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hanks very much for attending this UMS performance and for supporting the performing arts in our community. UMS' 1999-2000 season is one of our best ever, and I hope I'll see you at some other performances. A complete listing of the season begins on page 29.

To be able to bring performances like this one to Ann Arbor takes a lot of people working together as a team. I'm privileged to work with an outstanding Board of Directors, Senate, Advisory Committee, and staff, all of whose names are listed on pages 14-15.

It is the staff who works day in and day out to assure that you are able to see the world's best performing artists. I firmly believe that UMS has the finest staff of any performing arts presenting organization in the country. The programming staff works with artists and artists' managers to design a diverse, exciting, and high-quality season, which this year features over ninety performances. The production staff looks after the wellbeing of our artists and makes the performances look sharp and run smoothly. The education and audience development team, working with over fifty community partners, designs and manages more than 175 events to enhance the audiences' understanding and appreciation of our artists and their work. People

learn about our programs through many different media thanks to the efforts of our marketing staff, which last season led UMS to an all-time record in ticket sales. Our box office staff has a well-deserved reputation of providing outstanding personalized service. The internal operation of UMS—finances, human resources, space, planning, etc.—are the purview of our skilled administrative team. And then there's the development team that each year raises 41% of our income, which is necessary to meet costs not covered by ticket sales. In the 1998-99 season, this figure was \$2.3 million.

Speaking of development, this year UMS celebrates the tenth anniversary of Catherine Arcure's service as Director of Development. In these ten years, Cathy's department has always exceeded its annual fundraising goal and has nearly tripled the number of donors to UMS. Our overall financial health has



improved dramatically in the past decade, and Cathy's fundraising successes with individuals as well as foundations, corporations, and government agencies have been key to this turnaround. Cathy has also been instrumental in developing the Advisory Committee into an outstanding volunteer organization that raises over \$200,000 a year for UMS through the Ford Honors Program, Season Opening Party, an annual auction, and other special projects. Then there is Cathy's personal commitment to serve each and every member of UMS.

Among Cathy's proudest achievements is *BRAVO!*, the 224-page cookbook which UMS unveiled on September 17. More than 100 volunteers, under the leadership of Mary Ann Daane and Anne Glendon, worked on this publication for over two years. What better way for Cathy to combine two of her loves, cooking and UMS, than to create a vehicle for people everywhere to enjoy the legends, lore, and recipes from 120 years of UMS—and for UMS to have a source of revenue for many years to come. For more information on *BRAVO!*, please see p. 37.

Thank you, Cathy, for your outstanding contribution to UMS and to our community.

I'd like to know your thoughts about this performance. I'd also like to learn from you about anything we can do at UMS to make your concertgoing experience the best possible. If we don't see each other in the lobby, please call my office at 734.647.1174, drop me a note, or send me an e-mail message at kenfisch@umich.edu.

Sincerely,

Kenneth C. Fischer, President

Ken Fischer

#### LETTER FROM THE CHAIR

t is with great pride that we acknowledge and extend our gratitude to the major business contributors to our 1999/2000 season listed on the following pages. We are proud to have been chosen by them, for their investment in the University Musical Society is clear evidence



not only of their wish to accomplish good things for our community and region, but also to be associated with excellence. It is a measure of their belief in UMS that many of these companies have had a

long history of association with us and have expanded and diversified their support in very meaningful ways.

Increasingly, our annual fundraising requirements are met by the private sector: very special individuals, organizations and companies that so generously help bring the magic to UMS performances and educational programs throughout southeastern Michigan. We know that all of our supporters must make difficult choices from among the many worthwhile causes that deserve their support. We at UMS are grateful for the opportunities that these gifts make possible, enhancing the quality of life in our area.

Sincerely,

Beverley Gether

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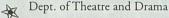


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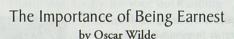


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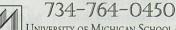


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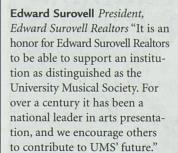
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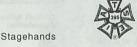
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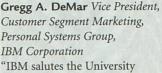


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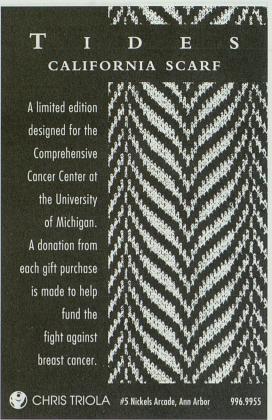
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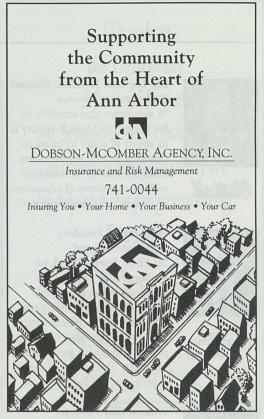
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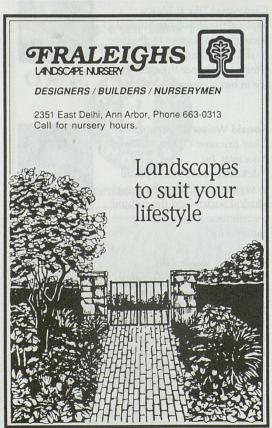




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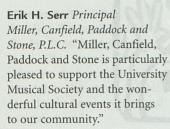








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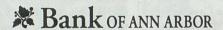
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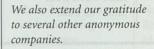
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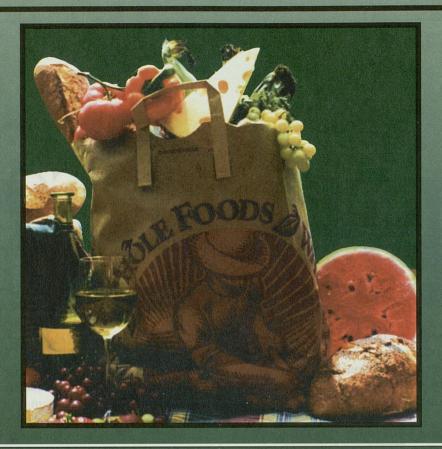
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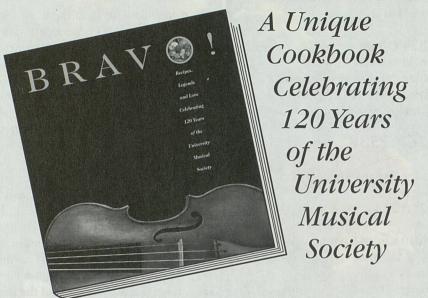
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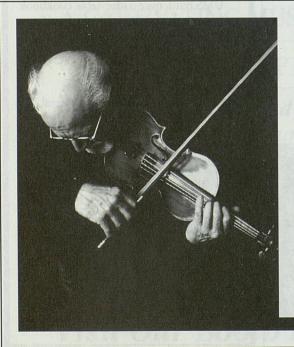
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# UMS Annals

#### **UMS HISTORY**

he goal of the University Musical Society (UMS) is 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, has placed UMS in a league of internationally-recognized performing arts presenters. Indeed, Musical America selected UMS as one of the five most influential arts presenters in the United States in 1999. Today, the UMS seasonal program is a reflection of a thoughtful respect for its rich and varied history, balanced by a commitment to dynamic and creative visions of where the performing arts will take us in the upcoming 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. Their first performance of Handel's *Messiah* was in December of 1879, and this glorious oratorio has since been performed by the UMS Choral Union annually.

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

Since that first season in 1880, UMS has expanded greatly and now presents the very best traditional and contemporary work from the full spectrum of the performing arts — internationally renowned recitalists and

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orchestras, dance and chamber ensembles, jazz and world music performers, performance artists, opera and theatre. Through educational endeavors, commissioning of new works, youth programs, artist residencies and other collaborative projects, UMS has maintained its reputation for quality, artistic distinction and innovation. UMS now hosts over ninety performances and more than 175 educational events each season. UMS has flourished with the support of a generous community that gathers to enjoy world-class events in Hill and Rackham Auditoria, the

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#### **UMS CHORAL UNION**

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 150-voice Choral Union is especially well known for its definitive performances of large-scale works for chorus and orchestra. Six 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 Meadow Brook for subscription performances of Beethoven's Symphony No. 9, Orff's Carmina Burana, Ravel's Daphnis et Chloé and Brahms' Ein deutsches Requiem, 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 the 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).

In the past two seasons, the Choral Union has given acclaimed concert presentations of Gershwin's *Porgy and Bess* with the Birmingham-Bloomfield Symphony Orchestra and musical-theatre favorites with Erich Kunzel and the DSO at Meadow Brook. A 72-voice chorus drawn from the larger choir has performed Duruflé's *Requiem*, the Langlais *Messe Solenelle*, the Mozart *Requiem* and other works, and the Choral Union Chamber Chorale recently presented "Creativity in Later Life," a program of late works by nine composers of all historical periods, at the University of Michigan Museum of Art.

During the 1998-99 season, the Choral Union performed in three major subscription series at Orchestra Hall with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra, including performances of Brahms' Ein deutsches Requiem and Rachmaninoff's The Bells, both conducted by Neeme Järvi, and Kodaly's Psalmus Hungaricus, conducted by the legendary Gennady Rozhdestvensky. Other programs included Handel's Messiah with the Ann Arbor Symphony Orchestra, and Carmina Burana with the Toledo Symphony.

During the current season, the Choral Union will again appear in three series with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra: the first two, conducted by Neeme Järvi, include performances of Shostakovitch's Symphony No. 13 (Babi Yar) followed by Beethoven's Symphony No. 9 paired with Stravinsky's Symphony of Psalms. The last of these three series will feature performances of John Adams' Harmonium, conducted by the composer. The women of the chorus will also perform Mahler's Symphony No. 3 with the Ann Arbor Symphony, and sixty singers will join the Gabrieli Consort & Players for an Advent program based on the music of Praetorius. A highlight of the season will be a performance on Palm Sunday afternoon, April 16, 2000, of J. S. Bach's monumental *St. Matthew Passion* with the Ann Arbor Symphony in Hill Auditorium, conducted by Thomas Sheets.

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, call 734.763.8997 or e-mail edeb@umich.edu.

## AUDITORIA & BURTON MEMORIAL TOWER

#### 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 eighty-six years. With acoustics that highlight everything from the softest notes of vocal recitalists to the grandeur of the finest orchestras, Hill Auditorium is known and loved throughout the world.

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*. The auditorium seated 4,597 when it first opened; subsequent renovations, which increased the size of the stage to accommodate both an orchestra and a large chorus (1948) and improved wheelchair seating (1995), decreased the seating capacity to its current 4,163.



Hill Auditorium

Hill Auditorium is slated for renovation in the coming years. Developed by Albert Kahn and Associates (architects of the original concert hall) and leading theatre and acoustical consultants, the renovation plans include an elevator, expanded bathroom facilities, air conditioning, and other improvements.

#### Rackham Auditorium

c ixty 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, which is still considered one of the most ambitious ever given to higher-level education, 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. Hill Auditorium was too massive and technically limited for most productions, and the Lydia Mendelssohn Theatre too small. 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, realizing that state and federal government were unlikely to provide financial support for the construction of a new theatre.

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 1,390-seat Power Center is more than seventy-two 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.



Rackham Auditorium

#### Michigan Theater

he historic Michigan Theater opened January 5, 1928 at the peak of the vaudeville/movie palace era. Designed by Maurice Finkel, the 1,710-seat theater cost approximately \$600,000 when it was first built. 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 will be completed by 2003.

In the fall of 1999, the Michigan Theater will open the doors of a new 200-seat screening room addition, as well as additional restroom facilities, which have been built onto the existing 1928 structure.

#### St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church

n 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 on March 19, 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.

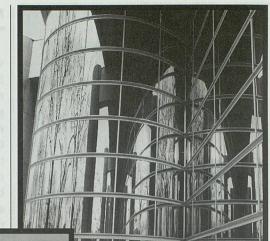
#### Lydia Mendelssohn Theatre

n 1926, construction was being discussed for the Women's League, the female counterpart to the all-male Michigan Union. Gordon Mendelssohn of Detroit seized the opportunity to support the inclusion of a theatre in the plans and building of the Woman's League, and donated \$50,000 in 1926 to establish the Lydia Mendelssohn Theatre, stipulating that the theatre would

always bear his mother's name. UMS recently began presenting artists in the Lydia Mendelssohn Theatre in 1993, when Eartha Kitt and Barbara Cook graced the stage of the intimate 658-seat 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 UMS' roster and the home of the Song Recital series.

#### Detroit Opera House

he Detroit Opera House opened in April of 1996 following an extensive renovation by Michigan Opera Theatre. Boasting a 75,000 square foot stage house (the largest stage between New York and Chicago), an orchestra pit large enough to accommodate 100 musicians and an acoustical virtue to rival the world's great opera houses, the 2,800-seat facility has rapidly become one of the most viable and coveted theatres in the nation. In only two seasons, the Detroit Opera House became the foundation of a landmark programming collaboration with the Nederlander organization and Olympia



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Theatre's grand opera season and dance series, and through quality programming, partnerships and educational initiatives, the Detroit Opera House plays a vital role in enriching the lives of the community.

#### **Burton Memorial Tower**

Seen from miles away, this well-known University of Michigan and Ann Arbor landmark is the box office and administrative location for UMS.

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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-12:30 p.m. weekdays when classes are in session and most Saturdays from 10:15-10:45 a.m.

## **University Musical** Society

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#### **Event Program Book**

Saturday, December 4 through Tuesday, December 14, 1999

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#### Handel's Messiah **UMS Choral Union**

Ann Arbor Symphony Orchestra Thomas Sheets, conductor Saturday, December 4, 8:00pm Sunday, December 5, 2:00pm Hill Auditorium

#### **Boys Choir of Harlem**

Dr. Walter J. Turnbull, director Thursday, December 9, 8:00pm Hill Auditorium

#### Frederica von Stade

Friday, December 10, 8:00pm Lydia Mendelssohn Theatre

#### Gabrieli Consort & Players

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Mr. Siebert and Mr. Wentzel appear by arrangement with Herbert Barrett Management, Inc.

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#### Messiah

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

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

Since the first performances in 1742, generations of musicians have adapted Handel's Messiah to suit the changing tastes of fashion and function. The small ensembles Handel conducted himself had around twenty singers and an equal number of instrumental players, but even before the end of the eighteenth century much larger ensembles were performing the work. By the mid-nineteenth century, when the appeal of the spectacle sometimes outweighed the demands of musical integrity, singers and instrumentalists for a single performance would often number in the several thousands. But the size of the ensemble wasn't the only variable. Mozart re-orchestrated Handel's score in 1789, adding extra parts for woodwinds to give the orchestral writing richer harmonies and a more varied timbre. Sir Arthur Sullivan and Eugene Goosens likewise made their own arrangements of the orchestral parts, updating the work for their respective audiences. And in 1993, a popular recording of excerpts from Messiah titled A Soulful Celebration brought together Stevie Wonder, Quincy Jones, Al Jarreau, the Boys Choir of Harlem, and others in a

gospel-style interpretation of Handel's music. The diversity of performance styles and enthusiastic responses to this oratorio over the centuries testify to its immense popularity.

The oratorio as a musical genre originated during the seventeenth century in the churches and monasteries of Italy. In the Oratory (a side chapel found in many consecrated buildings), the theatrical presentation of vocal music on a sacred topic was an adjunct to the liturgy of the Church. But by 1700, oratorios were being performed in private chapels and palaces as a form of entertainment, and had taken on the now-standard characteristics of a sung drama on sacred texts, without staging or costumes.

Handel composed several oratorios early in his career, including some in Italian – Il Trionfo del Tempo e del Disinganno and La Resurrezione – and the later English-language works Esther, Deborah, and Athalia. But after the collapse of his operatic ventures in London around 1740, Handel devoted himself to the oratorio as a form in which he could combine his flair for dramatic vocal writing and his experience as a composer of sacred, devotional music. With these later oratorios Handel eventually won back the esteem of the London critics, and secured a phenomenal public following that would ensure his future success and reputation.

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

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

The swiftness with which Handel composed *Messiah* can be partially explained by the musical borrowings from his own earlier compositions. For example, the melodies used in the two choruses "And He shall purify" and "His yoke is easy" were taken from an Italian chamber duet Handel had written earlier in 1741, "Quel fior che all' alba ride." Another secular duet, "Nò, di voi non vo' fidarmi," provided material for the famous chorus "For unto us a Child is born," and the delightful "All we like sheep" borrows its wandering melismas from the same duet. A madrigal from 1712, "Se tu non lasci amore," was transformed into a

duet-chorus pair for the end of the oratorio, "O Death, where is thy sting," and "But thanks be to God." In each instance, however. Handel does more than simply provide new words to old tunes. There is considerable recomposition, and any frivolity that remains from the light-

hearted secular models is more than compensated for by the new material Handel masterfully worked into each chorus.

Over-enthusiastic "Handelists" in the nineteenth century perpetuated all sorts of legends regarding the composition of *Messiah*. An often-repeated story relates how Handel's servant found him sobbing with emotion

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Handel's Messiah in Hill Auditorium

while writing the famous "Hallelujah Chorus," and the composer claiming, "I did think I did see all Heaven before me and the great God Himself." Supposedly Handel often left his meals untouched during this compositional period, in an apparent display of devotional fasting and monastic self-denial. Present-day historians more familiar

with Handel's life and religious views tend to downplay these stories. It's been suggested that if Handel did indeed have visions of Heaven while he composed *Messiah*, then it was only in the same manner in which he visualized the Roman pantheon of gods while he composed his opera *Semele*. Handel's religious faith was sincere, but tended to be practical rather than mystical.

their swords at home, in order to accommodate more people in the hall. *Messiah* was an unqualified success in Dublin; Handel had worked for months preparing his chorus and orchestra, and brought in some of the finest solo singers from England. The alto soloist in particular sang so affectingly that after one aria an audience member exclaimed from his chair, "Woman, for this,

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Handel was also not a native Englishspeaker, and examples of awkward text-setting in Messiah demonstrate some idiosyncrasies in his English declamation. He set the word "were" as if it had two syllables, and "surely" with three syllables. In the bass aria, "The trumpet shall sound," Handel originally declaimed "incorruptible" with emphasis on the second and fourth syllables. While these can be corrected by the editor of the score or the singer in performance, sometimes Handel placed rhythmic accents on the wrong words entirely. Yet they are so familiar to us now that we don't hear them as unusual: "For unto us a Child is born," or "Come unto Him, ye that are heavy laden."

The first public performance of *Messiah* took place in Dublin, Ireland, on 13 April 1742. As this was to be a benefit performance for charity, the ladies were asked not to wear hoop dresses, and the men to leave

Chorus"), London audiences found its contemplative texts lacking in drama and narrative action, and it closed after only three performances. Some clergy considered the theatre in general a den of iniquity and certainly no place for a work on such a sacred topic (Handel couldn't win – when it was scheduled to be performed in Westminster Abbey, other members of the clergy declared it sacrilege for a public entertainment to take place in a consecrated church). And Jennens, the librettist, wasn't entirely pleased with what Handel had done to his texts. After initially voicing his thorough disappointment with the work, Jennens later declared Handel's composition "a fine Entertainment, tho' not near so good as he might and ought to have done." It wasn't until 1750, when another performance for charity was staged at the Foundling Hospital in London, that English audiences took Messiah to their hearts, and yearly performances at the hospital from that time on established the lasting popularity of both the work and its composer. Upon Handel's death in 1759, he willed his score and parts for *Messiah* to the Foundling Hospital in a charitable gesture of gratitude.

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

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

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

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

Program note by Luke Howard.

### Part I

#### 1 Sinfonia

2 Arioso
Isaiah 40: 1
Comfort ye, comfort ye my people, saith your God.
Isaiah 40: 2
Speak ye comfortably to Jerusalem, and cry unto her that her warfare is accomplished, that her iniquity is pardoned.
Isaiah 40: 3
The voice of him that crieth in the wilderness: Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make straight in the desert a highway for our God.

### 3 Air Mr. Siebert Isaiah 40: 4 Every valley sh

Every valley shall be exalted, and every mountain and hill ... made low: the crooked ... straight, and the rough places plain:

#### 4 Chorus Isaiah 40: 5

Haggai 2: 6

Haggai 2: 7

And the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together: for the mouth of the Lord hath spoken it.

#### 5 Accompanied recitative Mr. Wentzel

... thus saith the Lord of hosts: Yet once, ... a little while, and I will shake the heavens and the earth, the sea and the dry land; And I will shake all nations, and the desire of all nations shall come: ...

Malachi 3: 1 ... the

... the Lord, whom ye seek, shall suddenly come to his temple, even the messenger of the covenant, whom ye delight in: behold, he shall come, saith the Lord of hosts.

### 6 Air Mme. Podleś Malachi 3: 2 But who may ab

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

#### 7 Chorus Malachi 3: 3

Isaiah 7: 14

Isaiah 40: 9

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... and he shall purify the sons of Levi, ... that they may offer unto the Lord an offering in righteousness.

#### Recitative Mme. Podleś

Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel, "God-with-us."

#### Air and Chorus Mme. Podleś

risen upon thee.

O thou that tellest good tidings to Zion, get thee up into the high mountain; O thou that tellest good tidings to Jerusalem, lift up thy voice with strength; lift it up, be not afraid; say unto the cities of Judah: Behold your God!

Arise, shine; for thy light is come, and the glory of the Lord is

Isaiah 60: 1

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

Zechariah 9: 9

Zechariah 9: 10

Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion; shout, O daughter of Jerusalem: behold, thy King cometh unto thee: he is the righteous Saviour, ...

... and he shall speak peace unto the heathen: ...

20	Recitative	Mme. Podleś
	Isaiah 35: 5	Then shall the eyes of the blind be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped.
	Isaiah 35: 6	Then shall the lame man leap as a hart, and the tongue of the dumb shall sing:
21	Air	Mme. Podleś and Ms. Matthews
	Isaiah 40: 11	He shall feed his flock like a shepherd: and he shall gather the lambs with his arm, and carry them in his bosom, and gently lead those that are with young.
	Matthew 11: 28	Come unto him, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and he will give you rest.
	Matthew 11: 29	Take his yoke upon you, and learn of him, for he is meek and lowly of heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls.
22	Chorus	
	Matthew 11: 30	His yoke is easy, and his burden is light.
		Intermission
		Part II
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23	Chorus	
	John 1: 29	Behold, the Lamb of God, that taketh away the sin of the world!
24	Air	Mme. Podleś
	Isaiah 53: 3	He was despised and rejected of men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief:
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spitting.

#### 25 Chorus

Isaiah 53: 4

Isaiah 50: 6

Isaiah 53: 5

Surely he hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows: . . . . . he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised

for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes are we healed.

He gave his back to the smiters, and his cheeks to them that

plucked off the hair: he hid not his face from shame and

#### 26 Chorus

Isaiah 53: 4

All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the Lord hath laid on him the iniquity of us all.

27 Arioso Mr. Siebert

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

lips, and shake their heads, saying:

28 Chorus

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

29 Accompanied recitative Mr. Siebert

Psalm 69: 20 Thy rebuke hath broken his heart; he is full of heaviness: he looked for some to have pity on him, but there was no

man; neither found he any to comfort him.

30 Arioso Mr. Siebert

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

31 Accompanied recitative Mr. Siebert

Isaiah 53: 8 ... he was cut off out of the land of the living: for the transgressions of thy people was he stricken.

32 Air Mr. Siebert

Psalm 16: 10 But thou didst not leave his soul in hell; nor didst thou suffer

thy Holy One to see corruption.

33 Chorus

Psalm 24: 7 Lift up your heads, O ye gates; and be ye lift up, ye everlasting

doors; and the King of glory shall come in.

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

Lord mighty in battle.

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

doors; and the King of glory shall come in.

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

of glory.

34 Recitative Mr. Siebert

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

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

35 Chorus

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

36 Air Mme. Podleś

Psalm 68: 18 Thou art gone up on high, thou has lead captivity captive: and received gifts for men; yea, even for thine enemies, that the

Lord God might dwell among them.

37 Chorus

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

38	Air Isaiah 52: 7	Ms. Matthews and Mme. Podleś  How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things
39	Chorus	
	Romans 10: 18	Their sound is gone out into all lands, and their words unto the ends of the world.
40	Air	Mr. Wentzel
	Psalm 2: 1	Why do the nations so furiously rage together, why do the people imagine a vain thing?
	Psalm 2: 2	The kings of the earth rise up, and the rulers take counsel together against the Lord and his anointed,
41	Chorus	
	Psalm 2: 3	Let us break their bonds asunder, and cast away their yokes from us.
42	Recitative	Mr. Siebert
	Psalm 2: 4	He that dwelleth in heaven shall laugh them to scorn: the Lord shall have them in derision.
43	Air	Mr. Siebert
	Psalm 2: 9	Thou shalt break them with a rod of iron; thou shalt dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel.
44	Chorus	
	Revelation 19: 6	Hallelujah: for the Lord God omnipotent reigneth.
	Revelation 11: 15	The kingdom of this world is become the kingdom of our Lord, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever.
	Revelation 19: 16	King of Kings, and Lord of Lords.

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

### Part III

Ms. Matthews
I know that my redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the
latter day upon the earth.
And though worms destroy this body, yet in my flesh
shall I see God.
For now is Christ risen from the dead, the first fruits of them that sleep.

46	Chorus	
	I Corinthians 15: 21	since by man came death, by man came also the resurrection of the dead.
	I Corinthians 15: 22	For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive.
47	Accompanied recitati	
	I Corinthians 15: 51	Behold, I tell you a mystery; we shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed,
	I Corinthians 15: 52	In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet:
48	Air	Mr. Wentzel
	I Corinthians 15: 52	the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.
	I Corinthians 15: 53	For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality.
49	Recitative	Mme. Podleś
	I Corinthians 15: 54	then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written,  Death is swallowed up in victory.
50	Duet	Mme. Podleś and Mr. Siebert
	I Corinthians 15: 55 I Corinthians 15: 56	O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory?  The sting of death is sin; and the strength of sin is the law.
51	Chorus	
	I Corinthians 15: 57	But thanks be to God, who giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.
52	Air	Ms. Matthews
	Romans 8: 31	If God be for us, who can be against us?
	Romans 8: 33	Who shall lay anything to the charge of God's elect? It is God that justifieth.
	Romans 8: 34	Who is he that condemneth? It is Christ that died, yea rather, that is risen again, who is at the right hand of God, who maketh intercession for us.
53	Chorus	
	Revelation 5: 12	Worthy is the Lamb that was slain and hath redeemed us to God by his blood to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honour, and glory, and blessing.
	Revelation 5: 13	Blessing, and honour, glory, and power, be unto him that sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb for ever and ever.

Amen.

homas Sheets is an accomplished conductor whose work with community choruses, academic institutions and opera companies has received widespread acclaim.

Mr. Sheets is Music Director of the 160-voice Choral Union, based in Ann Arbor under the aegis of the University Musical Society. Following his appointment to that position in 1993, the Choral Union began performing on a regular basis with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra. In the past six seasons, he has prepared the Choral Union for several notable performances given by the DSO under the direction of Neeme Järvi, Jerzy Semkow and Gennady Rozhhdestvensky. In January 1994, the Choral Union collaborated with Maestro Järvi and the DSO in the choir's first major commercial recording, Tchaikovsky's The Snow Maiden, released by Chandos Records.

Before moving to Ann Arbor, Mr. Sheets was Associate Conductor of two prominent Southern California choruses, the William Hall Chorale and the Master Chorale of Orange County, both conducted by his mentor, the distinguished choral conductor William Hall. During that time, he assisted in preparing all the major choral/orchestral works in the current international repertoire, in some instances for performances led by Robert Shaw, Jorge Mester, Joann Faletta and Michael Tilson Thomas. As chorusmaster in 1988 for Long Beach Opera's highly-celebrated American première of Szymanowski's King Roger, his efforts on behalf of the chorus received accolades from critics on four continents. He was engaged in the same role in 1992 for that company's staging of Simon Boccanegra, where the chorus again received singular plaudits.

In the 1996-97 season, Mr. Sheets collaborated with the University of Michigan's Dance Company, conducting four performances of Orff's *Carmina Burana* in which



Thomas Sheets

dancers joined the established musical forces. During that season he made his debut with the Toledo Symphony in two performances of Bach's *Mass in b minor*, and also conducted performances of Handel's *Messiah* 

with the Ann Arbor Symphony Orchestra and the Perrysburg (OH) Symphony. During the 1997-98 season, Mr. Sheets conducted the Choral Union and the Ann Arbor Symphony Orchestra in performances of *Messiah* and Mendelssohn's *Elijah* in Hill Auditorium. In the 1998-99 season, he conducted a performance of Bach's monumental *St. Matthew Passion* at the historic Fort Street Presbyterian Church of Detroit.

Thomas Sheets is a graduate of Chapman University and CSU Fullerton, and received the degree Doctor of Musical Arts from the University of Southern California. He has held appointments as Director of Choral Activities at several colleges and universities, serving now in that capacity at Oakland Community College in Farmington, Michigan. Dr. Sheets is a frequent conference leader and clinician; his editions of choral music are published by Augsburg-Fortress, and he is a regular contributor of articles on choral music performance.

This weekend's performances mark the seventh year that Thomas Sheets has conducted Messiah under UMS auspices.

merican soprano Tamara Matthews has rapidly risen to the forefront of the international music scene through her outstanding performances on opera and concert stages around the world. A voice described as "worthy of the angels" brought her First Prize at the Musica Sacra Bach Vocal Competition and her acclaimed Carnegie Hall debut in 1994. In recent seasons, she has debuted as soloist with the Cleveland Orchestra (Beethoven's Mass in C and Choral Fantasy), the Philadelphia Orchestra (Poulenc's Gloria), and the Ravinia, Blossom, Marlboro, Accademia per la Musica Antica, Hong Kong and Berkeley music festivals. She has worked with many esteemed conductors including Leonard Slatkin, Joseph Flummerfelt, Luis Biava, Robert Page, Paul Salamunovich, Richard Westenburg, and Joshua Rifkin.

Engagements during the 1999-2000 season include Ms. Matthews' operatic debut in France at the Festival Lyrique-Belle Ile en Mer (Antonia - Les Contes d'Hoffmann), a Kennedy Center debut with the Bach Choir of Bethlehem (Bach's Mass in b minor), an Israeli debut as guest soloist in the opening concert of the Haifa Symphony Orchestra's fiftieth jubilee season (opera arias and Mahler's Symphony No.4), a concert tour of Spain with The Orchestra of New Spain, and a debut with the Houston Symphony Orchestra (Handel's Messiah). Though Tamara Matthews' experience in opera encompasses a wide variety of parts, she continues to be universally acclaimed for her extraordinary portrayals of Baroque, Mozart and R. Strauss leading ladies. Recently, she performed principal roles in two world premières: Scarlatti's L'Aldimiro in San Francisco, and Thomas Whitman's The Black Swan (directed by Sarah Caldwell) in Philadelphia. Other recent operatic debuts include Donna Anna (Don Giovanni) with OperaDelaware, Linfea and Étérnitá in Cavalli's *La Calisto* in Chicago, and the title role in Handel's *Alcina* in New York. With over a dozen recordings to her credit, Ms. Matthews' discography continues to grow in both quantity and diversity. A recent *Fanfare* review stated, "Tamara Matthews' purity of tone and agility puts her ahead of the competition." Her impressive output in works by J.S. Bach includes recordings as soloist in the *Mass in b* 



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Classics) and the St.
John Passion (Pro
Gloria Musicae). She
has also been fea-

tured on recording's of Beethoven's *Symphony No. 9*, Haydn's *Lord Nelson Mass*, Italian solo pieces by Ristori, Fux and Lotti, the solo cantatas of Buxtehude, and music of William Byrd with the New York Consort of Viols (Lyrichord). Upcoming projects include Bach's solo cantatas, the Boccherini *Stabat Mater*, new works with Philadelphia's Orchestra 2001 and rarely heard Spanish Baroque music for Dorian.

Ms. Matthews is currently a member of the faculty of the Westminster Choir College as professor of voice.

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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



Ewa Podleś

Rossini, she is a true original, a "Golden Age" singer for our time. Mme. Podles' 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 conducting 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 1998-99 season included 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, Ann Arbor, 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 Peöek; a concert with Québec's Les Violons du Roy under its Music Director Bernard Labadie; her celebrated Rossini *Arias for Contralto* program 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*.

This weekend's performances of Handel's Messiah mark Mme. Podles' third and fourth appearances under UMS auspices.

merican tenor Glenn Siebert has proven his versatility as a concert and opera singer in a wide variety of repertoire from Baroque to twentiethcentury literature and has been praised for his "fresh tenor voice and vivid stage presence" (St. Louis Globe-Democrat).

Glenn Siebert's operatic credits include Count Almaviva in *Il Barbiere di Siviglia* with the Hamburg Opera; Baron Lummer in *Intermezzo* and Merkur in *Die Liebe der Danae* with the Santa Fe Opera; Ramiro in *La Cenerentola* with both the Washington Opera and the Florentine Opera; Rossini's *Otello* with the Flanders Festival in Belgium; Don Ottavio with both the Opera Theatre of St. Louis and the Minnesota Opera;



Glenn Siebert

Ferrando in *Così fan* tutte with Opera Colorado; Tonio in *La Fille du Régiment* in Oviedo, Spain; and Nemorino in *L'Elisir d'Amore* with the Atlanta Opera.

Mr. Siebert made his New York Philharmonic debut in 1996 in *Carmina* 

Burana, conducted by Kurt Masur. He has also performed the Mozart Requiem and Bach's Magnificat with the Los Angeles Philharmonic and Nicholas McGegan; Schubert's Mass in E-flat with the Boston Symphony and Charles Dutoit; Rossini's Stabat Mater with the Royal Flanders Philharmonic; Handel's Acis and Galatea with the Seattle Symphony; and Haydn's Harmoniemesse with the Baltimore Symphony. He has performed Messiah with the Philadelphia Orchestra, the Houston Symphony, Boston Baroque, the Saint Louis Symphony, the Pittsburgh Symphony, the Minnesota Orchestra, and the Oratorio Society of New York.

Highlights of Mr. Siebert's 1998-99 season included performances of *Messiah* with both the Pacific Symphony and the Virginia Symphony; *The Creation* with the Canton Symphony; the Evangelist in *St. Matthew Passion* with the Charlotte Symphony; and Beethoven's *Symphony No. 9* with Anima Aeterna in the Netherlands, Belgium, and Germany. In the summer of 1999 he sang Rossini's *La gazza ladra* at the Caramoor Festival; in 1999-2000 he will sing *Carmina Burana* with the Pasadena Symphony and Ernesto in *Don Pasquale* with the Greensboro Opera in addition to this performance of *Messiah*.

Glenn Siebert's recordings include Schubert's *Mass in E-flat* with the Atlanta Symphony and Robert Shaw (Telarc); Handel's Acis and Galatea with the Seattle Symphony and Gerard Schwarz (Delos); Berlioz' Lelio with the Milwaukee Symphony (Koss); a CD of Virgil Thomson songs entitled Nothing Divine is Mundane (Albany Records), and the recently released recording on the Arabesque label of Mendelssohn's Paulus with the Royal Scottish National Orchestra.

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n exciting and commanding figure in opera houses and concert halls throughout the world, bass-baritone Andrew Wentzel has garnered praise for his "flexible but powerful voice" which has "vocal reserves to spare and total abandon in his phrasing" (*The Washington Times*). His December 1997 performances of Bloch's *Sacred Service* with the Rochester Philharmonic Orchestra led the Rochester Democrat and Chronicle to exclaim, "Wentzel's performance of the demanding cantor's part was miraculous. His rich, even voice is ideal for the piece."

In the 1998-99 season Andrew Wentzel sang the title role in Mendelssohn's Elijah with the Pittsburgh Symphony and the Mendelssohn Choir of Pittsburgh; the title role in Don Giovanni with Knoxville Opera; Méphistophélès in Faust with the Chattanooga Symphony; the roles of Crespel, Luther, and Schlemil in Les Contes d'Hoffmann with the Florida Grand Opera; and Dvořák's Te Deum with Columbia Pro Cantare. In the 1997-1998 season Mr. Wentzel's engagements included performances of Figaro in Le Nozze di Figaro with the San Diego Opera and the San Antonio Symphony; Mr. Flint in Billy Budd with the Houston Grand Opera; and Olin Blitch in Susannah with both the Opera

Festival of New Jersey and the Chattanooga Symphony and Opera. He also sang Blitch with the Central City Opera in the summer of 1997.

Since his Metropolitan Opera debut in 1985, Mr. Wentzel has sung many roles with the company, in Roméo et Juliette, Billy Budd, I Puritani, Rigoletto, La Fanciulla del West, Turandot, Manon, and Les Contes d'Hoffmann. His other operatic credits include La Bohème with the Washington Opera; Norma with the Minnesota Opera; Collatinus in The Rape of Lucretia with the Opera Theatre of St. Louis; Don Alfonso in Così fan tutte with Glimmerglass Opera; and Don Basilio in Il barbiere di Siviglia and Sparafucile in Rigoletto with the Boston Lyric Opera.

Andrew Wentzel's oratorio credits include Bach's *Mass in b minor* at the Kennedy Center; Berlioz' *L'enfance du Christ* with the Orchestre Symphonique de Montréal; Weill's



Andrew Wentzel

Seven Deadly Sins and the world première of Ned Rorem's Swords and Plowshares with the Boston Symphony Orchestra; Schumann's Szenen aus Goethes Faust with the Bard Festival at Lincoln Center; the title role in Elijah with the

Jerusalem Symphony; and the world première of Shostakovich's *Rayok* with the National Symphony Orchestra, which was recorded by Erato Records. Mr. Wentzel's other recordings include Dvořák's *Te Deum* with the Milwaukee Symphony on Koss, and the role of Godoy in Menotti's *Goya*, recorded live at the Festival dei Due Mondi in Spoleto, Italy, and available on Nuova Era. His performance of Shojo in the world première of Minoru Miki's *Joruri* with the

Opera Theatre of St. Louis is available on Videodisc and VHS.

This weekend's performances of Handel's Messiah mark Andrew Wentzel's debut appearances under UMS auspices.

anice Beck's recital career has taken her from coast to coast in the US, and she is perhaps more widely known in Europe than any other active American organist. Words such as "olympian," "mesmerizing," "consummate," and "impeccable" consistently appear in critical and popular reviews of her performances and recording. Whether at home or abroad, her brilliant performances are routinely met with great audience enthusiasm and standing ovations.

Ianice Beck's extensive recital tours have taken her to France, the United Kingdom, Germany, Poland, the Czech Republic, Slovakia and Hungary. Many of her recital appearances have been at international music festivals, including the Bury Music Festival at Bury St. Edmunds in England and the Kosice International Organ Festival in Slovakia. She has performed in such noted venues as Cathérdrale St. Maurice, Angers, France; Coventry Cathedral, St. David's Hall, Westminster Abbey, Lincoln Cathedral, and Cardiff in Great Britain; the Janacek Conservatory of Music in the Czech Republic; and the Matthias Church, Budapest. In North America, Ms. Beck has performed at the Morman Tabernacle in Salt Lake City, the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, DC, First Congregational Church, Los Angeles, Christ Church Cathedral, Ottawa, and the Duke University Chapel, to name but a few, in addition to performances at national conventions of the American Guild of Organists and the Organ Historical Society.

From very early in her career, Ms. Beck has been sought after to première new organ works. She gave the first performance of Jean Langlais' *American Suite* in recital in Paris.



Janice Beck

Most recently, she gave the world première of Pamela Decker's *Retablo III:* Victimae Paschali in 1997 at the University of Michigan, and in May, 1999 premièred Ms. Decker's *Three Tangos* at the University of Arizona. In 1995 Janice

Beck recorded works of Marcel Dupré on the French label REM Editions. Earlier recordings include the six organ sonatas of Felix Mendelssohn and *Organ Symphony*, *No.* 6 of Louis Vierne on Arkay, and three recordings of American organ music on MHS. Her forthcoming CD of organ works of Pamela Decker, recorded in Hill Auditorium at the University of Michigan, will be issued on Albany. She has been heard on National Public Radio's *Pipedreams* and on the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation.

A native of Virginia, Janice Beck received her early organ training in Williamsburg. Her major organ study was completed at Rollins College with Catherine Crozier and the University of Michigan with Marilyn Mason. A Fulbright scholarship took her to Paris, where she studied with Jean Langlais and Nadia Boulanger. She is the recipient of the Algernon Sydney Sullivan Award, presented by Rollins College, and in 1999 was honored again by Rollins College with an Alumni Achievement in Music Arts Award. In addition to her active recital and recording career, Ms. Beck is the organist of the First United Methodist Church in Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Janice Beck has performed in the annual UMS presentation of Messiah since 1995. This weekend's performances of Handel's Messiah mark Ms. Beck's ninth and tenth appearances under UMS auspices.

dward Parmentier, harpsichordist, has played concerts recently throughout the country of Estonia, for the Kalamazoo Bach Festival, for the University of Michigan Organ Conference, and for the Berkeley Early Music Festival. This fall, he



**Edward Parmentier** 

plays concerts at the Universities of Colorado, Montana and North Carolina. Last summer Mr. Parmentier performed at the Boston Early Music Festival, and will perform at the Berkeley, California, Early Music Festival in 2000. Mr.

Parmentier is Professor of Music (harpsichord, Early Music Ensemble) at the School of Music, University of Michigan.

Mr. Parmentier's new CD, *The Portuguese Fortepiano*, has just been released on Wildboar. Soon to be released will be J.S. Bach's *English Suites*. This past June, Mr. Parmentier recorded "Book I" of J.S. Bach's *Well-tempered Clavier* and will record "Book II" this upcoming February.

In addition to instrumental performance, Mr. Parmentier conducted the Windsor Symphony in November and will teach harpsichord workshops on Bach at the University of Michigan next summer. He will play organ and harpsichord for the upcoming UMS performances of Bach's St. Matthew Passion in April.

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Please refer to UMS Annals, page 25, for biographical information on the UMS Choral Union.

The UMS Choral Union began performing in 1879 and has since presented Handel's Messiah in annual performances. This weekend's performances of Handel's Messiah mark their 375th and 376th appearances under UMS auspices.

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he Ann Arbor Symphony Orchestra (A2SO) has been a part of Ann Arbor's cultural life for much of this century. It was founded in 1928 by Joseph Maddy (founder of Interlochen Music Camp) as a "mom and pop" orchestra of committed and talented amateur musicians. Since 1986, the A<sup>2</sup>SO has been a fully professional orchestra, first under the baton of Carl St. Clair, and for the past seven seasons, under the leadership of Samuel Wong. During this 1999-2000 season, five distinguished finalists who wish to succeed Maestro Wong are each conducting the orchestra. A new Music Director from among these five will be named at the April 2000 Season Finale concert.

During Maestro Wong's tenure, the stature of the orchestra has grown significantly. In recent years, audiences have been treated to thrilling performances of four Mahler symphonies, Bruckner's Symphony No. 8, Prokofiev's Symphony No. 5, Stravinsky's Firebird Suite, the Four Last Songs by Richard Strauss and the "Prelude" and "Liebestod" from Wagner's Tristan und Isolde. New works by Ann Arbor composer Bright Sheng and Music Director finalist Victoria Bond have filled the hall of the historic Michigan Theater. These orchestral powerhouses supplement the A2SO's already strong record with the standard classics from Beethoven, Brahms, Mozart (including a sold-out Requiem last season), Tchaikovsky and others.

Off-stage, the A<sup>2</sup>SO has also grown in stature. In-school educational programs and Youth Concerts reach over 13,000 area

students each year. This year the A<sup>2</sup>SO teams up with humanities specialists from area public schools and the University of Michigan to create a standard-setting youth-concert curriculum. Pre-concert lectures and broadcasts of our concerts on WGTE radio help all our audiences be life-long learners.

This season, six conductors come together to create one special season. Special guest artists, including world-renowned clarinet virtuoso Richard Stoltzman, grace our stage. The excellent musicians of the A<sup>2</sup>SO bring to life a stunning variety of music, including several works in celebration of the centennial of American composer Aaron Copland. The A2SO will perform the world première of a new work composed by Ann Arbor composer Gabriel Ian Gould. The new work, written for the A2SO and the University of Michigan Gamelan Ensemble, will be the State of Michigan's contribution to Continental Harmony, a national musical celebration of the Millennium which has provided for the commission of a new musical work in each of the fifty states.

Social and fund raising events such as *Hearts for the Arts*, and lunches with our Music Director candidates invite you to get to know the A<sup>2</sup>SO family better, and to join us as we enter a new millennium of "Music in the key of A<sup>2</sup> ®."

The Ann Arbor Symphony Orchestra has performed in the annual UMS presentation of Messiah since 1988. This weekend's performances of Handel's Messiah mark the Ann Arbor Symphony Orchestra's thirtieth and thirty-first appearances under UMS auspices.

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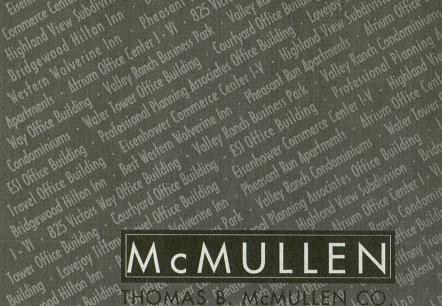


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#### **Program**

Thursday Evening, December 9, 1999 at 8:00 Hill Auditorium, Ann Arbor, Michigan

Claudio Monteverdi

Vespro della Beata Vergine (excerpt)

Lauda, Jerusalem

J.S. Bach

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(Sing unto the Lord a New Song)

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Sing Unto the Lord a New Song

(Sheeru Ladonye Sheer Chadash)

O Lord Open Our Lips Come Let Us Sing Unto the Lord Let our Enemies be as Chaff Sing Unto the Lord a New Song

**Five Spirituals** 

arr. Moses Hogan arr. Moses Hogan arr. Robert L. Morris arr. Wendell Whalum Go Down Moses
Every Time I Feel The Spirit
Children, Go Where I Send Thee
Mary Was The Queen of Galilee
I Can Tell the World

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arr. Moses Hogan

A Gershwin Medley

Rhapsody in Blue
Our Love is Here to Stay
I've Got Rhythm
Lady be Good
It Ain't Necessarily So

#### Edward Kennedy Ellington An Ellington Medley

Mood Indigo Love you Madly Azure Mood

It Don't Mean a Thing (If It Ain't Got that Swing)

#### **Pride and Hope**

arr. Tsepo Mokone Cooper/Twine

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The Gumboot Dance

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#### **Christmas Favorites**

arr. Battle/Byrd

'Twas the Night Before Christmas Poem by Clement Clarke Moore

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The Christmas Song

#### Christmas Praise

Victor Simonson

I Will Give You All The Praise

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### Vespro della Beata Vergine (excerpt)

Lauda, Jerusalem

Claudio Monteverdi Born May 15, 1567 in Cremona, Italy Died November 29, 1643 in Venice

Lauda Jerusalem, Dominum: lauda Deum tuum, Sion. Quoniam confortavit seras portarum tuarum benedixit filiis tuis in te. Qui posuit finestuos pacem: et adipe frumenti satiat te. Qui emittit eloquium suum terrae: velociter currit sermo eius. Oui dat nivem socut lanam: nebulum sicut cinerem spargit. Mittit cristallum suum sicut buccellas: ante faciem frigoris eius quis sustinebit? Emittet verbum suum et liquefaciet ea: flabit spiritus eius, et fluent aquae. Oui annuntiat verbum suum Jacob: justitias et judicia sua Israel. Non fecit taliter omni nationi: et iudicia sua non manifestavit eis. Gloria Patri, et Filio, et Spiritu Sancto. Sicut erat in principio, et nunc et semper, et in saecula saeculorum.

Amen.

Praise the Lord, O Jerusalem:
Praise thy God, O Zion.
For he hath strengthened the bars of the gates: he hath blessed thy children within thee.
He makes peace in thy borders: and fills thee with the finest of the wheat.
He sends forth his commandment upon earth: his word runs very swiftly.
He gives snow like wool: he scatters the hoarfrost like ashes.
He casts forth his ice like morsels: who can stand before his cold?
He sends out his word, and melts them: he causes his wind to blow, and the waters to flow.

He shows his sword unto Jacob:

his statues and his judgements unto Israel. He hath not dealt so with any nation: and as for his judgements, they have not known them.

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.

#### Singet dem Herrn ein Neues Lied

(Sing unto the Lord a New Song)
J.S. Bach
Born March 21, 1685 in Eisenach
Died July 28, 1750 in Leipzig

Imagine the scene. Mozart enters the St. Thomaskirche in Leipzig in April 1789, immediately seeks the librarian and asks if any works of the elder Bach still remain in storage, even though it had been almost thirty years since the old man had died. It was a strange request, as this was well before the resurgence of interest in the music of Bach in the 1830s, and most of his music was still unknown. But Mozart had played and absorbed the keyboard works of Bach in his early youth, and knew that the last works of Bach were written while employed as Cantor of the Thomaskirche. The librarian returned with the eight vocal parts of Singet dem Herrn, each written on separate pages, and gave them to Mozart. No full score was available, sorry. The account is clear of how Mozart dropped to his knees, spread the pages on the floor and spent hours combining them and internalizing the music in ecstatic joy. "Here at last is something from which you can learn." Later Mozart was honored by a special performance of the work and given a score made from those original parts, which still bear the words, in his own hand: "This ought to be scored for

a whole orchestra."

Unlike other Bach motets that were written for funeral services, it is thought that Singet dem Herrn was written either for a New Year celebration, or perhaps for the birthday of the Elector Freidrich August on May 12, 1727. The first section, a setting of Psalm 149 (v. 1-3), is a richly scored prelude followed by an eight-part fugue with entries that cascade in grand style from the highest voice parts to lowest in the first choir then lowest to highest in the second choir, doubled by the first choir. The second part, both majestic and contemplative, is an interwoven aria and chorale, with a single chorale line terminating with one or more lines from the aria. The celebratory third section is cast, like the first as a prelude and fugue, with text for the prelude from Psalm 150 (v. 2 and the fugue Psalm 150, v. 6). Each generation turns to the music of Bach. Each generation feels the need to connect to it, so perfectly expressed by Mozart.

Program note by Jeffrey Johnson.

#### Singet dem Herrn ein Neues Lied

Singet dem Herrn ein neues Lied! Meine der Heilligen sollen ihn loben Israel freuet sich des, der ihn gemachts hat.

Die Kinder Zion sein Frölich über ihrem Könige.

Sie sollen loben seinen Namen im Reigen mit Pauken und Harfen sollen sie ihn spielen.

Sing to the Lord a new song! The congregation of saints shall praise Him. Let Israel rejoice in Him that made Him.

The Children of Sion shall rejoice in their king.

They shall praise His name with dancing and they shall play to Him with drums and harps.

#### Sing Unto The Lord A New Song

Srul Irving Glick Born September 18, 1934 in Toronto

I

O Lord, open our lips that we may sing aloud. our hearts delight in Your praise.

Purge us with hyssop and we shall be clean. wash us until we be whiter than snow.

Let us hear gladness and joy. Adonye s'fatye tifrach ufee yageed t'heelatecha.

#### II

Sing unto the Lord a new song. Let us praise with joy the rock of our salvation. Let us shout for joy unto Him with psalms. Come before His presence with thanksgiving.

L'chu n'ran 'na Lashem, nareea L'tzur yishaynu.

N'Kadma fanav b'toda, bizmeerot nareea lo kee hu Elohaynu, vaanachnu am marceto kee hum Elokaynu, v'zton yado.

For He is our God, and we the people of His pasture, For He is our shepherd, and we the flock of His hand.

#### Ш

Let our enemies be as chaff before the wind.
Let their ways be dark and slippery.
Even in the secret corners the land is heavy with their deceit.
They speak not peace, nor is their quiet in the land.
Let our enemies be ashamed
O Lord, O Lord.

#### IV

Sheeru Ladonye sheer chadash, sheeru sheer Chadash Laadonye kol haaretz Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice,

for great is the Lord and highly to be praised. Sing unto the Lord a new song. Sheeru Ladonye sheer chadash. O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness, in the sweetness of song. O sing unto the Lord. Tremble before Him all the earth. Sing unto the Lord a new song.

#### **Five Spirituals**

The Black Spiritual, referred to as the Negro Spiritual before the 1950s, constitutes one of the largest single bodies of American folk song. The former slave and Black leader, Frederick Douglas (c. 1617-95) wrote of singing spirituals when a slave: "A keen observer might have detected in our repeated singing of 'O Canaan, I am bound for the land of Canaan,' something more than a hope of reaching heaven."

The BCH incorporate the spiritual in its program as a learning tool for students and audiences. Therefore it is important to use modern day arrangements by such new arrangers as Robert Morris and Moses Hogan. With icons such as William Dawson and Wendell Whalem to round out the significance of the body of work known as the spiritual.

#### A Gershwin Medley

George Gershwin Born September 26, 1898 in New York City Died July 11, 1937 in Los Angeles

George Gershwin is considered along with Edward Kennedy "Duke" Ellington to be one of America's most prolific composers. Gershwin, who was born in Brooklyn, New York to a very poor family, has become one of the most well known composers of American music. The music in this medley is just a splash of his many wonderful melodies. Songs for the theater to selections from the opera *Porgy and Bess*, are represented in this program.

# An Ellington Medley Pride and Hope Christmas Favorites

#### **Christmas Praise**

The gospel genre is one that is an extension of the spiritual tradition in the Black community. Forerunners, hymnody, spirituals and jazz, all come together in praise and celebration. John Newton's *Amazing Grace*, recognized all over the world, flows naturally into old-fashioned gospel, a song made famous by Mahalia Jackson, *Come on Children Let's Sing*.

r. Walter J. Turnbull has celebrated thirty years as the leader of the internationally acclaimed Boys Choir of Harlem, Inc. With vision, determination and inspired leadership, he has taken the Boys Choir of Harlem from a small church choir to a world-renowned artistic and educational institution.

He has built an innovative program, which addresses the social, educational, and emotional needs of urban boys and girls and helps them transform their lives through music. The Boys Choir of Harlem, Inc. helps children achieve their creative potential, build self esteem, find positive role models, and develop a strong value system of discipline and hard work in preparation for the future as confident, motivated, productive adults.

A native of Greenville, Mississippi, Dr. Turnbull is an honors graduate of Tougaloo College, where his notable achievements earned him recognition in Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities. He received his Masters in Music and Doctor of Musical Arts degrees from the Manhattan School of Music. He graduated from the Institute for Non-Profit Management at the Columbia University School of Business and has received honorary degrees from California State University, Hofstra, Mannes College of Music, Muhlenberg College, Queens College, Skidmore and Tougaloo, which has named a scholarship in his honor for Boys Choir of Harlem graduates.

A talented performing artist in his own right, Dr. Turnbull made his operatic debut with the Houston Grand Opera in Scott Joplin's *Treemonisha*. He has performed in *Carmen* and *Turandot* with Opera South and created the role of Antonio in the world première of Roger Ames' opera *Amistad*. His other operatic roles include Alfredo in *La Traviata* and Tamino in *Die Zauberflöte*, both with the Lake George Opera. He has



Dr. Walter J. Turnbull

performed in *Carmina Burana* with the Alvin Ailey Dance Theatre and reprised his role in Joplin's *Treemonisha* on Broadway. He has appeared as a tenor soloist with the New York Philharmonic and the Philadelphia Orchestra and has also sung with the Godovsky Opera Theatre and Young Audiences, Inc. In addition to his role as Principal Conductor of the Boys Choir of Harlem, Dr. Turnbull gives recitals at Merkin Hall in New York City, holds master classes for artistic and educational organizations throughout the country, and lectures frequently on education and the arts.

Dr. Turnbull is the recipient of numerous awards and recognitions, most recently the 1998 Heinz Award in the Arts and Humanities. The State of New York and the State of Mississippi have honored him. He has received the William M. Sullivan Award, the Eleanor Roosevelt Community Service Award, the Edwin Berry National Business and Professional Award, the Black Book Publishers Award, the Mayor's Voluntary Action Award, the New Yorker for New York Award and the National Association of Negro Musicians prize. He was awarded the President's Volunteer Action Award, the Intrepid Freedom Award, the Actors Equity Association LeNoire Award, Chase

Manhattan Humanitarian Recognition Award, and the NAACP Man of Action Award. He was named "One of the Fifteen Greatest Men on Earth" by *McCall's Magazine*. In 1997 Dr. Turnbull and the Boys Choir of Harlem were awarded the prestigious National Medal of Arts. In 1998 he received the *Readers Digest* American Heroes in Education Award, and was named one of the New York Black 100 by the Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture.

Dr. Turnbull has been frequently profiled in the media. He has been featured on The Today Show, CBS This Morning, Good Morning, America, Nightline, 20/20, 48 Hours, and 60 Minutes; as well as CNN, UPN News, and the Fox News Network. He has appeared on Amazing Grace with Bill Mores, Great Performances: Ellington and his Music and Pavarotti in Central Park. He is the author of a highly acclaimed book, Lift Every Voice: Expecting the Most and Getting the Best from All of God's Children.

Tonight's performance marks Dr. Walter J. Turnbull's third appearance under UMS auspices.

n the 1998-99 season, the Boys Choir of Harlem celebrated the thirtieth anniversary of its founding by Walter I. Turnbull in 1968. Today the Boys Choir of Harlem (BCH) is internationally recognized for its virtuoso performances and its innovations in the thousandyear-old art of the boy choir. BCH is well known for the breadth of its repertoire, which ranges from staples of the European canon such as Haydn, Bach and Mozart through more modern composers such as Ginastera and Poulenc, to contemporary works from such artists as Bernstein and Hailstork. African-American spirituals, gospel, jazz, pop and hip-hop are choreographed to give the Choir a magnetic stage presence that has won critical and popular acclaim.

The Choir makes three or four national tours each year and averages 100 engagements in twenty-four states annually. Nine European tours have taken the Choir to some of Europe's most prestigious venues, such as London's Cathedral of St. Paul and Royal Albert Hall; Paris' St. Germain-des-Près; and Amsterdam's Concertgebouw. Three Asian tours have included performances in Japan, Hong Kong and Singapore.

In addition to its regular schedule of performances, the Boys Choir of Harlem has helped to celebrate some of the late twentieth century's most significant milestones. The United Nations' Fiftieth Anniversary Concert at Avery Fisher Hall with the New York Philharmonic under the baton of Kurt Masur, the Centennial of the Statue of Liberty, Nelson Mandela's first visit to the US, the Quincentenary of Columbus' arrival, Pope John Paul II's Sunrise Mass in Central Park and the 1993 Presidential Inaugural have all featured appearances by the Choir. Stars from every genre of music have collaborated with BCH live and on video and audio recordings (including Pavarotti in Central Park, taped before a live audience of a half-million and broadcast into more than thirty-million American homes and forty-eight countries worldwide). BCH - Up In Harlem, is the Choir's latest pop album.

The Choir has grown from a twenty-member church choir to an artistic and educational institution. Today the Boys Choir of Harlem, Inc. comprises a boys choir, a girls choir, the Choir Academy of Harlem (BCH, Inc.'s alternative college-preparatory public school), student and family support services, and a Summer Music Institute. The thirty-five to forty boys who appear in the boys' Performing Choir



Boys Choir of Harlem

are selected from the 250-member Concert Choir based on academic performance, attendance, and progress at rehearsals, as well as the vocal quality required for the chosen program. All 500-plus students at the Choir Academy of Harlem take daily classes in music history, theory, voice and an instrument.

Among BCH, Inc.'s recent accomplishments include the 1997 debut of the Girls Choir of Harlem at Alice Tully Hall (which was the following morning's New York Times lead story and featured on CBS' 60 Minutes); a campaign to replicate its program across the country, supported by the Kellogg Foundation and the National Endowment for the Arts; and President Clinton's 1997 bestowal of the National Medal of the Arts upon Dr. Turnbull and the Boys Choir of Harlem.

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Gabriel Fauré

Les roses d'Ispahan Prison Mandoline Clair de lune Le fée aux chansons

III

Robert Schumann

Frauenliebe und -leben, Op. 42

Seit ich ihn gesehen
Er, der Herrlichste von allen
Ich kann's nicht fassen, nicht glauben
Du Ring an meinem Finger
Helft mir, ihr Schwestern
Süßer Freund, du blickest
An meinem Herzen, an meiner Brust
Nun hast du mir den ersten Schmerz getan

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Claude Debussy

Chansons de Bilitis

La flûte de Pan La chevelure Le tombeau des naïades

#### IV

Ned Rorem I Am Rose

Charles Ives Memories, No. 45

A. Very Pleasant B. Rather Sad

Richard Hundley Sweet Suffolk Owl

Leonard Bernstein Greeting, from Arias and Barcarolles

Virgil Thomson St. Catherine of Sienna

Lee Hoiby The Serpent

Traditional The Little Horses arr. Aaron Copland

Thomas Pasatieri Vocal modesty

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If there is a common thread throughout tonight's program, it is that all thirteen composers particularly excel at song-writing. Yes, most of these gentlemen have written in many other genres, but it is in their songs that the secrets of their styles are to be found and most easily appreciated.

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Fauré may not be considered the Father of the French song – Berlioz had already claimed that title – but he certainly deserves our acknowledgement as indisputable master of this genre. Like his German colleague, Robert Schumann, Fauré concentrated on songs and smaller works for piano; this avoidance of the orchestra and the theatre was to be a life-long preoccupation for both composers.

If we consider the ninety years of Fauré's life and imagine what he heard, we can better appreciate his legacy. When he was born, Brahms had not written a note, and the ink was still wet on many a score of Berlioz; in 1924 he had lived long enough to hear the first works of Messaien as well as the new, amazing world of Berg's Wozzeck. But even more striking is how this evolution of music did not affect his own composition. He remained true to his own ideals, occasionally experimenting with the Impressionists' whole-tone scale or Wagner's chromaticism, but only momentarily. Fauré's music is immediately identifiable as much for what it is not, as for the actual notes we hear. He forged a personal language which remained resistant to other trends swirling around him. This is not at all to suggest that he himself was mired in a single system of writing. His extraordinarily long life gave him plenty of room for development and change. Fauré's song-writing can easily be divided into three periods, two of which are represented in this evening's selection. Initially, he inherited the romantic cloak from Gounod and Berlioz; the songs from this first period are more

decorative and laden with sweetness, sentiment and charm. The exotic sensuality of Persia (Les Roses d'Ispahan) and the adorable picture of the song-fairy and her pupils (La fée aux chansons) would only appeal to the Fauré of the 1870s and early 1880s, his first period of composition. Upon discovering the poetry of Verlaine, Fauré entered a more sophisticated and elevated realm of expression, and his musical vocabulary had to expand to accommodate this change. The central three songs in tonight's group are examples of this second period. Mandoline and Clair de lune evoke the elegance and formality of the eighteenth century. Both are aural representations of the visual world of Watteau and Fragonard. Formality and wit combine to offer us a highly poetic atmosphere. Prison is also part of this second Fauré period, but Verlaine's bitter selfloathing has evoked a searing economy of style and gesture from the composer.

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For Schumann, the year 1840 was a turning point both personally and professionally. Often called his "year of song," the flood of vocal masterworks produced between February and September of 1840 more than validates this epithet. Obstacles to his marriage to Clara Wieck were falling away, happiness was within reach, publishers were soliciting new scores daily, and the composer reacted to these joyous tidings with five significant song-cycles as well as innumerable individual expressions of lyricism. The Frauenliebe und -leben cycle of eight songs was composed in only two days' time. Schumann often exercised composer's license in omitting or altering poetry, and of Chamisso's nine poems, only eight were set to music here.

Much has been written of the unsuitability of the cycle's words for modern performances. Many a singer has eschewed

these old-fashioned, unliberated, anti-feminist lyrics in our century. Elizabeth Schwarzkopf first performed them during the last years of her career; Elly Ameling avoided the cycle until her farewell tour. The average twentieth-century woman cannot identify with the self-deprecating, ego-less texts of this French poet. But at the same time, one cannot deny the beauty and warmth of Schumann's music which these words inspired. Many a Schubert or Brahms song also ennobles questionable poetry with immortal music, and any singing actress need only access a nineteenth-century mentality to feel a kinship and empathy with these songs. They are the sincerest expressions of their era, and Schumann has responded with uncomplicated, direct and highly romantic songs which mark the milestones in the life of any woman of that century.

Listen carefully to the first song, marking the heroine's first sight of her beloved. The music proceeds insecurely – temporary "blindness" being its inspiration. An assertive tune forms the basis for song two, as the man's virtues are trumpeted to all who will listen. Breathlessness in song three at being loved in return is quickly followed by the fourth song's serene hymn to the engagement ring. The actual wedding day is captured in the hysterical anxiety of "Helft mir," and we cannot help but notice the piano's postlude to this song: a march in bflat, bearing no resemblance to the song proper. Wagner's Lohengrin was ten years in the future, and yet one hears the germ of its Bridal Chorus clearly in Schumann's song. After five songs in flat keys, the composer shifts to sharps for songs six and seven. "Süßer Freund" is the core of the cycle, and Schumann introduces chromaticism and his own brand of impressionism to paint the intimacy and vulnerability of the situation. The nursery antics of song seven are clearly heard as Schumann waxes sing-song and childish. The young mother's giddiness is

a perfect foil to the last song when sudden tragedy overwhelms the happy family. Only recitative will suffice for the bleak emptiness – melody would be too beautiful, too inappropriate. As our singer withdraws into herself, Schumann's favorite device, the postlude for piano solo, forms the denouement of the story. The cycle's naive opening song is reiterated in entirety – albeit with slight alterations – as the widow silently remembers her joy of long ago.

#### III

Debussy's songs are not as numerous as Fauré's, but then the impressionist was also occupied with symphonic tone-poems and his operatic masterwork, Pelléas et Mélisande. Writing for voice and piano was a habit for Debussy since his teenage years, when he earned his spending money accompanying lessons for the vocal pedagogue most in demand, Mme. Vasnier. His early songs seem mere copies of Massenet's idiom, and Debussy was not consistently careful in his choice of poetry. In 1888, however, all of this was to change as he took up the lyrics of Baudelaire and Verlaine. His immediate response to the perfumed eroticism and symbolism of these giants is clearly evident, and from this point on, Debussy finds his own voice, imitating no one. Ten years later, with the first act of Pelléas finished, he selected these three prose poems of Pierre Louÿs for his triptych-cycle which we hear tonight. The poet had created quite the scandal in the salons of Paris, for originally he claimed to have found these twenty-six ancient Greek lyrics and simply translated the first-person accounts of the young Bilitis into French. Soon it was discovered however, that Louÿs was actually the author of these sensuous feminine sentiments. This shocking revelation did not at all discourage the book's success, (quite the opposite in

fact!), nor did Debussy lack an audience for their musical settings.

Debussy treats the relationship of voice and piano as an equal partnership, and if he strays from this course, it is in the direction of lyricism for the keyboard and one-note declamation for the singer. The antique Greek fantasyland is established immediately in the first song, with modality and specific directions to avoid any strict rhythm. The seductive invitations of the flute are heard alone, and then braided into the singing of the adolescent Bilitis. Debussy has rarely surpassed the breathless subtlety of this initiation into the world of sensuality. (We must remember that Hellenic pantheism had a very different moral code from our own Judeo-Christian society.) In the second song, the lovers are at the summit of their union, and Debussy asks for "passionate and concentrated tone" as Bilitis relates her lover's erotic dream. No declamation is used here, rather a sweeping bel canto melody for both performers, surrounded with ninth, eleventh and thirteenth chords which are, of course, staples in the impressionist kitchen. Love does not last, and the joyous spirits of song give way abruptly to the austere, ice-world of the last song. Relentless walking motion in the piano shows us Bilitis' physical and emotional fatigue. Her lover's voice is low and lacking in melodic shape. As with any short song cycle, much happens between the songs, and it is challenging for the singer to present the whole story of Bilitis' Awakening, Flowering, and Abandonment in such a short time.

#### IV

The last song group of tonight's recital is a partial survey of twentieth-century America's songwriters. Everyone included is both indispensable and irreplaceable in our vocal repertoire. Ms. von Stade has rarely performed

a concert without including songs of her own country, even commissioning works herself on occasion; she has been regarded by American composers as a constant champion of their many diverse voices throughout her career.

Enjoying this bouquet of songs requires no program notes – close your books, open your ears and hear the amazing variety of textures, sounds, and responses to texts which the last hundred years have produced. If you'd like a bit of extra information, here is a quick list of facts to walk you through:

- 1 Ned Rorem's catalogue is ninety percent songs, and he is able to change styles as the poet and the context demand. This is a foursentence bit of Gertrude Stein fluff which requires longer to read about than to experience.
- 2 Charles Ives published his songs at his own expense, being a successful insurance agent. As with Rorem, it is impossible to speak of an "Ives' style." One of his favorite subjects is homespun Americana, as these two songs stitched together would attest.
- 3 New Yorker Richard Hundley is a great friend to America's singers, and writes only songs. While usually very lyrical, he can also select wry and amusing poems like this silly, anonymous sixteenth-century verse.
- 4 "Greeting" is from Bernstein's last work, a song-cycle for four singers and two pianists. This simple utterance, reminiscent of *Mass* (1971), has lyrics by the composer himself and is dedicated to his two children.
- 5 Capturing the inflection of words, finding the perfect rhythm for our speech patterns: these were the life-long preoccupation of Virgil Thomson, composer and critic. While the piano's chords are remarkably simple triads, usually in root position, the singer's declamation requires a complex notation in order to sound natural.

- 6 Rorem and Hundley have also set this delightful Roethke text to music, but it is Lee Hoiby's song, written for Leontyne Price, which has proved to be the most popular. Hoiby is another composer who has written more songs than anything else.
- 7 Copland's *Little Horses* is the only folksong performed tonight. (Ms. von Stade's last UMS appearance featured no less than eighty percent folk music.) In the two volumes of *Old American Songs*, Copland has gathered traditional tunes from all regions and limned them with colorful accompaniments right out of *Appalachian Spring* or *Billy the Kid*. Written for piano or orchestra, these songs have never left the active repertoire since their composition half-a-century ago.
- 8 Thomas Pasatieri has written two cycles and an operatic role specifically for Frederica von Stade. A student of Menotti, Pasatieri has now become a highly successful filmscore composer in Hollywood. This "unimportant" little waltz from his youth features lyrics which could constitute a narcissistic credo. How well those of us associated with singers understand these sentiments!
- 9 The son of a jazz trumpeter, pianist and composer, John Musto appeared in Ann Arbor only last season as part of the New York Festival of Song Gershwin tribute. He often incorporates the blues into his serious music, dedicating many of his songs to his wife, soprano, Amy Burton. This haunting setting of Langston Hughes' words is on its way to becoming an American artsong classic.
- **10** William Bolcom needs no introduction for Ann Arbor audiences he is a part of our own community. His three volumes of *Cabaret Songs* achieve a wonderful blend of classic, jazz, and pop...and not without considerable humor.

Program notes by Martin Katz.

escribed by the New York
Times as "one of America's
finest artists and singers,"
Frederica von Stade is in the
midst of the third decade of
an extraordinary career and continues to
reign as one of the music world's most
beloved figures.

Ms. von Stade's career has taken her to the stages of the world's great opera houses and concert halls. She began at the top, when she received a contract from Sir Rudolf Bing during the Metropolitan Opera Auditions, and since her debut in 1970 she has sung nearly all of her great roles with that company. In January 2000, the company celebrates the thirtieth anniversary of her debut with a new production of The Merry Widow specifically for her, and in 1995, as a celebration of her twenty-fifth anniversary, the Metropolitan Opera created for her a new production of Pelléas et Mélisande, In addition, Ms. von Stade has appeared with every leading American opera company, including San Francisco Opera, Lyric Opera of Chicago and Los Angeles Music Center Opera. Her career in Europe has been no less spectacular, with new productions mounted for her at Teatro alla Scala, Covent Garden, the Vienna State Opera, and the Paris Opera. She is invited regularly by the world's finest conductors, among them Claudio Abbado, Charles Dutoit, James Levine, Kurt Masur, Riccardo Muti, Seiji Ozawa, André Previn, Leonard Slatkin, and Michael Tilson Thomas, to appear in concert with the world's leading orchestras, including the Boston Symphony, Chicago Symphony, Cleveland Orchestra, New York Philharmonic, Philadelphia Orchestra, San Francisco Symphony, London Symphony, Washington's National Symphony and the Orchestra of La Scala.

With impressive versatility, she has effortlessly traversed an ever-broadening spectrum of musical styles and dramatic

characterizations. A noted bel canto specialist, she excelled as the heroines of Rossini's La cenerentola and Il barbiere di Siviglia and Bellini's La sonnambula. She is an unmatched stylist in the French repertoire; a delectable Mignon or Périchole, a regal Marguerite in Berlioz' La damnation de Faust, and, in one critic's words, "the Mélisande of one's dreams." Her elegant figure and keen imagination have made her the world's favorite interpreter of the great trouser roles, from Strauss' Octavian and Composer to Mozart's Sextus, Idamante and Cherubino. Ms. von Stade's artistry has inspired the revival of neglected works such as Massenet's Cherubin, Thomas' Mignon, Rameau's Dardanus, and Monteverdi's Il ritorno d'Ulisse in patria. Her ability as a singing actress has allowed her to portray wonderful works in operetta and musical theater including the title role in The Merry Widow and Desirée Armfeltt in A Little Night Music. Her repertoire is continually expanding with the works of contemporary composers. She created the role of Tina in Dallas Opera's world-première production of Dominick Argento's The Aspern Papers (a work written for her) and the role of Madame de Merteuil in the world première of Conrad Susa's Dangerous Liaisons for San Francisco Opera.

Frederica von Stade's orchestral repertoire is equally broad, embracing works from the Baroque to that of today's composers. She has garnered critical and popular acclaim in her vast French repertoire as one of the world's finest interpreters of Ravel's Shéhérazade, Berlioz' Les nuits d'été, and Canteloube's Les chants d'Auvergne. She is continually in demand for the symphonic works of the great Austrian and German composers including Mozart and Mahler, as well as the new works of American composers.

It was the American composer, Richard Danielpour, who in 1998 helped Frederica



Frederica von Stade

von Stade to realize an artistic and personal dream when he wrote *Elegies*. The work, scored for orchestra, mezzo-soprano and baritone, is a tribute to Ms. von Stade's father,

Charles von Stade, who was killed in the final days of World War II, and is based on the text of letters Mr. von Stade sent to his wife during the war. It is through these letters that Frederica von Stade came to know her father, who died two months before her birth. In January 1998 the Jacksonville Symphony, led by Roger Nierenberg, offered the world première of *Elegies* with performances in Florida and in New York's Carnegie Hall. *Elegies* was recorded by Sony Classical in 1998 and will be performed throughout North America and Europe in coming seasons.

Unparalleled in her artistry as a recitalist, Ms. von Stade combines her expressive vocalism and exceptional musicianship with a rare gift for communication, enriching audiences throughout the world. Here, too, her repertoire encompasses an expansive scope, from the classical style of Mozart and Haydn to the popular songs of Broadway's greatest musicals; from the Italian "Arie antiche" to the songs of contempory composers — who compose especially for her — such as Dominick Argento and Jake Heggie.

She has made over three dozen recordings with every major label, including complete operas, aria albums, symphonic works, solo recital programs, and popular crossover albums. Her recordings have garnered six Grammy nominations, two Grand Prix du

Disc awards, the Deutsche Schallplattenpreis, Italy's Premio della Critica Discografica, and "Best of the Year" citations by *Stereo Review* and *Opera News*. She has enjoyed the distinction of holding simultaneously the first-and second-places on national sales charts for Angel/EMI's *Show Boat* and Telarc's *The Sound of Music*.

Ms. von Stade appears regularly on television, through numerous PBS and other broadcasts, including a gala concert for the San Francisco Symphony which opened the 1998-99 season at New York's Carnegie Hall and a *Live from Lincoln Center* television event which opened the 1999 season of the Mostly Mozart Festival. She can be seen in *Live from the Met* performances as Cherubino, Hänsel and Idamante, and through PBS broadcasts of her celebration of the art of American song with Thomas Hampson, Marilyn Horne, Dawn Upshaw and Jerry Hadley in a program at New



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Frederica von Stade's 1999-2000 season begins with a series of concerts and recitals. She opens the season for the Colorado Symphony before she joins Chanticleer, a thirteen voice a capella male vocal ensemble, in a tour of unique programs featuring Ms. von Stade as soloist with the ensemble. In addition to her appearance in the title role in The Merry Widow, Ms. von Stade opens the season for Dallas Opera as Sesto in La clemenza di Tito. Soon after, she tours the US in recital, culminating in two appearances in New York City – at Alice Tully Hall in a celebration of the music of Jake Heggie, and at Carnegie Hall in a program of American music with Samuel Ramey. Ms. von Stade and Mr. Ramey join again to tour in concert together with performances at the Ravinia Festival, the Hollywood Bowl and the Brevard Festival. In concert, Frederica von Stade appears with the London Philharmonia, under the direction of Leonard Slatkin, as well as the Milwaukee Symphony and the Louisville Orchestra.

Frederica von Stade is the holder of honorary doctorates from Yale University, Boston University, the Georgetown University School of Medicine, and her *alma mater*, the Mannes School of Music. In 1998, Ms. von Stade was awarded France's highest honor in the Arts, when

she was appointed as an officer of *L'Ordre des Arts et des Lettres*, and in 1983 she was honored with an award given at The White House by former President Ronald Reagan in recognition of her significant contribution to the arts.

This evening's recital marks Frederica von Stade's second appearance under UMS auspices.

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artin Katz must surely be considered the dean of collaborative pianists," said the *Los Angeles Times* after a concert this season.

One of the world's busiest collaborators, he finds himself in constant demand by many of the most celebrated vocal soloists in recital. His partnership with Frederica von Stade is now twenty-six years old. In addition, he has appeared regularly with Marilyn Horne, Kiri Te Kanawa, Kathleen Battle, Cecilia Bartoli, Sylvia McNair, and José Carreras in both concerts and recordings.



Martin Katz

Season after season, the world's musical capitals figure prominently in his schedule. His many appearances at New York's Carnegie Hall, Washington's Kennedy Center, Milan's La Scala, Vienna's

Musikverein and Buenos Aires' Teatro Colon have been lauded by audiences and critics alike. He has more than a dozen recordings to his credit for the BMG, CBS, Sony, Decca, Phillips, RCA, and FonitCetra labels.

Martin Katz is a native of California, where he began piano studies at the age of

five. He attended the University of Southern California as a scholarship student and studied the specialized field of accompanying with its pioneer teacher, Gwendolyn Koldofsky. While yet a student, he was given the unique opportunity of accompanying the master classes of such luminaries as Lotte Lehmann, Jascha Heifetz, Pierre Bernac and Gregor Piatigorsky. Following his formal education, he held the position of pianist for the US Army Chorus in Washington, DC, before moving to New York and beginning his international career in earnest.

In recent years, invitations to conduct orchestral evenings have come with increasing frequency. Mr. Katz has partnered several of his soloists on the podium for the orchestras of B.B.C., Houston, Washington, DC, Tokyo, New Haven and Miami. His appearances in the opera house have included *Don Pasquale, Don Giovanni, Hansel and Gretel* and *Dialogues des Carmélites* in recent years. His editions of works by Handel and Rossini have been presented by the Metropolitan, Houston Grand Opera and the National Arts Centre in Ottawa.

The professional profile of Martin Katz is completed with his commitment to teaching. For many years, he has been Professor in charge of accompanying and chamber music at the University of Michigan, and has played a pivotal role in the training of countless young artists who are now working all over the world. The University of Michigan School of Music recently named him the Arthur Schnabel Professor of Music. He is also a frequent guest for master classes here and abroad, regularly visiting institutions such as the Manhattan School of Music, The Juilliard School, Tanglewood Music Center, UCLA and the Santa Fe Opera.

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The blessed Creator of all things assumed the lowly body of a boy so that he might gain flesh through flesh and his creation not be destroyed.

The divine grace of great heaven was enshrined in the chaste mother: a virgin bore a secret pledge unknown to Nature.

The heavenly choir rejoices therat and the angels sing praise of God; the poor shepherds are informed of the Shepherd and Creator of all the world.

Praise, glory and thanks be given to thee, Christ, born of a spotless maid, and to the Father and the Holy Ghost now and for evermore.

#### Introitus

Puer natus in Bethlehem Unde gaudet Hierusalem Alleluia.

Singet, jubiliret, triumphiret Unserm Herren dem König der Ehren.

Reges de Saba veniunt, Aurum, thus, myrrham offerunt. Alleluia. Singet, *etc* 

Hic jacet in praesepio Qui regnat sine termino. Alleluia. Singet, *etc* 

Mein Herzenskindlein, Mein liebstes Freundlein, O Jesu.

Ein Kind geborn zu Bethlehem, Des freuet sich Jerusalem, Alleluja.

Die Köng aus Saba kamen dar, Gold, Weihrauch, Myrrhen brachtn sie dar, Alleluja

Hie leit es in dem Krippelein, Ohn Ende ist die Herrschaft sein, Alleluja.

In hoc natali gaudio Benedicamus Domino. Alleluia. Singet, *etc* 

Laudetur sancta Trinitas, Deo dicamus gratias, Alleluia. Singet, *etc* 

#### Introit

A boy is born in Bethlehem, whence Jerusalem rejoices, Alleluia.

Sing, rejoice, triumph, all honour to our Lord, the king.

The kings came there from Sheba, bringing gold, incense and myrrh, Alleluia.
Sing, rejoice, *etc* 

Here lies in the little crib he whose reign is without end. Alleluia. Sing, rejoice, *etc* 

Child of my heart, my dearest little friend, O Jesu.

A child is born in Bethlehem, whence Jerusalem rejoices, Alleluia.

The kings came there from Sheba, bringing gold, incense and myrrh, Alleluia

Here lies in the little crib he whose reign is without end. Alleluia.

For this time of such grace God be praised in all eternity. Alleluia. Sing, rejoice, *etc* 

Praise be to the holy Trinity, now and for evermore, Alleluia.
Sing, rejoice, *etc* 

Mein Herzenskindlein, Mein liebstes Freundlein, O Jesu.

Für solche gnadenreiche Zeit, Sei Gott gelobt in Ewigkeit, Alleluja.

Lob sei der heilgen Dreifaltgkeit. Nun und in alle Ewigkeit, Alleluja.

#### **Kyrie**

Kyrie eleison. Herr erbarme dich.

Christe eleison. Christe erbarme dich.

Kyrie eleison. Herr erbarm dich über uns.

#### Gloria

Ehre sei Gott in der Höhe und auf Erden Fried den Menschen ein Wohlgefallen. Wir loben dich, wir beten dich an, wir preisen dich, wir sagen dir Dank um deiner großen Ehre willen. Herr Gott, himmlischer König, Gott, allmächtiger Vater. Herr, Allerhöchster, Herr Gott, Lamm Gottes, ein Sohn des Vaters, der du hinnimmst die Sünde der Welt, erbarme dich unser. Der du hinnimmst die Sünde der Welt, nimm an unser Gebet. Der du sitzest zu der Rechten des Vaters, erbarme dich unser. Denn du bist allein heilig, du bist allein der Herr, du bist allein der Höchste, Jesu Christe, samt dem heiligen Geist in der Herrlichkeit Gott des Vaters.

Amen.

Child of my heart, my dearest little friend, O Jesu.

For this time of such grace God be praised in all eternity, Alleluia.

Praise be to the holy Trinity, now and for evermore, Alleluia.

#### **Kyrie**

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy. Lord have mercy on us.

#### Gloria

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to men of goodwill. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we adore Thee, we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee for Thy great glory. O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father almighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, the most high, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, who takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou who takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou who sittest at the right hand of the Father, have mercy upon us. For Thou only art holy, Thou only, Jesus Christ, are most high, with the Holy Ghost in the glory of God the Father.

Amen.

#### Tagesgebet

V: Der Herr sei mit euch.

R: Und mit deinem Geiste.

V: Laßt uns beten. Hilf, lieber Herr Gott, daß wir der neuen lieblichen Geburt teilhaftig werden und bleiben und von uns'rer alten sündlichen Geburt erledigt werden durch denselbigen deinen Sohn Jesum Christum, unsern Herren.

R: Amen.

#### Präambulum

Orgelvorspiel

#### Graduallied

Vom Himmel hoch da komm ich her, Ich bring euch gute neue Mär, Der guten Mär bring ich so viel, Davon ich singn und sagen will.

Euch ist ein Kindlein heut geborn, Von einer Jungfrau auserkorn, Ein Kindelein so zart und fein, Das soll eur Freud und Wonne sein.

Es ist der Herr Christ, unser Gott, Der will euch führn aus aller Not, Er will eur Heiland selber sein, Von allen Sünden machen rein.

Er bringt euch alle Seligkeit, Die Gott, der Vater hat bereit't, Daß ihr mit uns im Himmelreich, Sollt leben nun und ewiglich.

So merket nun das Zeichen recht, Die Krippen, Windelein so schlecht, Da findet ihr das Kind gelegt, Das alle Welt erhält und trägt.

#### Collect

V: The Lord be with you

R: And with thy spirit.

V: Let us pray. Help us, dear Lord God, to be blessed by the lovely new birth and so remain, and to be removed from our old sinful birth, through thy son Jesus Christ, our Lord

R: Amen.

#### Praeambulum

Organ prelude

#### Gradual hymn

From heaven on high I come hither, bringing you good news; so much good news do I bring that of it I will sing and speak.

Today a little child is born to you by a chosen virgin, a child so tender and fine who shall be your joy and delight.

He is the Lord Christ, our God, who will lead you out of all distress: he will be your Saviour himself, cleansing you from all sin.

He brings to you all the bliss that God the Father has prepared, so that you shall live with us in the kingdom of heaven now and for evermore.

So mark now the sign aright, the crib, the wretched swaddling clothes, there you will find the child lying who will preserve and sustain the whole world. Des laßt uns alle fröhlich sein, Und mit den Hirten gehn hinein, Zu sehn, was Gott uns hat beschert, Mit seinem liebsten Sohn verehrt.

Ach, mein herzliebes Jesulein, Mach dir ein rein sanft' Bettelein, Zu ruh'n in meines Herzensschrein, Daß ich nimmer vergesse dein.

Davon ich all' Zeit frölich sei, Zu springen, singen immer frei Das rechte Susaninne schon, Mit Herzen Lust den süßen Ton. Lob, Ehr sei Gott im höchsten Thron,

Der uns schenkt seinen eingen Sohn, Des freuet sich der Engel Schar, Und singen uns solch neues Jahr.

#### Credo

Wir glauben all an einen Gott, Schöpfer Himmels und der Erden, Der sich zum Vater geben hat, Daß wir seine Kinder werden. Er will uns allzeit ernähren, Leib und Seel auch wohl bewahren, Allem Unfall will er wehren, Kein Leid soll uns widerfahren. Er sorget für uns, hüt und wacht, Es steht alles in seiner Macht.

Wir glauben auch an Jesum Christ, Seinen Sohn und unsern Herren, Der ewig bei dem Vater ist, Gleicher Gott von Macht und Ehren. Von Maria, der Jungfrauen, Ist ein wahrer Mensch geboren Durch den Heilgen Geist im Glauben, Für uns, die wir warn verloren, Am Kreuz gestorben und vom Tod Wieder auferstanden durch Gott. Then let us all be joyful and go in with the shepherds to see what God has granted us, presented us with his dearest son.

Ah, my dear little Jesus, make yourself a clean soft cot to rest in my heart's shrine, that I may never forget you.

Thereby let me be joyful at all times, ever free to leap and sing the sweet notes of apt lullabies with heartfelt joy.

Praise and glory be to God on his highest throne who bestows on us his only son, at which the host of angels rejoices and sings to us such a new year.

#### Credo

We all believe in one God,
Creator of heaven and earth,
who has acted as a father,
that we might be his children.
He will always support us,
also well guard body and soul,
he will shield us from all mishap,
no harm shall befall us.
He cares for us, guards and protects us;
everything is within his power.

We also believe in Jesus Christ, his Son and our Lord, who is forever beside the Father, likewise God of might and glory. From Mary, the Virgin, a real man is born through the Holy Ghost in faith; for us, who were lost he died on the Cross, and through God rose again from the death.

Wir glauben an den Heilgen Geist, Gott mit Vater und dem Sohne, Der aller Blöden Tröster heißt Und mit Gaben zieret schöne. Die ganz Christenheit auf Erden Hält in einem Sinn gar eben, Hie all Sünd vergeben werden, Das Fleisch soll auch wiederleben. Nach diesem Elend is bereit' Uns ein Leben in Ewigkeit.

Amen.

Resonet in laudibus Orgelvorspiel

#### Kanzellied

Quem pastores laudavere, Quibus Angeli dixere: Absit vobis iam timere, Natus est Rex gloriae.

Den die Hirten lobeten sehre,
Und die Engel noch viel mehre,
Fürcht euch fürbaß nimmermehre,
Euch ist gborn ein König der Ehrn.
Heut sind die lieben Engelein
Im hellen Schein
Erschienen bei der Nachte.
Den Hirten so ihr Schäfelein
Beim Mondenschein in weitem Feld
bewachten.

Große Freud und gute Mär Wolln wir euch offenbaren, Die euch und aller Welt soll widerfahren. Gottes Sohn ist Mensch-geborn, Hat versöhnt des Vaters Zorn.

Ad quem Magi ambulant, Aurum, thus, myrrham portabant, Immolabant haec sincere Leoni victoriae. We believe in the Holy Ghost,
God with the Father and the Son,
who is called comforter of all the foolish
and adorns them with beauteous gifts.
He holds all Christendom on earth
quite evenly in one spirit;
here all sins are forgiven,
flesh shall also live again.
After this misery, a life
is prepared for us in eternity.

Amen.

Resonet in laudibus
Organ prelude

#### Pulpit hymn

He whom the shepherds greatly praised and the angels still more cried: Henceforth fear no more! To you is born the king of glory.

He whom the shepherds greatly praised and the angels still more cried: "Henceforth fear no more!
To you is born the king of glory.
Today the dear angels have appeared in a bright light in the night.
Shepherds watching your flocks by moonlight in the broad field,

we wish to reveal to you great joy and good tidings which shall befall you and all the world. The Son of God is born of man and has appeased his Father's wrath."

To whom the wise men came, bringing with them gold, incense and myrrh: they offered these things sincerely to the lion of victory. Zu dem die Weisen kamen geritten Gold, Weihrauch, Myrrhen brachten sie mitte,

Sie fielen nieder auf ihr Knie.
Gelobt seist du Herr allhie.
Ein Sohn die Göttlich Majestät
Euch geben hat
Und einen Mensch la'n werden,
Ein Jungfrau ihn geboren hat
in Davids Stadt,
Da ihr ihn finden werdet.
Liegend in eim Krippelein,
Nackend, bloß und elende,
Daß er euer Elend von sich soll wenden.

Gottes Sohn ist Mensch-geborn, Hat versöhnt des Vaters Zorn.

Christo Regi Deo nato, Per Mariam nobis dato, Merito resonat vere Laus, honor et gloria.

Lobet alle Menschen gleiche
Gottes Sohn vom Himmelreiche,
Uns zu Trost ist er geboren.
Lob und Preis sei Gott dem Herrn.
Die Hirten sprachen nun wohlan,
So laßt uns gahn
Und diese Ding erfahren,
Die uns der Herr hat kundgetan,
Er wird indes
Unser Vieh wohl bewahren.
Da findn sie das Kindelein
In Tüchelein gehüllet,
Daß alle Welt mit seiner Gnad er füllet

Gottes Sohn ist Mensch-geborn Hat versöhnt des Vaters Zorn.

Padouana à 5 Johann Schein Sonate To whom the wise men came riding, bringing with them gold, incense and myrrh,

they fell down on their knees.
Praise be to thee here, Lord!
Divine majesty has given you
a Son who will become
a man.
A virgin bore him
in the city of David,
where you will find him
lying in a manger
naked, bare and wretched,
so that he may take your misery upon
himself.

The Son of God is born of man and has appeased his Father's wrath.

To Christ, born a king and god, granted us through Mary, let praise, honour and glory truly and deservedly resound.

Let all men alike praise
God's Son from the realm of heaven,
who is born to bring us solace.
Praise and glory be to God the Lord.
The shepherds now spoke up:
"Then let us go
and see this thing
of which the Lord has told us.
He will meanwhile
guard our cattle well."
There they will find the babe
wrapped in a small cloth,
that all the world might be filled with
his grace.

The Son of God is born of man and has appeased his father's wrath.

Padouana à 5 Johann Schein Sonata

#### Sanctus

Jesaja dem Propheten das geschah,
Daß er im Geist den Herren sitzen sah
Auf einem hohen Thron im hellen Glanz,
Seines Kleides Saum den Chor füllet ganz.
Es stunden zwen Seraph bei ihm daran,
Sechs Flügel sah er einen jeden han.
Mit zwen verborgen sie ihr Antlitz klar,
Mit zwen bedeckten sie die Füße gar,
Und mit den andern zwen sie flogen frei,
Gegnander ruften sie mit großem Geschrei:
Heilig ist Gott der Herre Zebaoth,
Sein Ehr die ganze Welt erfüllet hat.
Von dem Geschrei zittert Schwell und
Balken gar,

Das Haus auch ganz voll Rauchs und Nebels war.

Wie schön leuchtet der Morgenstern Samuel Scheidt Orgelvorspiel

#### Zum Abendmahl

Wie schön leuchtet der Morgenstern Voll Gnad und Wahrheit von dem Herrn, Du süße Wurzel Jesse. Du Sohn Davids aus Jakobs Stamm, Mein König und mein Bräutigam, Hast mir mein Herz besessen; Lieblich, freundlich, schön und herrlich, Groß und ehrlich, Reich an Gaben, Hoch und sehr prächtig erhaben.

Uns ist ein Kindlein heut geborn, Von einer Jungfraun auserkorn, Ein wahrer Mensch und wahrer Gott, Daß er uns helf aus aller Not, Sein Nam ist Wunderbar und Rat, Durch ihn haben wir funden Gnad.

#### Sanctus motet

It befell to Isaiah the prophet that in spirit he saw the Lord sitting on a lofty throne in brilliant splendour, the hem of his robe quite filling the choir. Two seraphs stood beside him; He saw that each had six wings. With two they hid their bright faces with two they quite covered their feet, and with the other two they flew free, calling to each other with great cries, "Holy is God the Lord of Sabaoth, his glory has filled the whole world". Threshold and rafters shake with the cry,

the house was also full of smoke and haze.

How brightly shines the morning star Samuel Scheidt Organ prelude

#### Communion motet

How brightly shines the morning star full of grace and truth before the Lord, the sweet root of Jesse!
Son of David from Jacob's stock, my king and my bridegroom, thou hast taken possession of my heart sweetly, kindly, beautiful and mighty, great and upright, rich in gifts, high and exalted in great splendour.

To us this day a babe is born of a chosen Virgin, a true man and true God, to help us out of all distress. His name is Wonderful and Counsellor: through him we have found grace.

Was hätt uns Gott mehr können tun, Denn daß er uns schenkt seinen Sohn, Der von uns weggenommen hat, All unser Sünd und Missetat, Erlöst uns von der Sünd und Pein, Darein wir sollten ewig sein.

Freu dich du werte Christenheit, Und dank es Gott in Ewigkeit, Hass aber alle Sünd und List, Davon du teur erlöset bist, Sei fortan gottfürchtig und rein, Zu Ehrn dem neugbornen Kindelein. What more could God have done for us than send us his Son, who from us has taken away all our sins and misdeeds, rescued us from the sin and pain in which we should have remained forever.

Rejoice, O worthy Christendom, and thank God into all eternity; but hate all sin and guile, from which you have been dearly saved. Henceforth be God-fearing and pure to honour the newborn babe.

#### Blessing

#### Post-Communion

V: Der Herr sei mit euch. R: Und mit deinem Geiste.

V: Laßt uns beten. Wir danken dir, allmächtiger Gott, daß du uns durch diese heilsame Gabe hast erquicket, und bitten deine Barmherzigkeit, daß du uns solches gedeihen lassest zu starken Glauben gegen dich und zu brünstiger Liebe unter uns allen um Jesu Christi, unsers Herren willen.

R: Amen.

#### Segen

V: Der Herr segne dich und behüte dich. Der Herr erleuchte sein Angesicht über dir und sei dir gnädig. Der Herr hebe sein Angesicht auf dich und gebe dir Frieden.

R: Amen

#### Post-Communion

V: The Lord be with you.

R: And with your spirit.

V: Let us pray. We thank thee, Almighty God, for having invigorated us with this healing gift, and plead for thy compassion to leave us such progress towards firm faith in thee and heartfelt love along us all, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

R: Amen.

#### Benediction

V: The Lord bless you and keep you. May the Lord shine his countenance upon you and be merciful unto you. May the Lord turn his face to you and give you peace.

R: Amen.

#### Schlußlied

Puer nobis nascitur, Rector angelorum, In hoc mundo pascitur Dominus Dominorum.

Uns ist gborn ein Kindelein, Von einer Jungfraun reine, Marie ist die Mutter sein, Sein Vater Gott alleine.

In praesepe ponitur, Faeno juvencorum, Cognoverunt Dominum, Christum regem coelorum.

In ein Kripp ward er gelegt, Der all Ding regieret, Das Ochslein und Eselein Erkannten Gott den Herren.

Hinc Herodes timuit Magno cum tremore, Infantes et pueros Occidit cum dolore.

Kön'g Herodes das verdroß, Viel Kindlein ließ er töten, Er wüt't und tobt ohn all Maß, Des ist er nun in Nöten. Qui natus ex Maria Die hodierna Perducat nos cum gratia Ad gaudia superna.

Der von Maria ward geborn, An diesm heutgen Tage, Der wolle sein liebs Himmelreich Uns nimmermehr versagen.

Nos de tali gaudio Cantemus in choro, In chordis et organo Benedicamus Domino.

#### **Final Hymn**

To us is born a child, guardian of the angels, in this world lives the Lord of Lords.

To us is born a child of a spotless virgin; Mary is his mother, his father God alone.

In a manger was he laid, in the hay of oxen: they recognized the Lord, Christ the king of heaven.

In a manger was he laid, he who reigns over all things; the ox and ass recognised God the Lord.

This made King Herod afraid, with great trembling he killed in his wrath many babes and children.

This galled King Herod,
who had many children killed;
he raged and raved beyond all measure
for he was now in a plight.
He who was born of Mary
on this very day
would never deny us
his dear heavenly realm.

He who was born of Mary on this very day would lead us by his grace to heavenly joy.

Of such joy let us sing together, with strings and organ let us praise the Lord. Drum seid fröhlich allermeist, Lobsingt und jubilieret, Gott Vatr, Sohn und heilgen Geist, Dem sei Preis, Dank und Ehre.

#### Nun lob mein Seel Orgen

#### Zum Auszug

In dulci jubilo
Nun singet und seid froh:
Unsers Herzens Wonne
Leit in praesepio
Und leuchtet als die Sonne
Matris in gremio
Alpha es et O.

O Jesu parvule, Nach dir ist mir so weh; Tröst mir mein Gemüte, O puer optime; Durch alle deine Güte, O princeps gloriae, Trahe me post te.

O Patris caritas,
O nati lenitas,
Wir wären all verloren
Per nostra crimina,
So hat er uns erworben
Coelorum gaudia.
Eya wären wir da!

Ubi sunt gaudia,
Nirgends mehr denn da.
Da die Engel singen
Nova cantica
Und die Schellen klingen
In regis curia.
Eya wärn wir da!

Therfore be exceeding joyful, sing praises and exult to God the Father, Son and Holy Ghost, to whom be praise, thanks and glory.

#### Nun lob mein Seel Organ voluntary

#### Recessional

In sweet jubilation now sing and rejoice our heart's delight lies in a manger and shine like the sun in his mother's bosom You are the first and last.

O little Jesus, I so long for you; comfort my soul, O best boy; by all your good, O prince of glory, draw me after you.

O love of the Father, O mildness of the Son! We were all lost through our sins until you gained for us the joys of heaven: O that we were there!

Where are joys?
Nowhere more than there.
There the angels sing
new songs
and the bells ring
in the court of the king:
O that we were there!



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Michael Praetorius

A Lutheran Christmas Celebration (c. 1620)

Processional

Christum wir sollen loben schon

Introit

Puer natus in Bethlehem

Kyrie

Missa gantz Teudsch

Gloria

Missa gantz Teudsch

Collect

Chant

Organ prelude

Praeambulum

Gradual hymn

Vom Himmel hoch da komm ich her

Credo

Wir glauben all an einen Gott

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Communion motet

Wie schön leuchtet der Morgenstern

Blessing

Chant

Final hymn

Puer nobis nascitur

Organ voluntary

Nun lob mein Seel

Recessional

In dulci jubilo

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#### Christmas Mass

Michael Praetorius Born February 15, 1571 in Kreuzberg an der Werra, Thuringia Died February 15, 1621 in Wolfenbüttel

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ichael Praetorius was the most influential, multifaceted and prolific German composer of his generation. Over some

fifteen years in the early seventeenth century he produced an enormous amount of sacred music which soon became the basic repertoire for Lutheran churches in northern Germany. Almost as astonishing as the quantity of his output is its variety of forms, which range in truly encyclopedic fashion from the simplest of congregational hymns to massive polychoral motets.

Born into a strict Lutheran family, Praetorius studied at Frankfurt an der Oder and settled in Wolfenbüttel around 1592. By 1595 he had entered the service of Duke Heinrich Julius of Brunswick Wolfenbüttel as organist. In 1604 he was appointed court Kapellmeister, a position he held until shortly before his death. He spent two years in Dresden between 1613 and 1615, where he met Schütz and was introduced to many of the latest Italian musical developments which were to influence his later works. Renowned as an organist, Praetorius also designed organs and wrote the most important musical treatise of the early Baroque, his monumental Syntagma musicum.

This evening's concert presents a selection of Praetorius's music as it might have been heard at a Lutheran mass for Christmas morning, celebrated at one of the major churches in central Germany around 1620. Although it generally follows the structure of the Roman mass, the Lutheran mass is more flexible, allowing for more congregational participation.

As in the Roman rite, the mass begins

with an Introit, the Kyrie and the Gloria, after which the Collect (the prayer of the feast) is intoned by the celebrant. The Epistle would then be sung in German; the Gradual hymn would precede the Gospel for Christmas Day, which was then followed by the Credo. The preacher then mounted the pulpit to deliver the sermon (usually an hour long), which was followed by the Confession and Absolution – in effect dividing the service into two parts.

Those intending to receive Communion would move up to the chancel area of the church. On major feasts the Preface was intoned in Latin, beginning with the ancient dialogue *Sursam corda*, and leading to the Sanctus, again in Latin. However, the Sanctus was often transferred to a position at the beginning of the Communion, especially when most of the mass was sung in German. The celebrant, facing the altar, would intone the Lord's Prayer and the Words of Institution. Communion was celebrated and was followed by the Postcommunion prayer and the Benediction.

Central to any Lutheran service was the congregational chorale, which was featured at several climactic points in the mass. Especially important was the *Graduallied* between the Epistle and Gradual, and the *Kanzellied*, sung as the preacher mounts the pulpit. Traditionally these chorales were sung unaccompanied, but in the early years of the seventeenth century, organ accompaniment became more widespread.

Praetorius's music stems from a tradition of congregational involvement which is at the core of Lutheranism. Although his output includes some of the most elaborate sacred repertoire of the time, most of it is skillfully written to allow for the inclusion of the various musical groups that took part in music within the church: town waits, school children, the Collegium Musicum of amateur musicians, and the professional Kantorei. Praetorius frequently encourages

the most imaginative approach for musical and liturgical effect furnishing a wealth of information in the prefaces of his publications, in elaborate remarks printed above the scores, and also the third volume of his treatise *Syntagma musicum*. To consider performing his music in terms of an *Urtext* is to miss the point: it demands much creative input from interpreters, not only as regards the usual questions of instrumental and vocal scoring in seventeenth-century music, but also in the form and structure of the works themselves, which are open to considerable variations.

Traditionally, chorales were often sung alternatim, verse by verse (or line by line) between congregational (choraliter) and vocal/instrumental choirs (figuraliter), sometimes in different languages. In his prefaces, Praetorius suggests many possible modifications of this Wechselgesang (exchange-song) scheme, especially when using polychoral versions for several choirs. The underlying intention, however, is always to create the greatest possible variety of color and musical experience. The music may look vast on the page, but a dozen or so flexible layers (four-part consorts of reeds/wind, cornets/sackbuts and violins or viols) are more than enough for performance; the inclusion of a large continuo section of several organs, regals and plucked instruments is, however, a great advantage. The core of the ensemble, Praetorius's cappella fidicinia, comprises strings, plucked instruments and keyboard instruments. In addition, Praetorius offers advice regarding the displacement of the musicians, who were frequently positioned around the church, especially in galleries. This basic polychorality allows the music to envelop the congregation in the act of worship.

Instrumental ensemble music seems to have had only a modest role in Lutheran services: here a solemn *pavan* by Johann Schein introduces the second half of the

service as the communicants move towards the altar. The organ had a vital role, however, especially in the "preluding" of the chorales, but very few examples survive of what was essentially an improvised tradition. Although dating from as late as 1650, the famous Lüneburg organ tablature from which two preludes are taken seems to be a retrospective collection of typical, functional and mainly anonymous pieces. Each has been treated quite freely, as a starting-point for further improvisation. The variations on Nun lob mein Seel are one of only eight extant organ works by Praetorius. It is not a Christmas chorale but was often sung as a thanksgiving chorale at Eucharistic services. With its flamboyant cascades of figuration over an ostinato phrase, it gives a tantalizing glimpse of Praetorius the virtuoso performer.

The Kyrie and Gloria, drawn from Praetorius's most spectacular collection, the *Polyhymnia caduceatrix et panegyrica* of 1619, are subtitled *Missa gantz Teudsch* (Mass, completely in German). The style of the Kyrie, with its echo effects and constant jollity, says much about the Lutheran approach to worship. The Gloria is scored for six choirs: eight soloists in two choirs, a choir of three *obbligato* instruments and three optional supplementary groups (two vocal, one instrumental). It is conceived on the broadest scale, with constantly changing sonorities and virtuoso Italianate writing for voices and violins.

The text of the Credo is the expanded metrical German version by Luther (*Wir glauben all an einen Gott*). The outer verses are sung *choraliter* and unaccompanied, their supple flowing melody a testament to Luther's musical skills of adaptation: the original melody is an early fifteenth-century folk-hymn. The central verse is sung *figuraliter*, accompanied by organ with Samuel Scheidt's expressive harmony.

The Sanctus is also sung in German, to Luther's magnificent paraphrase in rhymed

couplets, Jesaja dem Propheten, in a setting for five choirs (flutes, trombones, strings, lutes and voices). For all its harmonic simplicity, the angels' paen and the apocalyptic vision of the trembling earth are vividly depicted.

All the remaining vocal music is more directly related to the congregational song or chorale. One of the loveliest of all Christmas hymns, *Christum wir wollen loben schon*, is Luther's translation of *A solis ortu cardine*, sung at Lauds on Christmas day. The subtle harmony of alternate verses is taken from a 1586 hymnbook of Lucas Osiander.

The fourteenth-century hymn Puer natus in Bethlehem circulated in both Latin and German versions in pre-Reformation times. The main setting, found in the Polyhymnia caduceatrix, is scored for three solo voices and strings and troped (interspersed) with a ritornello for full ensemble ("Singet, jubiliret, triumphiret"). Praetorius suggests that the congregation should sing verses in a simple setting at the end of each part; as usual, the text is given in two languages.

Luther's famous chorale *Von Himmel hoch*, with its folksong-like melody, provides the gradual hymn. The settings come from *Musae Sioniae V* and *Urania*, both simple enough to allow the congregation to join in alternate verses, with the scoring of the choral verses constantly varied. The pulpit hymn is another fourteenth-century folk-hymn *Quem pastores laudavere*, which was traditionally sung line-by-line by four boys placed high in galleries to represent the heavenly host of angels on Christmas night. The earthly congregation replies with two carols *Nunc angelorum* and *Gottes Sohn is Mensch-geborn*.

For the communion, Wie schön leuchtet der Morgenstern is sung: this would have been a comparatively modern chorale in 1620; the text by Philip Nicolai first appeared in print in 1599. Although not

written for the Nativity, it very soon became part of the Lutheran Christmas repertoire. Praetorius ingeniously takes the five solo voices and instruments through a kaleidoscope of changing textures simply by silencing different members of the ensemble. The whole work is closely based on the chorale melody, the solo sections being punctuated by a refrain with an additional four-part vocal and/or instrumental cappella. The final chorale is the fifteenth-century Puer nobis nascitur from Musae Sioniae VI, performed in a straightforward choraliter/figuraliter style with Latin and German verses alternating.

Last of all comes the fourteenth-century macaronic hymn In dulci jubilo, probably the most famous of all carols. The setting is a sumptuous and spectacular polychoral version from the Polyhymnia caduceatrix scored for four choirs with trumpets and drums. Tonight's performance presents a new re-working of the material tailored precisely to our touring ensemble taking at face value the composer's invitation to rearrange the musical material. Town or court trumpeters would have joined the church ensemble for special occasions: ever the pragmatist, Praetorius advises the Kapellmeister that they are best placed at a very great distance, or even outside the church!

Program notes by Paul McCreesh and Robin A. Leaver.

aul McCreesh is among the most pre-eminent and versatile British conductors of the younger generation and has an outstanding international reputation for his work in renaissance and baroque music, most notably with the Gabrieli Consort & Players which he founded in 1982.

With his ensemble he has performed in concert, radio and on television in most of Europe's international festivals and



Paul McCreesh

concert halls including the BBC Proms, Vienna Konzerthaus, Bergen Festival, Glasgow Mayfest, Lucerne Festival, Cité de la Musique in Paris, Bremen Musikfest, Covent Garden Festival, Accademia Santa

Cecilia Roma, the South Bank Centre, Jerusalem Festival, Polish Radio, Styriate Graz, the Palau de la Musica Barcelona, Flanders Festival, Utrecht Festival, Ludwigsburger Schlossfestspicle, and the Handelfestspiele in Halle.

As well as conducting established masterpieces by Monteverdi, Handel, Bach and Purcell he is especially renowned for his imaginative programming, often calling upon the very latest research and placing music within the framework of great historic events and ceremonies.

Since 1993, Paul McCreesh has enjoyed an exclusive recording contract with Deutsche Grammophon Archiv Produktion. His recorded repertoire includes music by Gabrieli, Monteverdi, Purcell, Praetorius, Palestrina, Josquin, Victoria and Morales, and forthcoming recordings of Bach and Handel. These recordings, including video productions, have scooped most of the major international recording prizes, including two Gramophone Awards, the Diapason D'Or, the Deutschen Schallplatten Preis and two Edisons.

Away from his own ensemble, Paul McCreesh is noted for the breadth of his interests in later repertoire. He has performed Bruckner for the BBC and City of London Festival, Stravinsky, Haydn, Elgar and Fauré with the Northern Sinfonia in Newcastle, and has appeared with the Orchestra Regionale Toscana in Florence,

with the Netherlands Bach Society and the Netherlands Chamber Choir. He has also enjoyed conducting opera and stage productions in the UK, France, Holland and the US.

Tonight's performance marks Paul McCreesh's second appearance under UMS auspices.

ince its founding by Paul McCreesh in 1982, the Gabrieli Consort & Players have gained an international reputation for their performances of Renaissance and Baroque music. The ensemble is best known for its extraordinary reconstructions of famous sixteenth- and seventeenth-century musical events. Much of this success can be attributed to the extensive research by Paul McCreesh in preparation for each project.

In 1989 the Consort & Players undertook their first historical reconstruction with *A Venetian Coronation, 1595*. Specifically, this consisted of music by Andrea and Giovanni Gabrieli performed at the coronation of Doge Marino Grimani at San Marco in Venice. This mixture of High Mass and grand ceremonial caught the imagination of a public unfamiliar with much of the music, and has proved largely popular. In 1991 the recording received Gramophone's Award for "Best Early Music Recording," the Edison Award, and the ABC Award.

Subsequent reconstructions have been similarly successful: Venetian Vespers (vespers as it might have been in 1640's Venice), Christmas in Rome (Palestrina's Missa Hodie Christus Natus Est at Santa Maria Maggiore, Rome: filmed for T.V., video and laser disc in 1992), and A Lutheran Christmas Mass (c. 1620) by Michael Praetorius, with its colorful range of renaissance instruments and massed choirs. The latest project of this kind took place recently at the Scuola di San Rocco in Venice, where Paul McCreesh fulfilled a long-held ambition by recreating

and recording in sound and vision, on the 700th anniversary of the birth of San Rocco, a concert given at the Scuola in August 1608. Entitled *Music at San Rocco*, this extraordinary event features fifty-two performers, among them seven organists, and includes Giovanni Gabrieli's most majestic polychoral pieces, culminating in the monu-

nal and well-received debut with a semistaged production of Handel's *Saul* at the 1994 Covent Garden Festival in London. In 1995, Purcell's centenary year, they performed his dramatic masterpieces, *King Arthur*, *The Fairy Queen*, and *Dido and Æneas* throughout Europe.

In 1997, the Gabrieli Consort & Players

joined Musica Antiqua Köln in a spectacular performance of Biber's Salzburger Messe, which was presented and recorded by Deutsche Gramophon's Archiv label to celebrate its fiftieth anniversary. Archiv also recorded the ensemble's fresh take on Handel's Messiah as a special anniversary release. Last fall, the Gabrieli Consort & Players toured the US with



Gabrieli Consort & Players

mental *Magnificat* for seven choirs. It was shown on European TV in 1996.

Paul McCreesh and the Gabrieli
Consort & Players have extended their international concert, broadcasting, and recording activity. They often record for BBC
Radio 3 and perform throughout the UK, appearing at the BBC Proms, the South Bank, and at festivals including Oxford, Glasgow, York, Birmingham, Covent Garden, and Spitalfields. Along with critically acclaimed performances at the BBC Proms, Vienna's Konzerthaus, and Cité de la Musique in Paris, they are regular guests at such leading European festivals as Lyon, Beaune, La Chaise Dieu, Flanders, and Utrecht.

In the field of music-theatre Paul McCreesh and the ensemble made an origitheir Venetian Vespers program to great critical acclaim.

Paul McCreesh and the Gabrieli Consort & Players record exclusively for Archiv Produktion.

Tonight's performance marks the Gabrieli Consort & Players' second appearance under UMS auspices.

Please refer to UMS Annals, page 25, for biographical information on the UMS Choral Union.

Tonight's performance marks the UMS Choral Union's 377th appearance under UMS auspices.

#### Members of the UMS Choral Union

Thomas Sheets, Conductor
Justin Rossow, Assistant Conductor
Jean Schneider-Claytor, Accompanist
Edith Leavis Bookstein, Chorus Manager
Kathleen Operhall, Co-Manager
Donald Bryant, Conductor Emeritus

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Terril Tompkins

# UMS Experience

#### THE 1999-2000 UMS SEASON

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UMS Co-Commission Laurie Anderson Songs and Stories from Moby Dick

Thursday, September 30, 8 p.m. Friday, October 1, 8 p.m. Saturday, October 2, 8 p.m.

Power Center Video Screening of Laurie Anderson's Home of the Brave (1986) hosted by Linda Kendall, Technologist for the U-M Media Union. Wednesday, September 29, 6:30 p.m., Ann Arbor District Library, Main Branch, Multipurpose Room, Lower Level. Master of Arts Interview with Laurie Anderson, Interviewed by Stephen Rush, Professor of Music/Dance/ Technology. Friday, October 1, 12 noon, Power Center. In conjunction with the Stamps' Visiting Arts Program of the U-M School of Art and Design, and the Institute for Research on Women and Gender, and the U-M Museum of Art.

Meet the Artist Post-performance dialogue from the stage. Friday and Saturday, October 1-2. Media sponsors WDET and Metro Times.

#### Detroit Symphony Orchestra

Neeme Järvi, conductor Sergei Leiferkus, bass-baritone Estonian National Male Choir UMS Choral Union Sunday, October 3, 4 p.m. Hill Auditorium Sponsored by Bank One, Michigan. Media sponsor WGTE.

#### Andrea Marcovicci

Sunday, October 3, 6:30 p.m.
Season Opening Dinner
Michigan League Ballroom
Please call 734.936.6837 for reservations and more information.

#### Amalia Hernández' Ballet Folklórico de México

Tuesday, October 5, 8 p.m.
Wednesday, October 6, 7 p.m.
Power Center
Family Project Make a Mexican Skull
Rattle at the Ann Arbor Art Center,
Sunday, October 3. Call 734.994.8004
for more information (\$).
PREP "An Introduction to Mexican
Folklore and Folkloric Dance" by
Gregorio Luke, Director of the Latin
American Museum of Los Angeles.
Tuesday, October 5, 7 p.m., Michigan
League, Vandenberg Room, 2nd Floor.
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from AAA Michigan. Media sponsor WDET.

Paco Peña and Inti-Illimani Friday, October 8, 8 p.m. Michigan Theater

#### Lyon Opera Ballet

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Mats Ek's Carmen and Solo for Two Saturday, October 16, 8 p.m. Sunday, October 17, 2 p.m. Power Center PREP "The Lyon Opera Ballet" by Yorgos Loukos, Artistic Director.

Saturday, October 16, 7 p.m., Michigan League, Vandenberg Room, 2nd Floor. **Drawn to Dance** Students from the Ann Arbor Art Center sketch the Lyon Opera Ballet dancers in rehearsal. Saturday, October 16, Power Center. For information and registration, call the Ann Arbor Art Center, 734.994.8004. \$

Ballet Master Class with Yorgos Loukos, Artistic Director. Saturday, October 16, 10 a.m., Eastern Michigan University. Advanced level students only. To register call EMU Dance Department, 734.487.1211. \$

Meet the Artist with Yorgo Loukos, artistic director. Post-performance dialogue from the stage. Saturday, October 16.

#### Berlin Philharmonic Orchestra

Claudio Abbado, music director Wednesday, October 20, 8 p.m. Hill Auditorium

Lecture and Reception "Why is Schoenberg's Music So Easy to Understand?" with Glenn Watkins, Earl V. Moore Professor of Music. Wed, Oct 20, 5 p.m., U-M Institute for the Humanities. In conjunction with the Center for European Studies. Presented with the generous support of Wilhelm Kast and Friends of the Berlin Philharmonic Orchestra. Media sponsor

#### Moondrunk

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Da Camera of Houston Conceived by Sarah Rothenberg Choreography/Stage Direction by John Kelly Lucy Shelton, soprano Friday, October 22, 8 p.m. Power Center

## The King's Singers and Evelyn Glennie, percussion

Saturday, October 23, 8 p.m. Hill Auditorium Co-sponsored by O'Neal Construction, Inc. and Elastizell. Media sponsor WDET.

## Schoenberg and His Kind Michigan Chamber Players Franklin Artists of the University

Faculty Artists of the University of Michigan School of Music Sunday, October 24, 4 p.m. Rackham Auditorium Complimentary Admission

#### Sankai Juku Hiyomeki

Wednesday, October 27, 8 p.m. Power Center PREP "Ecstatic Meditation: The Performance Tradition of Sankai Juku" by Kate Remen, UMS Education and Audience Development Manager. Wednesday, October 27, 7 p.m., Michigan League, Vandenberg Room, 2nd Floor. Media sponsor WDET.

## Bill Frisell's New Quartet Thursday, October 28, 8 p.m.

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## Buena Vista Social Club

#### Orquesta Ibrahím Ferrer & Rubén González y su Grupo

Saturday, October 30, 8 p.m. Hill Auditorium

PREP "The Cuban Son, its Origins and Evolution; or, Why is Cuban Music so Much Fun?" by Dr. Alberto Nacif, Cuban musicologist and percussionist. Saturday, October 30, 7 p.m., Michigan League, Vandenberg Room, 2nd Floor. Presented with the generous support of Charles Hall. Media sponsors WEMU and Metro Times.

#### **Emerson String Quartet**

Friday, November 5, 8 p.m. Rackham Auditorium Meet the Artist Post-Performance dialogue from the stage. Sponsored by Edward Surovell Realtors.

#### American String Quartet

Beethoven the Contemporary Sunday, November 7, 4 p.m. Rackham Auditorium Media sponsor Michigan Radio.

#### Les Arts Florissants Henry Purcell's King Arthur

William Christie, conductor Wednesday, November 10, 8 p.m. Hill Auditorium

PREP "Purcell's Music for the Stage" with Ellwood Derr, U-M Professor of Music. Wednesday, November 10, 7 p.m., Michigan League, Vandenberg Room, 2nd Floor.

Presented with the generous support of Maurice and Linda Binkow. Media sponsor WGTE.

#### Theatre of Voices

Paul Hillier, director Friday, November 12, 8 p.m. St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church

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#### Paco de Lucía and Septet

Friday, November 19, 8 p.m. Hill Auditorium Sponsored by Parke-Davis Pharmaceutical Research. Media sponsors WEMU and Metro Times.

#### KREMERata BALTICA

Gidon Kremer, violin Sunday, November 21, 4 p.m. Rackham Auditorium Sponsored by Deloitte & Touche.

## The Harlem Nutcracker Donald Byrd/The Group

Friday, November 26—Sunday, December 5
Detroit Opera House
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#### Handel's Messiah UMS Choral Union Ann Arbor Symphony Orchestra

Tamara Matthews, soprano Ewa Podleś, contralto Glenn Siebert, tenor Andrew Wentzel, bass-baritone Thomas Sheets, conductor Saturday, December 4, 8 p.m. Sunday, December 5, 2 p.m. Hill Auditorium Presented with the generous support of Jim and Millie Irwin.

#### Boys Choir of Harlem

Thursday, December 9, 8 p.m. Hill Auditorium Sponsored by Thomas B. McMullen Co. A Heartland Arts Fund Program with the National Endowment for the Arts and the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs.

#### Frederica von Stade, mezzo-soprano

Martin Katz, piano
Friday, December 10, 8 p.m.
Lydia Mendelssohn Theatre
PREP with Richard LeSueur, Vocal
Arts Information Services. Friday,
December 10, 7 p.m., Michigan
League, Koessler Library, 3rd Floor.
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#### A Lutheran Christmas Celebration (c. 1620) Gabrieli Consort & Players

UMS Choral Union
Paul McCreesh, director
Tuesday, December 14, 8 p.m.
St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church

#### The Romeros

Sunday, January 9, 4 p.m. Rackham Auditorium

#### Bebe Miller Company

Saturday, January 15, 8 p.m. Power Center

Master of Arts Interview with Bebe Miller, choreographer, and showing of *Three*, a film by Isaac Julien featuring Bebe Miller and Ralph Lemon. Friday, January 14, 7 p.m., Betty Pease Studio, 2nd Floor, U-M Dance Department. In conjunction with the Institute for Research on Women and Gender, Center for Afroamerican and African Studies, Center for Education of Women, and U-M Department of Dance.

Dance Master Class Saturday, January 15, 10:30 a.m., U-M Dance Department, Studio A.

PREP "Identity and Process in Bebe Miller's Choreography" by Kate Remen, UMS Education and Audience Development Manager. Saturday, January 15, 7 p.m., Michigan League, Koessler Library, 3rd Floor.

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Dance Department Mini Course
"Four Women of the Dance:" a minicourse based on the UMS sponsored
performances of four major American
women choreographers" taught by Gay
Delanghe, U-M Professor of Dance.
Winter Term, 2000. Mass Meeting,
Saturday, January 8, 12 noon. For information, delanghe@umich.edu or call
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#### Take 6

Monday, January 17, 8 p.m. Hill Auditorium Sponsored by Butzel Long Attorneys with support from Republic Bank. Media sponsors WEMU and WDET. Co-presented with the U-M Office of Academic Multicultural Initiatives.

#### Yo-Yo Ma, cello Kathryn Stott, piano

Thursday, January 20, 8 p.m. Hill Auditorium Sponsored by Forest Health Services. Media sponsor WGTE.

#### American String Quartet

Beethoven the Contemporary Sunday, January 23, 4 p.m. Rackham Auditorium Media sponsor Michigan Radio.

#### Russian National Orchestra

Mikhail Pletnev, conductor Francesko Schlimé, piano UMS Choral Union Monday, January 24, 8 p.m. Hill Auditorium

Center for Russian and Eastern European Studies Symposium "Scriabin and the End of Time" Sunday, January 23, Rackham Auditorium and Media Union. Full schedule at http://www-personal.umich.edu/~agreene/symposium.html or call 734.764.0351.

CREES Mini-Course on Fin de Siecle Russian Culture with Arthur Greene, Professor of Music and Michael Makin, Professor of Slavic Languages and Literature. Winter Term, 2000. For information, http://www-personal.umich. edu/~agreene/symposium.html or call 734.764.0351.

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#### Barbara Hendricks, soprano

Staffan Scheja, piano Saturday, January 29, 8 p.m. Lydia Mendelssohn Theatre PREP with Naomi André, U-M Professor of Music and Musicology. Saturday, January 29, 7 p.m., Michigan League, Koessler Library, 3rd Floor. Media sponsor WGTE.

#### Mozart and Friends – A Birthday Celebration Michigan Chamber Players

Faculty Artists of the University of Michigan School of Music Elwood Derr, director Sunday, January 30, 4 p.m. Rackham Auditorium Complimentary Admission

#### Jazz at Lincoln Center Sextet

Friday, February 4, 8 p.m.
Saturday, February 5, 2 p.m.
(One-Hour Family Performance)
Michigan Theater
Jazz Combo Master Classes with the
Jazz at Lincoln Center Sextet.
Thursday, February 3, 7 p.m., U-M
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#### Gothenburg Symphony Orchestra

Neeme Järvi, conductor Yuri Bashmet, viola Saturday, February 5, 8 p.m. Hill Auditorium Media sponsor WGTE.

## Meredith Monk Magic Frequencies A Science Fiction Chamber Opera

Wednesday, February 9, 8 p.m. Power Center

Master of Arts Interview with Meredith Monk interviewed by Beth Genné, U-M Professor of Dance, Dance History and Art. Tuesday, February 8, 12 noon. In conjunction with the Institute for Research on Women and Gender, U-M School of Music, Center for Education of Women, and the U-M Department of Dance. PREP "Goddess Meredith: The Interdisciplinary Genius of Meredith Monk" by Ben Johnson, UMS Director of Education and Audience

Development. Wednesday, February 9, 7 p.m., Michigan League Koessler Library (3rd Floor).

Meet the Artist Post-performance

dialogue from the stage.
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#### Doudou N'Diaye Rose, master drummer Drummers of West Africa

Thursday, February 10, 8 p.m. Hill Auditorium

Master of Arts Interview with Doudou N'Diaye Rose. Interviewed by Dr. Lester Monts, Associate Provost for Academic Affairs. Thursday, February 10, 3 p.m., U-M School of Music Recital Hall. In conjunction with the Center for Afroamerican and African Studies.

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## UMS Co-Commission Martha Clarke Vers la flamme

Christopher O'Riley, piano Friday, February 11, 8 p.m. Power Center

Master of Arts Interview with Martha Clarke, interviewed by Susan Nisbett, Dance and Music reviewer for the Ann Arbor News. Friday, February 11, 12 p.m., Betty Pease Studio, U-M Dance Department, 2nd Floor. In conjunction with the Institute for Research on Women and Gender, Center for Education of Women, and the U-M Department of Dance.

PREP "Interdisciplinary Inspiration: Martha Clarke's Choreographic Trajectory" by Kate Remen, UMS Education and Audience Development Manager. Friday, February 11, 7 p.m., Michigan League, Vandenberg Room, 2nd Floor.

**Meet the Artist** Post-performance dialogue from the stage.

Dance Master Class Saturday, February 12, 10:30 a.m., U-M Dance Department, Studio A.

#### Anne-Sophie Mutter, violin Lambert Orkis, piano

Saturday, February 12, 8 p.m. Hill Auditorium Sponsored by KeyBank. Media sponsor WGTE.

#### Estonian Philharmonic Chamber Choir

Tônu Kaljuste, director Sunday, February 13, 8 p.m. St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church

#### Murray Perahia, piano

Wednesday, February 16, 8 p.m. Hill Auditorium

Master of Arts Interview of Murray Perahia by Susan Isaacs Nisbett, music and dance writer for the Ann Arbor News. Tuesday, February 15, 7 p.m., U-M School of Music Recital Hall. Sponsored by CFI Group. Media sponsor WGTE.

#### New York City Opera National Company Rossini's *The Barber of Seville*

Thursday, February 17, 8 p.m. Friday, February 18, 8 p.m. Saturday, February 19, 2 p.m. (One-Hour Family Performance) Saturday, February 19, 8 p.m. Power Center

PREP "Opera 101 for Adults" with Helen Siedel, UMS Education Specialist. Friday, February 18, 6:45 p.m., Michigan League, Hussey Room, 2nd Floor.

"PREP for Kids" with Helen Siedel, UMS Education Specialist. Saturday, February 19, 1 p.m., Michigan League, Koessler Library, 3rd Floor. Sponsored by Parke-Davis Pharmaceutical Research.

#### Christian Tetzlaff, violin

Sunday, February 20, 8 p.m. St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church

#### The Chieftains

Wednesday, March 8, 8 p.m. Hill Auditorium Sponsored by Bank of Ann Arbor. Media sponsor WDET.

#### Ballet d'Afrique Noire The Mandinka Epic

Jean Pierre Leurs, director Thursday, March 9, 8 p.m. Friday, March 10, 8 p.m. Power Center

Master Classes Saturday, March 11 at Washtenaw Community College and U-M Dance Department. Please call 734.647.6712 for times.

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#### The English Concert Trevor Pinnock, conductor/ harpsichord

Saturday, March 11, 8 p.m.

Hill Auditorium
PREP with Steven Whiting, U-M
Professor of Musicology. Saturday,
March 11, 7 p.m., Michigan League,
Hussey Room, 2nd Floor.
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#### Maestro Ali Akbar Khan accompanied by Zakir Hussain

Friday, March 17, 8 p.m. Hill Auditorium Sponsored by Megasys Software Services, Inc. Media sponsor WDET.

#### Oscar Peterson Ouartet

Saturday, March 18, 8 p.m. Hill Auditorium

PREP with Linda Yohn, Programming Director of WEMU. Saturday, March 18, 7 p.m. Michigan League, Hussey Room, 2nd Floor.

Master of Arts Interview with Oscar Peterson, jazz piano. Saturday, March 18, 12 noon, Kerrytown Concerthouse, 415 N. Fourth Avenue, Ann Arbor. In conjunction with Kerrytown Concert House, U-M Department of Jazz Studies, and Southeastern Michigan Jazz Association, and the Center for Afroamerican and African Studies. Sposored by Arbor Temporaries/Personnel Systems, Inc./Arbor Technical Staffing. Media sponsor WEMU.

#### **American String Quartet**

Beethoven the Contemporary Sunday, March 19, 4 p.m. Rackham Auditorium

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#### Thomas Quasthoff, baritone

Justus Zeyen, piano
Monday, March 20, 8 p.m.
Lydia Mendelssohn Theatre
PREP with Richard LeSueur, Vocal
Arts Information Service. Monday,
March 20, 7 p.m., Michigan League,
Koessler Room, 3rd Floor.
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#### J.S. Bach Birthday Celebration Michigan Chamber Players Faculty Artists of the University

Faculty Artists of the Universit of Michigan School of Music Wednesday, March 22, 8 p.m. Rackham Auditroium Complimentary Admission

#### Forgiveness

Chen Shi-Zheng, director Friday, March 24, 8 p.m. Michigan Theater Presented with the generous support of Dr. Herbert Sloan.

#### Mammas

#### A Mediterranean Women's Music Summit

Saturday, March 25, 8 p.m. Michigan Theater Sponsored by Ideation.

#### Beaux Arts Trio

Sunday, March 26, 4 p.m. Rackham Auditorium Sponsored by Dow Automotive.

#### Moscow Virtuosi

Vladimir Spivakov, conductor Inva Mula, soprano Friday, March 31, 8 p.m. Rackham Auditorium Sponsored by Edward Surovell Realtors.

#### Czech Philharmonic Orchestra

Vladimir Ashkenazy, conductor Saturday, April 1, 8 p.m. Hill Auditorium Sponsored by Pepper Hamilton LLP. Media sponsor WGTE.

#### The Watts Prophets

with special guest Toni Blackman Saturday, April 8, 8 p.m. Michigan Theater Open Rehearsal at the Michigan Theater.

Hip-Hop Panel Discussion with the Watts Prophets, Toni Blackman, and Detroit Hip-Hop artists. Wednesday, April 5. In conjunction with the Center for Afroamerican and African Studies and the Institute for Research on Women and Gender, and the King Chavéz Parks Visiting Professor's Program and the Office of the Provost. Toni Blackman is presented in conjunction with the Institute for Research on Women and Gender and the Center for Afroamerican and African Studies. Media sponsors WEMU and Metro Times.

#### Trisha Brown Company

Wednesday, April 12, 8 p.m.

Power Center
Institute of the Humanities Brown
Bag Lunch "Form and Structure: The
Cycles in Trisha Brown's Choreographic
Career" by Kate Remen, UMS
Education and Audience Development
Manager. Tuesday, February 1, 12 p.m.,
U-M Institute for the Humanities.
Master of Arts Interview with Trisha
Brown, choreographer. Interviewed by
Ben Johnson, UMS Department of
Education and Audience Development.
Wednesday, April 12, 12 noon, U-M
Department of Dance, Betty Pease

Studio, 2nd Floor. In conjunction with the Institute for Research on Women and Gender and the U-M Department

of Dance.

PREP "Trisha Brown's Music Cycle: A Choreographer's Journey" by Ben Johnson, UMS Director of Education and Audience. Wednesday, April 12, 7 p.m., Michigan League, Koessler Library, 3rd Floor.

**Meet the Artist** Post-performance dialogue from the stage.

#### Susanne Mentzer, mezzo-soprano Sharon Isbin, guitar

Thursday, April 13, 8 p.m. Lydia Mendelssohn Theatre Vocal Master Class with Susanne Mentzer. Friday, April 14, U-M School of Music.

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#### Australian Chamber Orchestra

Richard Tognetti, conductor Anne-Marie McDermott, piano Friday, April 14, 8 p.m. Rackham Audtorium

# J.S. Bach's St. Matthew Passion UMS Choral Union Ann Arbor Symphony Orchestra Ann Arbor Youth Chorale

Thomas Sheets, conductor Sunday, April 16, 4 p.m. Hill Auditorium PREP Sunday, April 16, 3 p.m., Michigan League, Koessler Library, 3rd Floor.

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#### Lincoln Center Jazz Orchestra Dance Tour

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#### Family Performances

For many years, UMS has been committed to providing the opportunity for families to enjoy the arts together.

This season's special, one-hour Family Performances include:

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## 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. All PREPs are open to the public and usually begin one hour before curtain time.

## 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 artist, performance and art form. Each Meet the Artist event occurs immediately after the performance, and the question-and-answer session takes place from the stage.

#### **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, participatory workshops, clinics, visiting scholars, seminars, community projects, symposia, panel discussions, art installations and exhibits. Most activities are free and open to the public and occur around the date of the artist's performance.

Major residencies for the 1999/2000 season are with:

- · Lyon Opera Ballet
- · American String Quartet
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- · lazz at Lincoln Center Sextet
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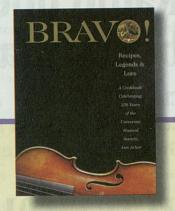
- Wednesday, October 20
   Berlin Philharmonic Orchestra
- Saturday, October 23

  The King's Singers and Evelyn Glennie

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  Room in Hill Auditorium.
- Wednesday, November 10
   Les Arts Florissants
   Henry Purcell's King Arthur
- Thursday, January 20 Yo-Yo Ma
- Monday, January 24
   Russian National Orchestra
- Saturday, February 5
   Gothenburg Symphony Orchestra
- Saturday, February 12
   Anne-Sophie Mutter
- Wednesday, February 16
   Murray Perahia
- Saturday, March 11
   The English Concert
- Saturday, April 1
   Czech Philharmonic Orchestra

Please Note: All dinners are scheduled prior to performances on the Choral Union Series except for the Saturday, October 23 dinner prior to The King's Singers. This performance is part of the Ann Arbor Favorites Series.



#### BRAVO!

This fall, UMS is publishing BRAVO!, a cookbook with recipes, legends, and lore honoring 120 years of the University Musical Society. Proceeds from the sale of the book benefit UMS' nationally-acclaimed performance presentations and its innovative education and outreach programs. Copies are available for sale in the lobby (after most performances), or may be ordered through our website (www.ums.org) or by calling toll-free 877.238.0503.



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Sat. Feb. 5	Gothenburg Symphony Orchestra
Sat. Feb. 12	Anne Sophie Mutter, violin
Sat. Feb. 19	New York City Opera National
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Fri. Mar. 10	Ballet d'Afrique Noire:
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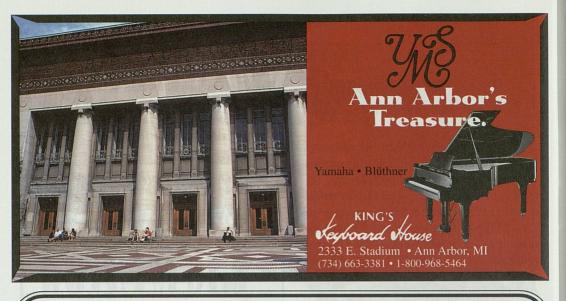
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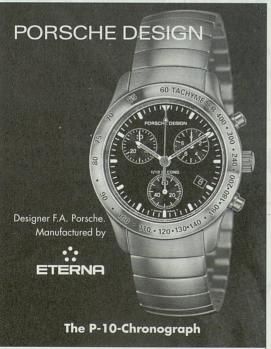
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