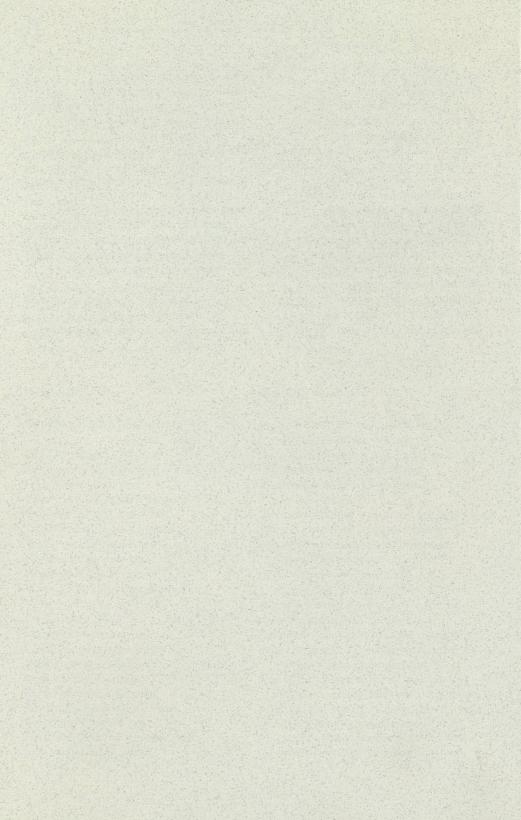
And in the silence of the offered prayers
Death is present, filled with satisfaction.
Now it surrounds the battlefield with a veil.
It contemplates, remains motionless,
smiles, and above the plain the fateful
voice resounds: "The battle is over!

I nad ravninoi boyevoi Razdalsya golos rokovoi: "Konchena bitva! Ya vsekh pobedila! Vse predo mnoi vy smirilis' boitzy! Zhizn' vas possorila, ya pomirila! Druzhno vstavaite na smotr, mertvetzy! Marshem torzhestvennym mimo proidite, Voisko moye ya khochu soschitať. V zemlyu potom, svoi kosti slozhite, Sladko ot zhizni v zemle otdykhat'! Gody nezrimo proidut za godami, V lyudyakh ischeznet i pamyat' o vas. Ya ne zabudu! I gromko nad vami Pir budu pravit' v polunochnyi chas! Plyaskoi, tyazheloyu, zemlyu syruyu Ya pritopchu, chtoby sen' grobovuyu Kosti pokinuť vo vek ne mogli, Chtob nikogda vam ne vstať iz zemli!"

I have vanquished everyone. Warriors, you are all appeased in my sight. Life made you enemies, but I reconcile you. All the dead just like a single man, arise for the review! Pass before me to the sounds of a solemn march: I wish to count my armies. then scatter your bones in the earth where it is so gentle to rest from life. Years will follow other years invisibly, men will soon forget all about you, but I will never forget you, and on your graves I will give great banquets at night. My weighty dance will trample down the humid ground, so that the bones will never be able to leave the shadow of the sepulcher,

and you will never be able to escape from

the earth.



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Frédéric Chopin

Five Polish Songs From Op. 74
Zyczenie (The Maiden's Wish)

Precz z moich oczu! (Out of My Sight!) Piosnka Iitewska (Lithuanian Song) Sliczny chlopiec (The Handsome Lad)

Hulanka (Drinking Song)

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Joseph Haydn Cantata: "Arianna a Naxos," Hob. XXVIb:2

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Piotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky

Kaby znala ja, Op. 47, No. 1 (If I Had Known) Ja li b pole da ne travushka byla, Op. 47, No. 7 (If I Were a Blade of Grass in the Field) Den' li carit, Op. 47, No. 6 (Whether Day Dawns)

IV

Modest Musorgsky

Pesni i Pljaski Smerti (Songs and Dances of Death)

Kolybel'naya (Lullaby) Serenada (Serenade) Trepak (Trepak) Polkovodetz (The Field Marshall)

The audience is politely asked to withhold applause until the end of each group of songs. Please do not applaud after the individual songs within each group.

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onight's program offers us the unique opportunity to experience and appreciate four widely divergent styles of composing. Not only is the sound and texture of each composer easily distinguishable from his colleagues, but these individual works themselves could be considered prototypes of each composer's artistic credo. Such contrast is not in itself always unusual, but when one considers that three of our four composers are from eastern Europe, and further that two lived side-byside during the same half-century in the same country, such contrast is unexpected indeed.

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The very last thing to come to mind when one thinks of Frédéric Chopin is vocal music. The duo of voice and piano is not a genre which attracted this composer significantly. With all the volumes of music for piano solo, the composer has left us only nineteen examples of song literature, and nothing for voice and orchestra. Since Ann Arborites have recently heard all the piano repertoire of Chopin, this charming group of songs will prove a valuable expansion to our idea of who this composer is. The difficulties of singing in the Polish language guarantee that these works are rarely done in the West, Mme. Podleś being the only international artist programming them regularly if at all. Almost all of Chopin's songs were composed during his first trip abroad (1829-30), when he visited and dazzled audiences in Vienna and Salzburg.

Chopin's Nocturnes are so often compared to the melodies of Vincenzo Bellini, who was writing operas during the same first half of the nineteenth century. It is ironic that this most vocal of keyboard composers did not use his accustomed *bel canto* style in composing these songs. In fact, Chopin regarded the songs as an opportunity to display his deep nationalistic feelings, rather than employ the sophisticated ele-

gance of the French salon style which had catapulted him to fame. He himself called the songs "little pieces with words," and they are clearly vocal renditions of his characterpiece style: the mazurka, the waltz. The texts are not from the pens of Polish intellectuals, but rather from poets of the people, friends of the composer who also wanted to communicate in simple, vernacular, accessible ways. Most of the songs are pure strophic or rondo forms, with not only musical repetitions but verbal ones as well. Only the "Lithuanian Song" is more complex in its rhapsodic form, perhaps being the sole example of non-Polish nationalism; Chopin felt it needed to be different from the others.

П

Tonight's second style is that of Italian opera in the Classical period. No audience is unfamiliar with the great solo scenes from The Marriage of Figaro and Don Giovanni, and Havdn's dramatic cantata differs from these only in that it is for keyboard accompaniment rather than orchestra. There is hardly a genre which Papa Haydn did not explore, and when it comes to symphonies, quartets and sonatas and trios, it was his expertise and his willingness to experiment which paved the way for works such as we know them today. Living an unusually long life, Haydn witnessed and oversaw the large transition from Baroque to Classic style, and was uniquely able to synthesize the old and new orders at all times. His adopted home of Vienna was wildly enthusiastic about Italian opera in the 1780s, and indeed, of Haydn's two dozen works for the stage only one is in the German language and style. Tonight's canata was written immediately following a period of intense operatic activity by Haydn, and if orchestrated, it could be easily interpolated into any of these works.

Ariadne is a well-known figure in Greek mythology, and her sad story has attracted composers for four centuries from Monteverdi to Strauss to Musgrave. The noble Theseus (Teseo in Italian) is Ariadne's escort as she returns to Athens from Crete. During the voyage, affection grows between them. Severe storms force a landing on the island of Naxos, and waking the next morning, Ariadne finds herself alone and abandoned. Her confusion, her despair, her vulnerability and her anger at the gods are the very stuff of theatre. Haydn has employed a double aria and cabaletta form here, with each melodic episode introduced by a highly dramatic recitative. Even with the limitations of the keyboard in his era, Havdn has created a believable histrionic event which unfolds for us; only costumes and a set are missing, for all is painted in this dramatic and highly-charged music.

III

Tchaikovsky and Musorgsky lived at precisely the same time, and both composed a significant amount of vocal music. But that is all they have in common. Tchaikovsky's thorough conservatory education required him to be comfortable and adept at writing in a variety of western-European styles. Fugues and by-the-book baroque counterpoint, the sugary elegance of an eighteenthcentury French salon, perfect sonata-allegro form...these, and many more not particularly Russian techniques, were in constant use by Tchaikovsky. As a result he can be considered the most western of all Russian composers, and yet he insists upon integrating melodies which are either real or could pass for real folksongs into all his works. This blend has ensured his popularity and his emotional impact in and out of Russia for more than a century. It is important not to downplay his importance simply due to his facility, his efficient methods, or his occasionally hyper-emotional style that has been so often imitated by lesser lights.

Songs were the perfect outlet for Tchaikovsky's frustrated passions. His per-

sonal relationships were so consistently unsatisfying and unsuccessful that music became his only emotional life, and no where more so than in vocal music. Like Brahms and Fauré, Tchaikovsky captures the general atmosphere and mood of any text immediately; he inevitably sacrifices the specifics of painting this or that word individually in favor of these larger pictures of sorrow, joy, or loneliness. This is clearly illustrated in these three examples from the seven songs of Op. 47, composed in 1880. The first and third songs are in Tchaikovsky's most preferred ABA form, although they speak of very contrasting feelings of despondency and exultation. The middle song is in three verses, with variation only in the last. Here one can hear clearly the folk element spoken of earlier; this is not an educated person's lament, but rather a primal cry for help. One further interesting feature of this very melodic trio is the long piano introduction to the last song. Its ruminative and rhapsodic mood is quite different from the hectic outpouring to follow, as if the poet were surveying the past before rejoicing in the present.

IV

Our fourth and last style of this evening's concert is also perfectly illustrated by its example, the four Songs and Dances of Death, written in the last decade of Musorgsky's brief life. The music of this most individual of all Russian composers is entirely text-driven. His ten operas and five dozen songs are the center of his legacy. Whereas Tchaikovsky used lyrical melody to express his feelings, Musorgsky was never happy reproducing only emotion, he sought to reproduce human speech. No system of pitch or notation can fully capture the infinite variety of the spoken word, but Musorgsky (like Wolf in German and Ravel in French) comes very close to this goal. Tchaikovsky's songs would sound beautiful played on a violin (and often are),

whereas Musorgsky's would strike us as nonsensical. The great maestro Rimsky-Korsakov branded Musorgsky's work "clumsy and absurd, disconnected, illogical and altogether lacking in technique." Poor Musorgsky's works have suffered through "improvements" and "repairs" by Rimsky and many others, when in fact it is their uniqueness and even their eccentricity which renders them communicative at all. One hears occasional lyrical moments in these songs to be sure, but it is never gratuitous lyricism; it is purposeful, and cleverly contrasted with declamatory sections.

Death appears to us in four guises and in four situations. The first song is a dialogue between an anxious mother nursing an ailing child and Death as soothing release. She grows ever more distraught; he remains calm and rocks the boy to his demise with an innocent lullaby. Death woos a terminally ill invalid in the "Serenade." The monotonous, sensuous swing of the 6/8 meter is irresistible, and again Death is triumphant. A trepak is a favorite Russian folkdance wherein men kick from a squatting position. It is customary — and probably very necessary! — to begin slowly so as to get one's balance and then whirl faster and faster. Our protagonist confronts a drunken peasant and literally dances him to death. How ominous the open chords at the end of this trepak — the landscape is now empty; someone has been extinguished before our eyes. Finally, Death dons a military uniform and commands all armies to march to his menacing and inescapable cadence. These are four experiences we are not likely to forget. To those who speak Russian the impact is even greater, for the music serves as a perfect vehicle for these marvelously colorful texts...Musorgsky has certainly achieved his stated goal: "Art is a means of communication with people, never an end in itself."

Program notes by Martin Katz.

eyond a distinctive voice of staggering range, agility and amplitude, the Polish contralto Ewa Podleś brings profound emotional commitment and a lieder singer's sensitivity to text to everything she sings. As comfortable with Mahler and Prokofiev as with the breathtakingly florid music of Gluck, Handel, Vivaldi and Rossini, she is a true original, a "Golden Age" singer for our time. Ms. Podleś' 1999-2000 season promises five performances of Mahler's Das Lied von der Erde with Riccardo Chailly and the Philadelphia Orchestra (including one in New York's Carnegie Hall); two performances of the Schoenberg chamber orchestra version of this same work with Mario Bernardi c onducting Ottawa's National Arts Centre Orchestra; this same composer's Das Knaben Wunderhorn with Mto. Chailly and the Royal Concertgebouw Orchestra (performances in Paris, Amsterdam, London and Cologne, also a Decca recording); Kindertotenlieder with Leon Botstein and the American Symphony Orchestra; and Symphony No. 3 with Gerard Schwarz and the Seattle Symphony. In addition she gives recitals in Montreal, Philadelphia and at the Amsterdam Concertgebouw, and performs the title role of Handel's Giulio Cesare in Oviedo, Spain; and her first-ever Baba the Turk in Stravinsky's The Rake's Progress at Catania's Teatro Bellini. The current season includes a European tour (Paris, Birmingham, Vienna, Amsterdam) in the title role of Handel's Rinaldo with Christopher Hogwood and the Academy of Ancient Music; an extensive North American recital tour (including Washington, DC, Cleveland, Toronto, tonight's Ann Arbor recital, and the opening of the "Art of the Song" series at Lincoln Center's Alice Tully Hall); five Alexander Nevskys with the San Francisco Symphony under Libor Pešek; a concert with Québec's Les Violons du Roy under its Music Director Bernard Labadie; her celebrated Rossini Arias for Contralto program



Ewa Podleś

with the Edmonton Symphony and Moscow Chamber Orchestra, the latter her Carnegie Hall debut; and Bradamante in Handel's *Alcina* at Barcelona's Gran Teatre del Liceu.

Mme. Podleś has sung her "signature" role of Rossini's Tancredi at La Scala and the Staatsoper Berlin (and on the Grammynominated Naxos recording); Arsace (Semiramide) at Venice's Teatro La Fenice: Handel's Rinaldo at New York's Metropolitan Opera and Paris' Théâtre Châtelet; Dalila in Saint-Saëns' Samson et Dalila at Paris' Opéra Bastille; and Ulrica in Verdi's Un Ballo in Maschera at Madrid's Teatro Real. She has also sung principal roles at the Frankfurt Alte Oper, Deutsche Oper Berlin, Vienna State Opera, Naples' Teatro San Carlo, Warsaw's National Theatre, and the Rome, Budapest and Vancouver Operas. In addition she has been welcomed at the Aix-en-Provence, Flanders and Montpellier Festivals; as well as Canada's Festival International de Lanaudière. She has appeared with the Pittsburgh and NHK Tokyo Symphonies, Hong Kong and Dresden Philharmonics, Maggio Musicale Fiorentino Orchestra, Orchestre de la Suisse Romande and National Orchestra of Spain, under such conductors as Lorin Maazel,

David Atherton, Gianluigi Gelmetti, Myung-Whun Chung and Armin Jordan. Her many collaborations with Marc Minkowski and Les Musiciens du Louvre includes Polinesso in Handel's *Ariodante*, a Deutsche Grammophon recording that earned the coveted *Diapason d'Or*. Other recent issues include *A Treasury of Polish Songs* with pianist Ewa Pobiocka, Respighi's *Il Tramonto*, the Berlioz version of Gluck's *Orphée et Eurydice*, Mahler's *Symphony No. 2* and *No. 3*, *Alexander Nevsky*, and a unanimously acclaimed all-Rossini disc, awarded the prestigious *Preis der Deutschen Schallplatten Kritik*.

An especially renowned interpreter of Russian song, her widely acclaimed Mélodies Russes CD with pianist Graham Johnson earned the Grand Prix de L'Académie Française du Disque. An altogether riveting recitalist, Mme. Podleś has offered programs at London's Wigmore Hall, Paris' Salle Gaveau, Théâtre de l'Athénée and Théâtre des Champs Elysées, Moscow's Bolshoi Theatre and San Francisco's Herbst Theater. Among the international publications in which she has been profiled are The New York Times, Orpheus, Opera News and The Wall Street Journal.

Tonight's recital marks Mme. Podles' second appearance under UMS auspices. Ewa Podles' UMS debut was a remarkable, last-minute replacement for an indisposed Cecilia Bartoli on March 29, 1997.

xpressive power, a sure grasp of musical architecture, and a gigantic sweep mark the playing of the American pianist Garrick Ohlsson. Although he has long been regarded as one of the world's leading exponents of the music of Chopin, Mr. Ohlsson commands an enormous repertoire which encompasses virtually the entire piano literature. He has come to be noted particularly for his masterly performances of the works of Mozart,

Beethoven, and Schubert, as well as music of the Romantic era.

Mr. Ohlsson's concerto repertoire is unusually wide and eclectic - ranging from Haydn and Mozart to twentieth-century masters — and he has at his command some seventy works for piano and orchestra. This season alone, he performs the Barber Piano Concerto, all five concertos by Beethoven, Brahms's Concerto No. 2, Chopin's two piano concertos, Copland's Piano Concerto, the Dvorák Piano Concerto, Oiseaux exotiques and the Turangalila-symphonie by Messiaen, Gershwin's Concerto in F, the Grieg Piano Concerto, Piano Concerto, No. 9, K. 271 by Mozart, and Rachmaninoff's Piano Concerto, No. 3. In North America this season he appears as soloist with the Cleveland, Chicago, and Philadelphia Orchestras; the St. Paul Chamber Orchestra; the St. Louis Symphony (in St. Louis and at New York's Carnegie Hall); the Buffalo Philharmonic; and the Utah, Houston, Detroit, Chicago, and Waterbury (CT) symphonies. Internationally, he has solo engagements with Tokyo's NHK Symphony Orchestra, the Deutsche Orchester Berlin at the Beijing Festival in China, and the Buenos Aires Philharmonic at the Teatro Colon.

In January of 1999 Mr. Ohlsson launched a series entitled "Franz Liszt and the Art of the Piano," presented as part of Lincoln Center's Great Performers. He will be heard at Alice Tully Hall in three recitals devoted to the music of Liszt and those composers who most influenced Liszt (Bach, Beethoven, Schubert). In addition to performances of the Sonata in b minor, the Transcendental Etudes, and Liszt's transcriptions of works by Bach, Beethoven, and Schubert, Mr. Ohlsson plays three keyboard masterworks that were of major importance to Liszt as composer and performer: Bach's Goldberg Variations, the "Hammerklavier" Sonata by Beethoven, and Schubert's "Wanderer" Fantasy. Also as part of the Great Performers series, Mr.

Ohlsson is featured in a workshop on Liszt with piano authority David Dubal at Lincoln Center's Walter Reade Theatre.

In addition to the Liszt series, Mr. Ohlsson's recitals in North America this season include those at West Palm Beach and Lakeland, FL; Athens, GA; Boston; Toronto; Seattle; Princeton, NJ; and San Francisco. Recitals abroad include performances at Paris and Nohant, France, and Dubrovnik, Croatia.

Mr. Ohlsson is an avid chamber musician and has collaborated with the Cleveland, Emerson, Takács, and Tokyo String Quartets, among other ensembles. Together with violinist Jorja Fleezanis and cellist Michael Grebanier, he is a founding member of the San Francisco-based FOG Trio.

A prolific recording artist, Mr. Ohlsson can be heard on the Arabesque, RCA Victor Red Seal, Angel, Bridge, BMG, Delos, Hänssler, Nonesuch, Telarc, and Virgin Classics labels. Mr. Ohlsson has recorded the complete solo works of Chopin for Arabesque.

Mr. Ohlsson has also recorded the Copland *Piano Concerto* with Michael Tilson Thomas and the San Francisco Symphony for the RCA Victor Red Seal label, which was hailed by the *San Francisco Examiner* as "terrific"



Garrick Ohlsson

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and "vibrant." Other releases include Mr. Ohlsson's recordings of Beethoven sonatas, Haydn's three "London" Sonatas, and the Debussy Études, all for Arabesque; and Grieg's Piano Concerto, Tchaikovsky's Concerto No. 1, and the Rachmaninoff Concerto No. 2 with the Academy of St. Martin-in-the-Fields under Sir Neville Marriner, for the Hänssler label.

Mr. Ohlsson was born in White Plains, New York where he began his piano studies at the age of eight. He attended the Westchester Conservatory of Music and at thirteen he entered The Juilliard School in New York City. In high school Mr. Ohlsson demonstrated an extraordinary aptitude for mathematics and languages, but the concert stage remained his true career objective. Mr. Ohlsson's musical development has been influenced in completely different ways by a succession of distinguished teachers, most notably Claudio Arrau, Olga Barabini, Tom Lishman, Sascha Gorodnitzki, Rosina Lhévinne, and Irma Wolpe. Although he won First

Prizes at the 1966 Busoni Competition in Italy and 1968 Montreal Piano Competition, it was his 1970 triumph at the Chopin Competition in Warsaw, where he won the Gold Medal, that brought him worldwide recognition as one of the finest pianists of his generation. Since that time, he has made nearly a dozen tours of Poland where to this day he remains virtually a national hero. Mr. Ohlsson was awarded the Avery Fisher Prize in 1994 and received the 1998 University Musical Society Ford Honors Distinguished Artist Award in Ann Arbor, Michigan. He makes his home in San Francisco.

Tonight's recital marks Garrick Ohlsson's tenth appearance under UMS auspices. Between 1995 and 1996, Mr. Ohlsson performed Chopin's complete piano solo works in six recitals presented under UMS auspices. In recognition of his outstanding contributions to the University Musical Society, Mr. Ohlsson was the recipient of the 1998 University Musical Society Ford Honors Distinguished Artist Award.

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Antiphon: Ave Maria gratia plena Plainsong

Ave maria gratia plena dominus tecum benedicta tu in mulieribus et benedictus fructus ventris tui Jesu.

Translation by L. Rosenwald.

Hail Mary, full of grace, the lord is with you. You are blessed among women and blessed also is Jesus, the fruit of your womb.

Motet: Alma redemptoris mater Ockeghem

Alma redemptoris mater que pervia celi porta manens, Et stella maris, succure cadenti surgere qui curat populo: Tu que genuisti, natura mirante, tuum sanctum genitorem: Virgo prius ac posterius, Gabrielis ab ore sumens illud ave, peccatorum miserere.

Translation by L. Rosenwald.

O kindly mother of the redeemer you who are still the open gate of heaven and the star of the sea; aid this fallen people which strives to rise: you who gave birth to your holy father, while nature looked on in wonder: you, who were a virgin before and after, receiving the "Hail!" from Gabriel's lips, have mercy on sinners.

Introit: Salve sancta parens

Plainsong

Salve sancta parens, enixa puerpera regem, qui celum terramque regit in secula seculorum.

Post partum virgo inviolata permansisti: dei genitrix intercede pro nobis.

Gloria patri et filio et spiritui sancto sicut erat in principio et nunc et semper et in secula seculorum.

Amen.

Translation by The Maryknoll Missal.

Hail, holy mother, who brought forth the king who rules heaven and earth forever and ever.

You bore a child, O virgin, and remained a virgin still.

Mother of God, intercede for us.

Glory be to the father, and to the son, and to the holy spirit as it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be, world without end.

Amen.

Kyrie: Missa Mi-Mi Gloria: Missa Mi-Mi Ockeghem

Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison.

Gloria in excelsis deo,
et in terra pax hominibus
bone voluntatis. Laudamus te,
benedicimus te, adoramus te,
glorificamus te, gratias agimus tibi
propter magnam gloriam tuam,
domine deus, rex celestis,
deus pater omnipotens.
Domine fili unigenite jesu christe,
domine deus, agnus dei, filius patris.
Qui tollis peccata mundi,

miserere nobis. Qui tollis peccata mundi, suscipe deprecationem nostram. Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy. Lord have mercy.

hear our prayer.

Glory to God in the highest heaven,
and, on earth, peace
to men of good will. We praise you,
we bless you, we adore you,
we glorify you, we thank you for
your great glory: you
lord God, king of heaven,
God the omnipotent father,
and you, lord, the only son, Jesus Christ,
lord God, lamb of God, the father's son.
You who take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.
You who take away the sins of the world,

Qui sedes ad dexteram patris,
miserere nobis, quoniam tu solus sanctus,
tu solus dominus, tu solus
altissimus, jesu christe,
cum sancto spiritu
in gloria dei patris.

Amen.

Translation by L. Rosenwald.

You who sit at the father's right hand,
have mercy on us, for you alone are holy,
you alone are the lord, you alone are
the highest, you, Jesus Christ,
together with the holy spirit in the
glory of God the father.

Amen.

Epistle: Ab inicio et ante secula Plainsong

Lectio liber sapientie.

Ab inicio et ante secula creata sum:
et usque ad futurum seculum non desinam,
et in habitacione sancta coram ipso ministravi,
et sic in syon firmata sum:
et in civitate sanctificata similiter requievi,
et in iherusalem potestas mea.
Et radicavi in populo honorificato:
et in partes dei mei hereditas illius:
et in plenitudine sanctorum detencio mea.

Translation by The Maryknoll Missal.

A reading from the Book of Wisdom.
From the beginning, and before the world, was I created,
and unto the world to come I shall not cease to be,
and in the holy dwelling place I have ministered before him.
And so was I established in Sion, and in the holy city likewise I rested, and my power was in Jerusalem.
And I took root in an honorable people, even in the portion of my God his inheritance, and my abode is in the full assembly of saints.

Gradual: Benedicta et venerabilis Plainsong

Benedicta et venerabilis es virgo maria: que sine tactu pudoris inventa es mater salvatoris.

Virgo dei genitrix, quem totus non capit orbis in tua se clausit viscera factus homo.

Translation by The Maryknoll Missal.

You are blessed and venerable, O virgin Mary, for without loss of your virginity you became the mother of our savior.

O virgin mother of God, he whom the whole world cannot contain enclosed himself in your womb, and was made man.

Alleluya: Virga yesse floruit

Plainsong

Alleluya, alleluya. Virga yesse floruit, virgo deum et hominem genuit, pacem deus reddidit in se reconcilians yma summis. Alleluya.

Translation by The Maryknoll Missal.

Alleluia, alleluia. The rod of Jesse has blossomed. A virgin has brought forth the God-man. God has restored peace to us, reconciling in himself the lowness of earth and the highness of heaven. Alleluia.

Motet: Salve regina

Ockeghem

Salve regina, mater misericordie: vita dulcedo, et spes nostra, salve. Ad te clamamus, exsules, filii heve. Ad te suspiramus, gementes et flentes in hac lacrymarum valle. Eia, ergo, advocata nostra, illos tuos misericordes oculos ad nos converte. Et Iesum, benedictum fructum ventris tui nobis post hoc exsilium ostende. O clemens, o pia, o dulcis virgo maria.

Hail, holy queen, mother of mercy, our life, our sweetness and our hope. To you we cry, poor banished children of Eve, to you we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this vale of tears. Turn, then, most gracious advocate, your merciful eyes towards us; and after this our exile, show unto us Jesus, the blessed fruit of your womb. O merciful, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.

Translation by L. Rosenwald.

Gospel: Factum est dum loqueretur Plainsong

Sequentia sancti evangelii secundum lucam. In illo tempore: Factum est dum loqueretur ihesus ad turbas: extollens vocem quedam mulier de turba: dixit illi: beatus venter qui te portavit: et ubera que suxisti. Quinimmo:

beati qui audiunt

verbum dei: et custodiunt illud. The holy gospel according to Luke. At that time, as Jesus was speaking to the multitudes, a certain woman from the crowd lifted up her voice and said to him, "Blessed is the womb that bore thee, and the breasts that nursed thee." But he said, "Rather, blessed are they who hear the word of God and keep it."

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Credo: Missa Mi-Mi

Ockeghem

Credo in unum deum, patrem omnipotentem, factorem celi et terre, visibilium omnium et invisibilium, et in unum dominum iesum christum, filium dei unigenitum,

et ex patre

natum ante omnia secula, deum de deo. lumen de lumine, deum verum de deo vero. genitum non factum, consubstanti

alem patri,

per quem omnia facta sunt; qui propter nos homines et propter nostram salutem descendit de celis et incarnatus est de

spiritu sancto ex maria virgine, et homo factus est; crucifixus etiam pro nobis sub pontio pilato, passus et sepultus est.

Et resurrexit tertia die, secundum scripturas. et ascendit in celum, sedet ad dexteram patris. et iterum venturus est cum gloria

iudicare vivos et mortuos, cujus regni non erit finis.

Et in spiritum sanctum dominum et vivificantem.

qui ex patre filioque procedit, qui cum patre et filio simul adoratur

et conglorificatur, qui locutus est per prophetas;

et unam sanctam catholicam et apostolicam ecclesiam;

confiteor unum baptisma in remissionem peccatorum,

et expecto resurrectionem mortuorum and the life of the world to come.

Amen.

Translation by L. Rosenwald.

I believe in one God, the omnipotent father. maker of heaven and earth, and of all visible and invisible things; and in one lord Iesus Christ, the only son of God, born from the father

before all time, God from God, light from light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of the same substance as the father.

by whom all things were made; who for us

men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was made flesh by the holy spirit out of the virgin Mary, and was made a man; and also was crucified for us under Pontius Pilate, suffered, and

was buried: and rose again on the third day, according to scripture,

and went up to heaven, and sits at the father's right hand;

and will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead; whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the holy spirit, the lord and life-giver,

who comes forth from the father and the son; who is worshipped and glorified; who spoke through the prophets; and in one, holy, catholic and

apostolic church. I acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins;

and I expect the resurrection of the dead, et vitam venturi seculi.

Amen.

Offertory: Felix namque

Plainsong

Felix namque es sacra virgo maria, et omni laude dignissima, quia ex te ortus est sol iustitiae, christus deus noster. Alleluia.

Translation by The Maryknoll Missal

You are blessed indeed, O holy virgin Mary, and most worthy of all praise; for out of you arose the sun of justice, Christ our Lord, Alleluia.

Sanctus: Missa Mi-Mi

Ockeghem

Sanctus, sanctus, sanctus dominus deus sabaoth. Holy, holy, holy lord God of hosts. Pleni sunt celi et terre gloria tua. Hosanna in excelsis. Benedictus qui venit in nomine domini. Hosanna in excelsis.

Translation by L. Rosenwald.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest heaven. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the lord. Hosanna in the highest heaven.

Pater Noster

Plainsong

Preceptis salutaribus moniti et divina institucione formati audemus dicere: Pater noster qui es in celis sanctificeter nomen tuum. Adveniat regnum tuum, fiat voluntas tua. sicut in celo et in terra. Panem nostrum cotidianum da nobis hodie

et dimitte nobis debita nostra. sicut et nos dimittimus debitoribus nostris.

Et ne nos inducas in temptacionem, sed libera nos a malo.

Amen.

Prompted by saving precepts, and taught by your divine teaching we dare to say: Our father, who art in heaven hallowed be thy name: thy kingdon come thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven Give us this day our daily bread

and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

Amen.

Translation by The Maryknoll Missal.

Agnus dei: Missa Mi-Mi

Ockeghem

Agnus dei qui tollis
peccata mundi, miserere nobis.
Agnus dei qui tollis
peccata mundi, miserere nobis.
Agnus dei qui tollis
peccata mundi,
dona nobis pacem.

Translation by L. Rosenwald.

Lamb of God, who take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, who take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, who take away the sins of the world,

grant us peace.

Communion: Regina mundi

Plainsong

Regina mundi et domina, virgo maria perpetua, intercede pro nostra pace et salute que genuisti christum dominum, salvatorem omnium.

Translation by S. Hellauer.

Queen and mistress of the world, ever-virgin Mary, intercede for our peace and well-being, you who bore Christ the lord, savior of us all.

Motet: Ave Maria

Ockeghem

Ave maria, gratia plena, dominus tecum. Benedicta tu in mulieribus et benedictus fructus ventris tui jesus christus.

Amen.

Translation by L. Rosenwald.

Hail Mary, full of grace, the lord is with you. You are blessed among women and blessed also is Jesus Christ, the fruit of your womb.

Amen.

Hostias et preces (from the Requiem)

Ockeghem .

Hostias et preces tibi, domine offerimus: tu suscipe pro animabus illis, quarum hodie memoriam agimus: fac eas, domine, de morte transire ad vitam.

Translation by L. Rosenwald.

Together with our prayers we offer thee, O lord, the sacrifice; do thou receive it in behalf of the souls whom this day we have in mind; lead them, O lord, from death into life.

Déploration: Nymphes des bois

Josquin des Pres

Nymphes des bois, déesses de fontaines Chantres expers de toutes nations: Changez voz voix tant clères et haultaines En cris tranchantz et lamentations. Car Atropos, tres terrible satrappe, A vostr'Ockeghem attrapé en sa trappe Vray tresorier de musique et chef d'oeuvre, doct, elegant de corps, et non point trappe, Dont grant doumaig'est que la terre coeuvre.

Accoutrez vous d'abitz de deuil: Josquin, Brumel, Pirchon, Compère; Et plorez grosses larmes d'oeil: Perdu avez vostre bon pere. Requiescat in pace.

Amen.

Tenor:

Requiem eternam dona eis, domine; et lux perpetua luceat eis. Requiescat in pace. Amen.

Translation by L. Rosenwald.

Nymphs of the woods, spirits of the fountains, accomplished singers of every land: change your bright lofty songs to shrill wailings and lamentations, for Atropos, that terrible satrap, has entrapped your Ockeghem in her trap, music's true treasurer and chief administrator, learned, handsome, and not at all fat. What a great pity that the earth lies over him.

Dress yourselves in mourning, Josquin, Brumel, Pirchon, Compère, and weep great tears; you have lost your good father, may he rest in peace.

Amen.

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ohannes Ockeghem was born in the opening years of the fifteenth century in Flanders (modern-day Belgium). Details about his life are scant until some time during the 1440s, when he was hired as a singer by Charles I, Duke of Bourbon in France. By 1452 he was employed by King Charles VII of France, and by 1454 he held the position of first singer (*premièr chapelain*) at the royal court and chapel. He sang bass, composed liturgical music (along with some secular songs), and most likely functioned as music director or choir leader as well. Among the

honors which were heaped upon him was his appointment to the prestigious and lucrative office of treasurer of the abbey of St. Martin-de-Tours. He remained a valued member of the royal house-hold and of St. Martin's until his death in 1497, when he was mourned as an exceptional singer, composer and human being.

In the years and centuries immediately following his death, Ockeghem was best remembered for his compositions showing mastery over musical devices such as mode and canon. But

Ockeghem was no pedant. In his lifetime he was renowned for the sweetness and subtlety of expression in his works; his technical craft was always clothed in music of the most exquisite beauty.

The relatively small number of his surviving works belies Johannes Ockeghem's tremendous influence on the development of choral polyphony in the fifteenth century. His sacred music forms a bridge between the elaborately structured motets of the latemedieval Burgundian school of Dufay and Binchois (whom he admired greatly), and

the highly expressive, emotionally responsive works of the Renaissance masters of the Flemish school: Josquin, Compère, Obrecht and their contemporaries. Though in hind-sight his works might be considered transitional, to his contemporaries they were works of genius in a new musical language, esteemed in Ockeghem's lifetime and for generations after his death.

We have built our program around Ockeghem's four-voice "Missa Mi-Mi," a mature masterpiece of melodic invention, probably based on one of Ockeghem's own chansons ("Presque transi"). Its droll-sound-

ing name is actually an arcanely theoretical way of designating its scale, or mode (fourth, or hypophrygian). To this we have added three of Ockeghem's great Marian motets, a movement from Ockeghem's Requiem, and Josquin's setting of Jean Molinet's elegy "Nymphes des bois."

Ockeghem's Masses set the Ordinary texts — the texts that, with some rare exceptions, are used on every occasion. From a fifteenthcentury Parisian mass book we have chosen plainsong mass Propers (texts that are

proper to a particular occasion) for the votive mass to the Virgin Mary, or Ladymass, usually celebrated on Saturday.

The inclusion of much of the plainsong that would have been part of a solemn mass in Ockeghem's day is, for us, more than just a matter of liturgical correctness. We believe that plainsong and polyphony enhance each other now as they did in Ockeghem's time. We believe as well that there is a symbiosis between plainsong and Ockeghem's sacred music that goes beyond simple use of melodic ideas. Though we base our opinions

"I am sure you could not dislike this man, so pleasing is the beauty of his person, so noteworthy the sobriety of his speech and of his morals, and his grace. He alone of all singers is free from all vice and abounds in all virtues."

— Francesco Florio

largely on the music itself due to lack of chronological evidence, it seems clear that as Ockeghem's musical style matures, he moves farther away from the treble dominated, sectionalized, and often colorfully chromatic three-part writing of the previous generation, toward a style in which each of the voice parts (now most often numbering four or five) is melodically whole in itself. Cadences are seamlessly overlapped, inaudibly joined; sharp chromatic inflections and jagged melodic edges give way to a smoother, more modally diatonic style. But the resulting chant-like rivers of sound are not still and placid; the transfixing, hypnotic flow of plainsong is infused by Ockeghem with harmonic and rhythmic vitality, as the polyphony builds to climaxes as stirring in their way as any ever devised.

Has that voice, then, once so noble, now fallen silent, the golden voice of Ockeghem? Is the glory of music quenched, then? Then, Apollo, come, speak out elegies upon your lyre strings. And you also, Calliope, in mourning with your sisters, shed the tears he deserves. And all of you who are possessed by the sweet study of music, weep, and bear the man off with praises of his Apollonian art. The holy Phoenix is fallen.

What have you done, O envious death? The golden voice of Ockeghem, that once resounded through hallowed halls, is stilled. Once it caressed the tears of the angels, and swayed the hearts of men, too, to their depths. What have you done, O envious death? It should have been enough to destroy the works of man. But music is a divine thing: why thus do you assault the gods?

— Desiderius Erasmus, *Ergo ne conticuit* trans. Lawrence Rosenwald

Program notes by Susan Hellauer.

Antiphon: Ave Maria gratia plena Plainsong

The best-known prayer of the Catholic Church is based on the scriptural words of the angel Gabriel to Mary, announcing her selection as Jesus' mother. This antiphon is part of the Divine Office, and is sung during Advent.

Motet: Alma redemptoris mater Ockeghem

The four great Marian antiphons ("Alma redemptoris mater," "Ave regina celorum," "Regina celi" and "Salve regina") share a comparatively humble spot in the liturgy. Each one closes Compline (a late-evening hour of the Divine Office) during a different part of the church year. "Alma redemptoris mater" is sung during Christmastide, and in Ockeghem's motet setting, the sweetly simple chant melody is rhapsodically expanded in the alto voice.

Introit: Salve sancta parens Plainsong

The Introit is a chant that accompanies an action (here the entrance of the celebrants). The music and structure are fairly simple, since the focus is on the action of the procession. The repetition scheme of antiphon, psalm verse and doxology, as well as the number of cantors (soloists), might vary depending on local usage and the importance of the feast day.

Kyrie: Missa Mi-Mi Gloria: Missa Mi-Mi Ockeghem

The distinctive interval of a falling fifth, heard in the bass voice at the opening of both the Kyrie and (more slowly) the Gloria, is the "head motive" that identifies the "Missa Mi-Mi." It is typical of Ockeghem's mature technique that, aside from this small gesture, the stylistic "glue" that binds the movements of this mass together is virtually (and, some have said, mystically) unanalyzable.

Epistle: Ab inicio et ante secula Plainsong

Very early forms of the mass had readings from both the Old Testament (Lesson) and the New (Epistle). With certain exceptions, this number was reduced to a single reading, chanted on a tone by the deacon in a solemn mass.

Gradual: Benedicta et venerabilis Alleluya: Virga yesse floruit Plainsong

The Gradual and Alleluya chants are sung between the Epistle/Lesson and Gospel. Like the Introit, the Gradual has its origins in psalmody, but it differs from the Introit in that it accompanies no liturgical action. Thus, claiming the congregation's full attention, the Gradual becomes an elaborate musical event, with long, ornate melismas, and a solo verse. The Alleluya, a direct borrowing from Jewish ritual, follows immediately after the Gradual.

Motet: Salve regina Ockeghem

Of the four great Marian antiphons, "Salve Regina" has the longest annual reign, being sung from Trinity Sunday (eight weeks after Easter) to Advent (late November). And of these four antiphons, Salve Regina makes the most direct emotional plea to the Virgin. As in Alma Redemptoris Mater, Ockeghem uses the original plainsong as an elaborated cantus firmus, this time in the bass voice, beneath some of his most complex, darkly ornate polyphony.

Gospel: Factum est dum loqueretur Plainsong

The deacon was also assigned to chant the Gospel on solemn days. This type of recitation was actually an early form of amplification, allowing the words of scripture to be heard by a greater number of people. One might wonder what Mary would have thought of this little exchange, had she been there to hear it.

Credo: Missa Mi-Mi Ockeghem

As in many Renaissance settings of the Credo, several of the statements are cut apart and divided among the voices, telescoping the lengthy text into a more compact form. The opening of both the Credo and the Gloria of this mass are motivically related to Ockeghem's motet "Intemerata dei mater."

Offertory: Felix namque Plainsong

The Offertory chant accompanies the presentation of the bread and wine during Mass. "Felix namque" is a rather simple Offertory with no verse or repetitive structure, but with several elegant melismas, most notably on the final "Alleluya."

Sanctus: Missa Mi-Mi Ockeghem

After the verbose energy of the Gloria and Credo, the Sanctus returns to the more transparent texture of the Kyrie, intensified now by an increased rate of dissonance, and by a more complex structure.

Pater Noster Plainsong

The basic Christian prayer, given by Jesus to his disciples, is a part of almost every liturgical service. The plainsong formula is essentially the same as that used today.

Agnus dei: Missa Mi-Mi Ockeghem

The simple tripartite structure of the opening Kyrie reappears in the *Agnus dei*, wth the increased dissonance of the Sanctus growing into a seductive tangle of tension and resolution.

Communion: Regina mundi Plainsong

Generally brief and unadorned, the Communion chant is sung during the distribution of the Eucharist.

Motet: Ave Maria Ockeghem

Ockeghem's motet, unrelated to any known "Ave Maria" melody, sets Gabriel's greeting to Mary, expanding each short, familiar phrase into an elaborate, expressive statement.

Hostias et preces (from the *Requiem*) Ockeghem

This verse is taken from the Offertory of Ockeghem's *Requiem*, a work that may have been produced over a period of several years. The three-voice section starting at "tu suscipe" is written in an older style with many piquant dissonances, reminiscent of Binchois' sacred works.

Déploration: Nymphes des bois Josquin des Pres Born 1440 probably in Hainaut Died August 27, 1521 in Condé-sur-Escaut, near Valenciennes

The elegaic poem by Jean Molinet alternates classical references with affectionate personal sentiments. Josquin's heartfelt setting reflects this dichotomy perfectly, mixing gently arching phrases with anguished cries in jagged lines. The Introit chant of the *Requiem Mass* flows serenely in the baritone voice, unaffected by the expressions of grief of either gods or men.

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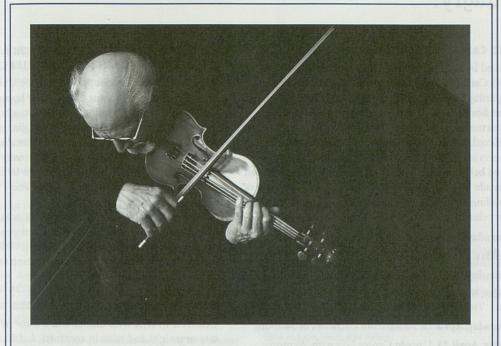
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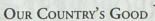
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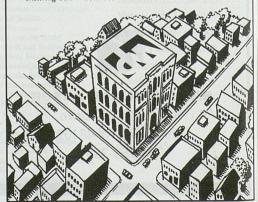


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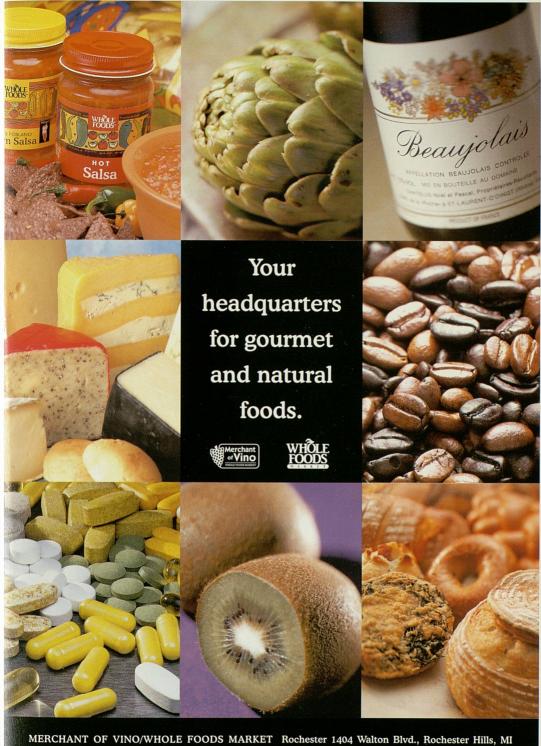
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