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Pendulum New Music

Featuring CU Wind Symphony and Boulder Altitude Directive 7:30 p.m., Wednesday, March 30, 2022
Grusin Music Hall

Program

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Chase Church

CU Wind Symphony

Donald McKinney, conductor

Frying Pan

Veda-Hingert McDonald

Christopher Eagles, vibraphone

Signs, Games and Messages

György Kurtág

Veda Hingert-McDonald, violin

Dragonfly Pond

Josh Maynard

- I. Duckling March
- II. Snapping Turtles
- III. Toad Rendezvous
- IV. Waterlily Ballade
- V. Dragonfly Flight

Flatiron Five

Erika Gossett, flute Ricky Arellano, oboe Julian Ruiz, clarinet Rose Hansen, bassoon Olivia Walt, French horn

-Intermission -

Preludes to January

Josie Arnett

- I. Bluish Hues
- II. Counting Degrees
- III. Pawprints

Luke Lozano, piano

Aftersome

Isabel Burgos Goodwin
Isabel Burgos Goodwin, bassoon
Indigo Farmer, piano

Grind

Ilan Blanck

Boulder Altitude Directive (B.A.D. Ensemble)

Carter Pann, director

Grace Law, flute

Gleyton Pinto, clarinet

Laena Batchelder, violin

Nicole Chung, cello

Zerek Dodson, piano

Chris Eagles, percussion

llan Blanck, electric guitar

Program notes

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Urbis Lumine

Chase Church

Urbis Lumine is based off of a recurring dream that Chase would have that depicted a deep fear of the composer's: the feeling of being impossibly, completely lost. The overwhelming, almost nauseating shifts in color represent the feeling of overstimulation combined with the terror and insecurity of being hopelessly lost in a completely unfamiliar place.

Frying Pan

Veda Hingert-McDonald

Frying Pan was inspired by the fact that the genre of solo percussion music emerged alongside social justice movements, and from a need for greater democracy in concert music. Rather than emphasize technical virtuosity, an inherently exclusive value that takes years of practice to achieve, Frying Pan focuses on the concept of emotional virtuosity, which is something I believe anyone can achieve when given the space.

The title is inspired by a related quote about the accessibility of solo percussion music by percussionist Steven Schick: "there's not a Stradivarius frying pan."

Dragonfly Pond

Josh Maynard

Maynard's first wind quintet, *Dragonfly Pond*, takes listeners on a journey to a lively morning pond, focusing on its little critters in five movements. These character pieces follow waddling ducks, swimming turtles, lounging toads, floating waterlilies and frantic dragonflies. Meant to evoke both the tranquil and vivacious aspects of wildlife, this piece's five woodwinds represent the harmony of different creatures living together without the interference of human hands. These movements convey the serene solitude of untouched environments that so often create their own music ... if we only listen.

Personnel

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Chase Church

Chase Church is a 23 year old composer, producer and musician. The Colorado native studied music composition at the University of Colorado under the instruction of Carter Pann, Michael Theodore, Nathan Hall and Annika Socolofsky. Church is highly inspired by impressionist-era music, electronic music, shoegaze and jazz.

Veda Hingert-McDonald (she/her)

Veda Hingert-McDonald is a Canadian violinist and composer currently pursuing a master's at the University of Colorado Boulder where she studies with Takács Quartet violinists Harumi Rhodes and Edward Dusinberre. Drawn to story just as much as sound, Hingert-McDonald's performance of both new and standard repertoire aims to balance personal connection with tradition, and her compositions often draw on narrative and programmatic elements to explore themes of nature and questions she has about the world around her.

Outside of her musical life Hingert-McDonald is active in environmental and food justice work including training in permaculture design, founding a zero waste concert series, and creating an Indigenous food justice garden. She sees both chamber music and permaculture as opportunities to build and model the kind of interconnectedness and empathy she wishes to see in the world.

Joshua Carter Maynard

Joshua Carter Maynard is a composer from Colorado Springs and is currently studying a Bachelor of Music in Composition at the University of Colorado Boulder. Maynard's choral compositions and arrangements have been performed by elite chamber, a capella and jazz ensembles at multiple choral festivals and CHSAA competitions. His twelve-part Latin piece *Lux Aeterna* was performed by the AAHS Chamber Singers at the Colorado Music Educators Association conference in January 2020. The choir was accepted into the conference after their CHSAA-Superior-rated performance of Maynard's *Green*

Mountain at the Westside Honor Festival in Nov.2018. Additionally, Maynard's orchestral piece Winterdove was performed by the Denver Playground Ensemble at the University of Denver's Gates Hall in June 2020 and again at CU Boulder's September 2021 Pendulum New Music concert. Most recently, his four-movement choral suite Young Years debuted in December 2021 at Grusin Music Hall.

Maynard and his pieces have been awarded five Superior CHSAA ratings. Maynard directed music for multiple productions and sang in Honor and All-State level ensembles on the following stages: Carnegie Hall, the United States Polaris Center, the Pikes Peak Center, the Ent Center for the Performing Arts, the Colorado Bellco Theatre, David Filsinger Hall, the Kennedy Space Center and Broadmoor Hall. In February 2020 he sang in the Colorado All-State Choir at the Buell Theatre. Maynard is also the founder of the Kadet Chorale, the first honor choir at the Air Academy.

Maynard is also a decorated Eagle Scout and published author of a fantasy novel, *The Four Sunrises*. As an International Thespian Honor Society member, he has performed lead roles in *Fiddler on the Roof*, *Les Miserables*, *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat* and *Mamma Mia*.

Isabel Goodwin

Originally from Dallas, Texas, Isabel Goodwin has been composing since she was 10 years old, beginning with short songs for the recorder. More recently, Goodwin has had works performed by the Austin Symphony Orchestra, the Worcester Chamber Music Society String Quartet, the Greater Dallas Youth Orchestra Wind Symphony and many others. Now studying at the University of Colorado Boulder, Goodwin is pursuing degrees in music composition and bassoon performance. Goodwin began taking lessons on the bassoon at 11 years old and has been inspired by the orchestral, chamber and solo repertoire she has studied. Goodwin is also influenced by the music of Puerto Rico, where her mother's family is from. Influential composers include Heitor Villa-Lobos, Dmitri Shostakovich and Danny Elfman. Though Goodwin prioritizes her work as a composer and bassoonist, she also pursues writing and graphic design. Goodwin loves to incorporate her passion for music into her other

creative endeavors and has found success selling music stickers and working as a camp counselor at a bassoon camp. Goodwin's writing has also been published in Southwest Musicians magazine and writes blog posts for CU Boulder's College of Music's admissions department. **Goodwin's works can be found on her YouTube channel**.

Ilan Blanck

Ilan Blanck is songwriter, composer, and guitarist currently based in Boulder, CO. In 2020, he premiered *Ya No Tengo Miedo Por Primera Vez*, a song-cycle that tracks the life of his great-grandparents through his own Midwestern, Mexican-Jewish eyes. As a music-maker, he has written for orchestra, string quartets, sad singer-songwriters and a lot of bands. As a guitarist, he has appeared on more than a dozen recordings, shared the stage with artists ranging from eighth blackbird to Guster and Here Come the Mummies, and toured the midwest and east coast in a 2004 bright red Dodge Sprinter van. He can often be found counting to seven with progressive folk trio Sprig of That or as the power ranger in funk-rock circus Porky's Groove Machine. He also works as assistant to Minneapolis' super-producer Lazerkbeak (Lizzo, Doja Cat, Doomtree), and is currently pursuing a Master of Music in composition at the University of Colorado Boulder.

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