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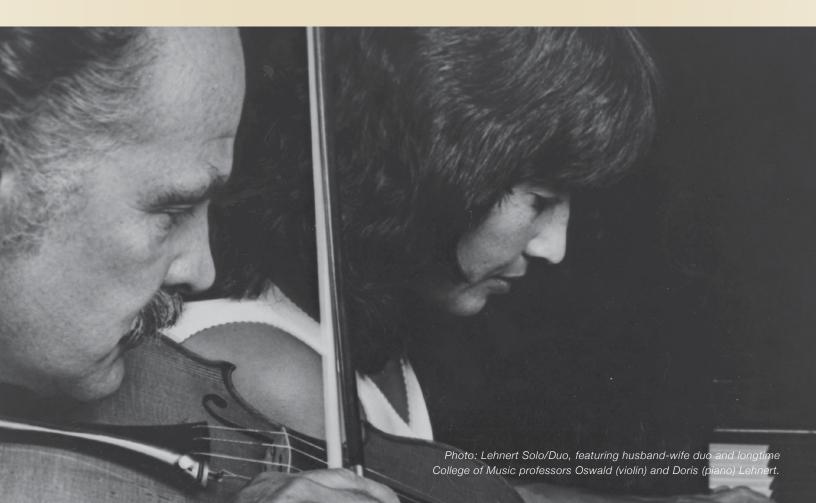
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# College of Music's Faculty Tuesdays series celebrates 22 years of community-focused music making

By Ally Dever

CU Boulder's College of Music has been offering free, live faculty performances to the Boulder community for more than two decades.

As part of the long-running Faculty Tuesdays series, professional musicians in the college play concerts every Tuesday during the fall and spring semesters, offering students and community members the opportunity to experience firsthand the renowned talent housed right here on campus.



Daniel Sher, former College of Music Dean, and Joan McLean Braun, assistant dean for concerts and communications and executive director of CU Presents, started the popular Faculty Tuesdays series in 1999. "With this series, the College of Music launched something unique," Sher said. "There really wasn't a formal approach to faculty recitals at other schools and colleges at the time."

But word of the first-of-its-kind series quickly spread to other universities. Sher routinely attended several conferences and roundtables for music deans and directors across the country, and found many of his colleagues at other institutions were inspired by Faculty Tuesdays. Some even expressed interest in similar programs of their own.

"Music deans at other schools would ask how we got such a large audience to the concerts and how we got faculty to participate," he said.

Since then, several music schools across the country have instituted similar programs, like Yale's Faculty Artist Series, Arizona State University's ASU in Concert Series and Michigan State University's Faculty Recital Series.

## Craft and collaboration

Distinguished Professor of Piano David Korevaar has been a frequent performer at Faculty Tuesdays since its inception, participating in over 70 individual performances.

As a world-renowned professional musician who has performed throughout the United States, Europe, Asia, and Central and South America, Korevaar believes Faculty Tuesdays offers something special.

"This is one of the best audiences I play for anywhere in the world," Korevaar said. "And as performers, that's what musicians are all about."

For faculty, the series has served as a platform to practice their craft. It provides them with an appreciative audience and a free venue to try out their material before they take it on the road—an opportunity that's not offered to most professional musicians.

And, by allowing performers to schedule their slots in advance, it also inspires faculty to plan collaborative performances with colleagues in different departments, bringing a new dimension to the weekly performances.

"With the introduction of Faculty Tuesdays, our professors were less siloed and began to appreciate one another, and learn more about the artistry and abilities of their colleagues," Sher said.

"It contributed significantly to the climate of collaboration that the college enjoys today and elevated the mutual respect and admiration between our faculty members." Unlike other concerts, attendees don't have to drive far and pay expensive fees to hear professional quality music.

Chris Brauchli, a violinist and longtime donor to the College of Music, has attended Faculty Tuesday performances since the series' inception.

"The quality and level of the talent continues to blossom, and it makes the concerts superb," he said. "It's a real treat for people who live here to be able to hear these performances for free on a weekly basis."

The College of Music relies on community donations to continue to host Faculty Tuesdays.

To encourage others to donate, Brauchli has been known for his "magic envelope" bit on occasional Tuesday events. Formerly inserted in each hardcopy program, there was an envelope for voluntary donations.\*

"As a joke, I've pointed out that attendees can tear it off, throw it away and it becomes trash," he said. "Or, they can put money inside, mail it back to the college and it becomes gold."

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## Fall Festival of Choirs

### Let All the World in Every Corner Sing

University Choir, Festival Chorus, CU Treble Chorus and CU Chamber Singers Gregory Gentry and Elizabeth Swanson, faculty conductors Raul Dominguez, Jessie Flasschoen-Campbell, Jun Young Na, O'Neil Jones and Dan Wessler, assistant conductors

7:30 p.m., Sunday, Oct. 31, 2021 Macky Auditorium

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Dan Wessler, assistant conductor
Ya-Ting Yang, collaborative pianist

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VII. Crótalo

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Jakko Mäntyjärvi (b. 1984)

## Program notes

## "Let All the World in Every Corner Sing" from Five Mystical Songs

Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958) Words by George Herbert

"Let all the world in every corner sing," also known as *Antiphon* for baritone soloist, is the final movement of Vaughan Williams' *Five Mystical Songs*. It was composed for solo baritone, chorus and orchestra between 1907 and 1911. The Herbert poem was written ca. 1632 at a time when Charles I was king of England. His poems are largely religious and reveal his personal struggles.

Let all the world in every corner sing, My God and King.

The heavens are not too high, His praise may thither fly: The earth is not too low, His praises there may grow.

Let all the world in every corner sing, My God and King.

The Church with Psalms must shout, No door can keep them out: But above all the heart Must beat the longest part.

Let all the world in every corner sing, My God and King.

### To Sit and Dream

Rosephanye Powell (b. 1962)

Rosephanye Dunn Powell serves as Professor of Voice at Auburn University. She holds degrees from The Florida State University (DM vocal performance), Westminster Choir College (MM vocal performance and pedagogy) and Alabama State University (BM Education). A highly commissioned composer for professional, university, community, church and secondary school choruses, Powell regularly serves as a conductor for All-State and Honor Choirs around the country.

In her composition, *To Sit and Dream*, Powell sets a text by Harlem Renaissance jazz poet, playwright and social activist, Langston Hughes.

#### Note from the composer:

Setting the poetry of the same title by Langston Hughes, this text addresses "our problem world" with the hope that those who dare to dream can "make our world anew". The composer sought to capture, in concert form, the jazz influences harmonically that were such a part of Hughes' world. She sought to utilize harmonic colors that could be both "dark" (representing "our problem world") and "bright" ("our world anew") dependent upon the listener's perspective. In her mind, the composer imagined Hughes, in his apartment, in solitude, reading the paper, overwhelmed by the realities of America's present state, yet daring to dream of a better day. Almost in a state of trance, he makes his way to the busy streets of New York, reaching out his hand to passersbythose of like mind who will join him in being a catalyst for positive change. Many respond positively and joyfully to his invitation and begin to reach out to others. This idea is expressed in the last section of the song as parts enter successively singing, "I reach out my hand to you," then join in one voice. For a few moments, everyone one reaches out to everyone else in love and peace. In the final phrase of the song "to sit and dream," Hughes awakens- the newspaper headlines still before him-and resolves that he may never see such a day, except when he sits and dreams.

To sit and dream, to sit and read,
To sit and learn about the world
Outside our world of here and now —
Our problem world —
To dream of vast horizons of the soul
Through dreams made whole,
Unfettered, free — help me!
All you who are dreamers too,
Help me to make our world anew.
I reach out my dreams to you.
—Langston Hughes (1901-1967)

## Sing Out, My Soul!

Marques Garrett (b. 1984)

Marques L. A. Garrett is an assistant professor of music in choral activities at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln in the Glenn Korff School of Music. His responsibilities include conducting the auditioned Chamber Singers and nonauditioned University Chorale (soprano-alto) as well as teaching graduate choral literature. As a researcher, one of his most valuable contributions to the profession has been his study of non-idiomatic choral music of Black composers. His lectures at state and regional conferences of the American Choral Directors Association and at other local and national venues afford him the opportunity to advocate for this underrepresented area of music. Composed in 2020, Sing Out, My Soul! is an anthem for the present day. The opening line of the poem by William Henry Davies calls our souls to sing out with joy, offering an antidote to the distractions within our society caused by the persistent torrent of news cycles and incessant use of social media, inevitably causing heightened anxieties and comparisons of one's internal life to the external illusion of another's. Davies' text reminds both the singer and the listener that authentic joy comes from deep within and that striving to develop a content mind will far supersede any measure of material wealth.

Songs of Joy (excerpt)
Sing out, my soul, your songs of joy;
Sing as a happy bird will sing
Beneath a rainbow's lovely arch
In early spring.
Think not of death...

Strive not for gold...

Train up your mind to feel content,
What matters then how low your
store?

What we enjoy, and not possess,
Makes rich or poor.

- William Henry Davies (1871-1940)

## **Steal Away**

Jester Hairston (1901-2000)

Jester Hairston was one of the preeminent arrangers of African American spirituals in the twentieth century, in addition to being a renowned historian on the genre. Throughout his career, he brought an awareness of the African American spiritual to many audiences, conducted choirs and arranged spirituals for Hollywood films and popular mainstream music groups. In *Steal Away*, Hairston expresses the complex interaction of sorrow and hope, characteristic of spirituals, through stark shifts in dynamic, tempo and texture, all the while coloring the sound with thick, chromatic, Gospel-tinged harmony.

-Program note by Dan Wessler

Steal away, steal away, Steal away to Jesus, Steal away, steal away, I ain't got long to stay here.

My Lord, he calls me! He calls me by de thunder! De trumpet sounds within-a my soul: I ain't got long to stay here.

Steal away, steal away, Steal away to Jesus, Steal away, steal away, I ain't got long to stay here.

My Lord, he calls me!
He calls me by de lightnin'!
De trumpet sounds within-a my soul:
I ain't got long to stay here.

Steal away, steal away, Steal away to Jesus, Steal away, steal away, I ain't got long to stay here.

## Kyrie from Missa Brevis in F Major, K192

W.A. Mozart (1756-1791)

Missa brevis ("brief mass") is a term that can define a number of different types of mass settings, depending upon country and time period. This use of the term specifically refers to the short, efficient mass settings composed by Mozart early in his career, whilst serving as court musician in Salzburg under Prince-Archbishop Hieronymus Colloredo. Colloredo preferred shorter worship services, and expected brevity from the mass settings Mozart provided for use in said services. As a result, Mozart composed several masses of the missa brevis type, each one's duration amounting to less than 30 minutes of music. This Kyrie movement comes from his F Major setting, composed in 1774, when he was eighteen years old. It features playful rhythmic and melodic figures, transparent textures, and light interplay between the choral voices.

-Program note by Dan Wessler

Kyrie eleison, Christe eleison, Kyrie eleison.

Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy.

## Wide Open Spaces

Sarah Quartel (b. 1982)

Canadian composer and educator Sarah Quartel is known for her engaging and transformative repertoire. Her compositions have been featured in numerous concerts, commercial recordings and radio broadcasts internationally. As a music educator, she continues to work as a clinician, conductor and music educator.

While it premiered at the 2015 National ACDA conference, *Wide Open Spaces* is another work with a message that resonates deeply in today's world as we struggle to emerge from a global pandemic. Written by the composer, the text of the piece reflects on the journeys and adventures to be found in the wide open spaces within ourselves (an opportunity magnified by pandemic isolation) and in the world around us (an exploration that became restricted through quarantine). The composition itself paints an expansive texture with regard to harmonic structures, melodies, and meter and is a celebration of the journeys we experience both within and outside of ourselves.

There's part of my story, there's part of my song, there's part of my journey, that's yet to be found.

With life all around us, there's so much to see, adventure is calling, it's calling to me. Out in the wide open spaces around me.

With big sky above me, I'm on my way.
Scanning the horizon of a brand new day.
Feet to the earth now, there's no turning back.
Into the world now.

look at me, look at me go!

Out in the wide open spaces around me, out in the wide open spaces around me.

But as I journey out,
I look within and see,
the spaces inside of me,
yet to be filled,
filled with what I have seen
and what I will be, Oh!

I'm filling the wide open spaces inside of me, with something I love, something I would like to be, be, be. Filling the wide open spaces inside of me. Filling the wide open spaces within me.

—Sarah Quartel

## **Earth Song**

Frank Ticheli (b. 1958)

Frank Ticheli's music has been described as "optimistic and thoughtful" (Los Angeles Times). Ticheli is on the faculty of the University of Southern California's Thornton School of Music, where he is Professor of Composition. The musical material for *Earth Song* first appeared in Ticheli's work, *Sanctuary* for wind ensemble, and as his compositional process unfolded, the composer recognized that the musical material was incredibly well-suited for voices. At the time, *Earth Song* and its text (also written by Ticheli) became the composer's response to the Iraq war; he presents an anti-war and anti-violence message—a cry and prayer for peace. Since that time, *Earth Song* has become an anthem for the present day as we endure the effects of climate change. In particular, the piece has gained recognition and popularity in 2020 and 2021, with the increased effects of global warming and particularly, forest fires.

Sing, be, live, see
This dark stormy hour
The wind, it stirs
The scorched Earth cries out in vain
Oh war and power, you blind and blur
The torn heart cries out in pain

But music and singing have been my refuge And music and singing shall be my light A light of song, shining strong Hallelujah, hallelujah Through darkness and pain and strife I'll sing, I'll be, live, see

Peace

-Frank Ticheli

## Bring me little water, Silvy

Moira Smiley (b. 1977)

American folk artist Huddie William Ledbetter, known as Lead Belly, first popularized the song *Bring me little water, Silvy* in 1936. It is unclear whether he wrote it himself or discovered and adapted it, as he was known for both. The song sets the scene of a hot day while the narrator, possibly pausing his work in the field, calls to Silvy to bring water. The shape of the melody lends itself easily to a call, which may have indeed been the origin of the song.

Moira Smiley is an American folk artist, composer, chorister and creative type. She travels the world with her banjo, Hazel, gathering folk songs as she goes and teaching them to others to keep the world's song alive.

-Program note by Jessie Flasschoen Campbell

Bring me little water, Silvy Bring me little water now Bring me little water Silvy Every little once in a while Bring it in a bucket, Silvy Bring it in a bucket now Bring it in a bucket. Silvy Every little once in a while

Silvy come a runnin'
Bucket in her hand
I will bring a little water
Fast as I can
Can't you see me runnin'
Can't you see me now
I will bring a little water
Every little once in a while

## "Introit" from Missa Defunctorum

Jacob Clemens non Papa (c.1510-1555)

Jacob Clemens was a composer born in the Netherlands who spent most of his life in Flanders, following in the footsteps as Renaissance giants Jaqcues Arcadelt and Adrian Willaert. The origin of the nickname Non Papa, "not the Pope" is uncertain, but it has been used to identify him for centuries. An incredibly prolific composer of madrigals, chansons, masses, motets, and magnificats, Clemens was widely respected and popular during his lifetime. The Missa Defunctorum, or Requiem Mass displays an artful combination of variety and continuity. The ascending melody of the Introit, begun by the soprano voice and imitated in all others, gently buoys the listener to a place of peace.

-Program note by Jessie Flasschoen Campbell

Requiem aeternam dona eis, Domine, et lux perpetua luceat eis.

Te decet hymnus, Deus in Sion, et tibi reddetur votum in Jerusalem; exaudi orationem meam, ad te omnis caro veniet.

Requiem aeternam dona eis, Domine, et lux perpetua luceat eis. Eternal rest give to them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

A hymn, O God, becometh Thee in Zion, and a vow shall be paid to Thee in Jerusalem;
O Lord, hear my prayer, all flesh shall come to Thee.

Eternal rest give to them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

## **Locus Iste**

Anton Bruckner (1824-1896)

Anton Bruckner was an Austrian composer, organist ant theorist who was well known for his symphonic, Mass and motet compositions. *Locus Iste* explores chromatic elements and lush harmonies In one of Bruckner's most popular motets. Composed for the dedication of a new cathedral in the year 1869, the text "this place was made by God" builds to climax on text that translates to "this Holy place". An expansive dynamic range complements the beautiful chordal writing he employs in this choral classic.

Locus iste a Deo factus est, inæstimabile sacramentum, irreprehensibilis est.
Deus, cui adestat angelorum chorus, exaudi preces servorum tuorum.

This place was made by God, an invaluable sacrament, it is blameless.

O God, for whom the chorus of angels is present, hear the prayers of your servants.

### I've Been Buked

Hall Johnson (1888-1970)

Hall Johnson was an African American composer who sought to elevate the African American spiritual to an art form, comparable in musical sophistication to the music of Europe. This arrangement chronicles the the life of the enslaved African American peoples as they lamented the scorn with which they had been met. Through all of this, they refused to relinquish the one thing that provided a sense of hope for a better future, their religion.

It is to be noted here, the use of the dialect is as required by the arranger of this traditional spiritual.

'Buked Rebuked

Sho's As sure as

Dere There

Dis This

*Ain'* Ain't

Gwine Going

'Ligion Religion

I've been 'buked an' I've been scorned, (yes)

I've been 'buked an' I've been scorned, children.

I've been 'buked an' I've been scorned.

I've been talked about, sho's you chi born.

Dere is trouble all over dis world, (yes)

Dere is trouble all over dis world, children.

Dere is trouble all over dis world.

Dere is trouble all over dis world.

Ain' gwine to lay my 'ligion down, (no!)

Ain' gwine to lay my 'ligion down, children.

Ain' gwine to lay my 'ligion down.

Ain' gwine to lay my 'ligion down.

### Harvester's Chorus

Jean Berger (1909-2002)

Lilting rhythms and a simple flowing melody sit at the root of this beautiful composition by German-born, American composer Jean Berger. This text set by Berger transports us to the British pastoral scene as townspeople sow their harvest fruit in earnest. Jean Berger served as a member of the music faculty here at CU from 1961-1968 and has an extensive output of mainly choral works. His compositions combine elements of European folk with American melody and rhythms.

All ye, all ye that lovely lovers be, Pray you for me:
Lo, here we come a sowing, a sowing, And sow,
Lo, here we come a sowing, a sowing, And sow sweet fruits of love;
In your sweet hearts well may it prove.

Lo here we come a reaping, we come a reaping, a reaping: To reap our harvest fruits and thus, we pass the year; To reap our harvest fruits and thus, we pass the year, the year so long; and never, and never be we mute.

#### Rosas Pandan

George Hernandez (b. 1956)

Rosas Pandan is a folk song from the Visayan region of the Philippines. It describes a festival of dancing and celebration in which a mysterious and beautiful woman from the mountain—is she a villager? Is she a goddess?—appears and captivates the hearts of all. The alto, tenor and bass lines mimic the stringed instruments often used to accompany music. but the phrase "tiga-a-ding tiga-a-ding" also represents the pounding heartbeats of the villagers in the dance. George Hernandez artfully arranged this exciting work for unaccompanied voices. —Program note by Jessie Flasschoen Campbell

Ania si Rosas Pandan Gikan pa intawon sa kabukiran Kaninyo makiguban-uban Sa gisaulog nga kalingawan Here is Rosas Pandan
Just arrived from the mountains
To be with all of you
To celebrate the fiesta

Balitaw day akong puhunan Maoy kabilin sa akong ginikanan Awit nga labing karaan Awit nga gikan sa kabungturan

Tigading tigading tigading Aya-ay sa akong balitaw Kanindot ba mosayaw Daw yamog ang kabugnaw

Tigadong tigadong tigadong Intawon usab si Dodong Nagtan-aw kang Inday Nagtabisay ang laway

This song is my livelihood
An inheritance from my parents
A most ancient song
The pride of our hill country

Tigading tigading tigading Hey!, my song Is nice to dance to Like fog on a cold day

Tigadong tigadong Look at Dodong He's looking at the young lady His drool is falling

## Ave Maria

Francisco Ibáñez Irribarría (b. 1951)

Composer, Francisco Ibáñez Irribarría is from Álava, one of three provinces located in the Basque Region of northern Spain. His setting of the familiar ageold Ave Maria text embraces a lush, fairly unpredictable, and beautifully-crafted harmonic language, ensuring this setting of the text is not only unique, but exquisite.

Ave, María, grátia plena, Dóminus tecum. Benedicta tu in muliéribus, et benedíctus fructus ventris tui, lesus.

Sancta María, Mater Dei, ora pro nobis peccatoribus nunc et in hora mortis nostrae. Amen. Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

## La Jeune Fille en Feu from Portrait of a Lady on Fire

Jean-Baptiste de Laubier and Arthur Simonini

Portrait of a Lady on Fire, an award-winning 2019 Romance/ Drama film by writer and director Céline Sciamma, is a love story about a painter and her subject, set on a remote island off the coast of France in the 18th century. La Jeune Fille en Feu is about transcending the people and things that hold you down. The liberating qualities of this musical selection are magnified by its placement at the film's halfway point; up until then, there is no soundtrack (or music of significance), and musical sound is otherwise used sparingly throughout the film. The piece starts with voices producing what sounds like the iconic THX swell or 'deep note'—an audio trademark of the film industry from the 1980's—and then moves into a series of chants of the text.

Non possum fugere parvum vident nobis Nos resurgemus.

I can't flee. They see us as small. We will rise.

## **Cantate Domino**

Heinrich Schütz (1585-1672)

Cantate Domino is one of the most famous motets among Cantiones Sacre, a collection of motets set to Latin texts. Heinrich Schütz is one of the most significant composers of the early German Baroque era, and his music was almost exclusively composed for use in the church. Schütz uses an imitative structure from single words and repeats entire phrases that allow listeners to easily follow the song. The use of word-painting is typical of the early Baroque period. Schütz exceptionally employs the text painting manner particularly in melismatic passages sung by three voices to emphasize the meaningful words like Salvavit meaning of salvation. This motet for three voices (a capella) was arranged by Nancy Grundahl, a conductor, composer and voice teacher. This edition was transposed up a major third for comfortable range in a treble choir.

Text:
Cantate Domino
Canticum novum
Quia Mirabilia fecit

Translation: Psalm 98:1
Sing to the LORD a new song
For he hath done marvelous things
His right hand and His holy arm hath

gotten Him the victory.

## Arirang (Korean Folk Song)

arr. Shin-Hwa Park

Arirang is the most famous Korean traditional song and the word "Arirang" means literally rolling hills. The song is arranged by Shin-Hwa Park, who graduated from the choral conducting program at the University of Colorado. He is also a professor in the school of music at the Ewha Women's University, South Korea. The arrangement is set for treble voices unaccompanied and is characterized by plaintive tunes, pentatonic melodic scale typical of Korean traditional music, and profound expressive mood.

Text (Korean):	Text
아리랑 아리랑 아라리요	Arira
아리랑 고개를 넘어간다	Arira
	nom
나를 버리고 가시는 님은	Naru
	nimu
십리도 못가서 발병난다	Shim
	bahll
아리아리 쓰리쓰리	Ari-A
날버리고 떠난님은 발병난다	Nalb
	bahll
날좀보소	Nahl
아리랑 아리랑 아라리요	Arira
아리랑 고개를 넘어간다	Arira
	nom
나를 버리고 가시는 님은	Naru

Text (Arirang):
Arirang Arirang Arariyo
Arirang Gogaerul
nomohgahndah
Narul bohrigo gashenun
nimun
Shimnido motgaso
bahlbyong nandah
Ari-Ari Suri-Suri
Nalborigo donannimun
bahlbyong nandah
Nahljom boso
Arirang Arirang Arariyo
Arirang Gogaerul
nomohgahndah
Narul bohrigo gashenun
nimun
Shimnido motgaso
bahlbyong nandah

Translation: You, my lover, Are going through the Arirang hills alone. If you go away without me, your feet will become so tired and painful that you will be unable to walk the distance required. Ari-Ari, Suri-Suri If you go away without me, your feet will be painful. Look at me my loves as you look at the flower in wintertime.

십리도 못가서 발병난다

### **Tundra**

Ola Gjeilo (b. 1978)

Ola Gjeilo was born in Norway and moved to the United States in 2001 to begin his composition studies at the Juilliard School in New York City. He has, since then, enjoyed a bi-coastal career as a composer and pianist. His piano improvisations over his own published choral pieces have become a trademark of his collaborations across the world. American influences have shaped the composer's distinctive soundworld, developing a style that is often described as cinematic with a lush, harmonious sound.

#### Note from the composer:

The lyrics for *Tundra* were written by Charles Anthony Silvestri, specifically for this work. I asked Tony to write a text based on the title, and some photos of a part of my native Norway that is very dear to me; the Hardangervidda mountain plateau. It's pretty close to where my father grew up, a ski resort town called Geilo, in the mountains between Oslo and Bergen. This area is quite barren, and intensely beautiful. It is easy to feel that you are treading on sacred land, which Tony so wonderfully expresses in his text:

Wide, worn and weathered,
Sacred expanse
Of green and white and granite grey;
Snowy patches strewn,
Anchored to the craggy earth,
Unmoving;
While clouds dance
Across the vast, eternal sky.
— Charles Anthony Silvestri

## "Lament for Pasiphaë" from Mid-Winter Songs

Morten Lauridsen (b. 1943) Poem by Robert Graves

Note from the composer:

"In reading Graves, I became very much taken with the richness, elegance, and extraordinary beauty of his poetry and his insights regarding the human experience. Five diverse poems with a common 'winter' motif (a particular favorite of mine, rich in paradoxical symbolism of dying/rejuvenation, light/darkness, sleeping/waking) suggested a cohesive cycle and led to the composition of *Mid-Winter Songs*." Quoted from 1998 A Study of the Influence of Text in Morten Lauridsen's *Mid-Winter Songs* by Margaret Sue Hulley, Louisiana State University and Agricultural & Mechanical College.

Dying sun, shine warm a little longer!
My eye, dazzled with tears, shall dazzle yours,
Conjuring you to shine and not to move.
You, sun, and I all afternoon have laboured
Beneath a dewless and oppressive cloud—
a fleece now gilded with our common grief
That this must be a night without a moon.
Dying sun, shine warm a little longer!

Faithless she was not: she was very women,
Smiling with dire impartiality,
Sovereign, with heart unmatched, adored of men,
Until Spring's cuckoo with bedraggle plumes
Tempted her pity and her truth betrayed.
Then she who shone for all resigned her being,
And this must be a night without a moon.
Dying sun, shine warm a little longer!

## Voyage Prayer

Kira Zeeman Rugen

"At the heart of this motet *Voyage Prayer* is a humble plea for assistance during our living journey. On our earthly voyage we encounter heavenly vistas, diverse ideas, and deep hope. However, we also face tempests, storms and unseen dangers. Our human experience is filled with love and joy, but also pain and suffering."—*Program note by Kira Zeeman Rugen* 

#### Marian Antiphon

Ave Maria gratia plena,
Dominus tecum,
benedicta tu in mulieribus.
Et benedictus fructus ventris tui,
Jesus.

Hail Mary, full of grace,
The Lord is with you,
Blessed are you among women,
and blessed is the fruit of your womb,
Jesus.

Sancta Maria, Mater Dei, Ora pro nobis peccatoribus, nunc et in hora mortis nostrae, Amen. Holy Mary, mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death, Amen.

## Romancero Gitano

Mario Castelnuovo-Tedesco (1895-1968)

This evening, Chamber Singers presents two movements from Tedesco's *Romancero Gitano* by Italian composer, Mario Castelnuovo-Tedesco. The poems come from Federico García Lorca's literary work with same title; this is a flamenco composition for chorus and guitar, which uses extended metaphors as social commentary on the oppressed life of the Roma population in southern Spain. Tedesco became acquainted with Lorca's work through their mutual friend and composer, Manuel de Falla. Lorca knew de Falla from the Granada Cante Jondo Festival and Tedesco became friends with him after publishing an essay on his compositions. In our first movement, as if it is a "shriek," the choir begins with the terrifying *El puñal* (the dagger) motive; as if extended from the Roma's violent history, the choir pleads, "No! No, do not stab me with it." *Crótalo* or "rattler" (symbolizing both a castanet and snake) is an onomatopoeic title with its own musical motive. Its symmetrical structure creates a sonorous

quality emanating from this movement's center. To this day, the Roma continue to endure an immeasurable amount of persecution; our rehearsals were used to learn about their culture's past and present to elicit a performance that creates awareness.

El puñal
El puñal
Entra en el corazón
como la reja del arado
en el yermo.

No.

No me lo claves.

No.

El puñal Como un rayo de sol, incendia las terribles hondonadas.

No.

No me lo claves.

No.

The Dagger
The dagger
enters the heart
like the blade of the plow in the barren

No.

wasteland.

No, do not stab me with it.

No.

The dagger like a ray of sun, ignites the terrible hollows.

No.

No, do not stab me with it.

No.

CrótaloRattlerCrótaloRattlerCrótaloRattlerCrótaloRattler

escarabajo sonoro sonorous scarab.

En la araña On the spider de la mano. of the hand. Rizas el aire You ruffle the

cálido warm air

y te ahogas en tu trino and choke yourself on your wooded

trill.

Crótalo Rattler
Crótalo Rattler
Crótalo Rattler

escarabajo sonoro. sonorous scarab.

Crótalo. Rattler.

## "Laudate Dominum"

de palo.

## from Vesperae solennes de confessore, K. 339

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756-1791)

Laudate Dominum is scored for a soprano soloist, chorus, and strings. Tonight, we perform this fifth movement from Mozart's Vesperae solennes de confessore with piano. Mozart has two Vesperae solennes: de dominica (1779) and de confessore (1780). Both multimovement works use exuberant Psalm settings for their first three movements. Their fourth movement harkens back to the early Baroque stile antico style, and their sixth movements are boisterous settings of the Magnificat. Laudate Dominum is the fifth movement in both works. De dominica's is a melissmatic soprano solo and de confessore's is far more lyrical with a choral interlude. As you'll hear this evening, each movement concludes with the Gloria Patri text that recapitulates the opening section.

Laudate Dominum omnes gentes
Laudate eum, omnes populi
Quoniam confirmata est
Super nos misericordia eius,
Et veritas Domini manet in aeternum.

Oh praise the Lord all ye nations,
Praise Him, all ye people.
For his loving kindness
has been bestowed upon us. and the truth of the Lord endures forever.

Gloria Patri et Filio et Spiritui Sancto.

Glory be to the Father and to the son and to the Holy Spirit.

Sicut erat in principio, et nunc, et semper.

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be.

Et in saecula saeculorum. Amen.

World without end. Amen.

## Rock-a My Soul

arr. Stacey V. Gibbs (b. 1964)

Rock-a My Soul was first documented by scholar William Francis Allen in his 1867 collaborative collection Slave Songs of the United States—songs gathered by historians Charles Pickard Ware, Lucy McKim Garrison and Williams Francis Allen during and after the Civil War—is the earliest published record of spirituals. Notably recorded by the Golden Gate Jubilee Singers in 1938 (who later became the still active Golden Gate Quartet), this spiritual speaks to the longing for a place of safety and rest.

Rock-a my, yes rock-a my, yes Rock-a my, rock-a my, rock-a my soul, oh Lordy Rockin', rockin', keep a- rocking my soul, hallelujah,

Well, rich man Divies, oh Lord, he lived so well, And when he died, oh he found a home in the pits of hell. He did.

Rock-a my soul in the bosom of Abraham, Lordy, rock my soul.

Well, poor man Laz'rus, poor as you and I, But when he died, yes, he found a home with the Lord on high, He did. Rock-a my soul in the bosom of Abraham, Lordy, rock my soul.

Rock me, Lord, Won't you rock me, Lord?
Oh rock me, Lord, rock me, Lord
Rock-a me, Lord, yes, rock, won't you rock-a my so-o-oul,
Won't you rock me, can't you rock?
Lordy, rock-a my soul

## "Double, Double, Toil and Trouble" from Four Shakespeare Songs

Jakko Mäntyjärvi (b. 1984) Text by William Shakespeare

This witches' incantation conjures foreknowledge for Macbeth, of whether or not he will be struck with a lethal blow in battle in his brutal quest to become King of Scotland. Shakespeare penned the tragedy *Macbeth* (often referred to as "The Scottish Play") during the reign of King James I, sourced from history chronicles of England, Scotland and Ireland. As to this setting of "Double, Double Toil and Trouble," Finnish composer Jaakko Mäntyjärvi's works are complex and historically influenced. He considers himself an eclectic traditionalist, and has composed choral commissions for the Tapiola Chamber Choir, Cork International Choral Festival, Chanticleer and The King's Singers.

Thrice the brinded cat hath mew'd.
Thrice, and once the hedge-pig whin'd.
Harpier cries: 'Tis time, 'tis time.
Double, double toil and trouble,
Round about the cauldron go,
In the poison'd entrails throw:
Toad that under cold stone
Days and nights had thirty-one
Swelter'd venom, sleeping got,
Boil thou first in the charm's pot.
Double, double toil and trouble,
Fire burn and cauldron bubble.

Fillet of a fenny snake
In the cauldron boil and bake
Eye of newt and toe of frog
Wool of bat and tongue of dog
Adder's fork and blindworm's sting
Lizard's leg and owler's wing
For a charm of powerful trouble
Like a hellbroth boil and bubble

Scale of dragon, tooth of wolf, Witches' mummy, maw and gulf Of the ravin'd salt-sea shark, Root of hemlock, digg'd in dark. Liver of noisy gnu, Gall of goat and slips of yew, Sliver'd in the moon's eclipse, Nose of Turk and Tartar's lips, Finger of birth strangl'd babe Ditch deliver'd by a drab. Make the gruel thick and slab. Add thereto a tiger's chaudron For ingredients for our cauldron

By the pricking of my thumbs, Something wicked this way comes, Open locks, whoever knocks.

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<u>Gregory Gentry</u>, conductor <u>Elizabeth Swanson</u>, conductor <u>Andrew Garland</u>, baritone



## Jessie Flasschoen Campbell

Jessie Flasschoen Campbell is a second-year DMA student in choral conducting and literature from University of Colorado Boulder. She received a Master of Music in choral conducting from Portland State University, where she studied with Ethan Sperry and conducted the Thorn Choir. Before moving to Oregon, she was the choir director at Montebello High School in Los Angeles County. She obtained a bachelor's degree in music education from California State University, Long Beach, where she studied with Jonathan Talberg. She loves baking, hiking and photography, and she is passionate about all forms of dance.



## Raul Dominguez

Raul Dominguez is a third year doctoral student at the University of Colorado Boulder; the choral music of the United Mexican States is his primary research focus. Recently, the Cleveland Institute of Music accepted him as a Fellow for their inaugural Future of Music Faculty Fellowship, sponsored by the Sphinx Organization. He is also the founder of the Choral Conductors Colloquium which provides its 900+ subscribers with opportunities to learn from choral music's finest conductors; subscribers are made up of choral musicians representing every continent (except Antarctica) and 54 different countries. He

also holds a Master of Music degree in choral conducting from Ithaca College where he studied with Janet Galván; prior to Ithaca, he was the choir director at Clear Lake HS in his hometown of Houston, TX for four years, and earned Bachelor of Music degrees in vocal performance and music education from Oklahoma City University where he studied with Randi Von Ellefson and Judith Willoughby.



## O'Neil Jones

A Native of Montego Bay, Jamaica, O'Neil Jones has earned a reputation as a baritone soloist and conductor internationally. Having made his debut as a soloist in 2011, he went on to perform the lead role in Jamaica's first operetta, 1865, a role he reprised 3 years later in the country's first full scale opera. As a conductor he is highly interested in choral theater and its amalgamation with the recital style of choral production practiced in the Americas. Jones holds a Master of Music degree with emphases in choral conducting and vocal performance and pedagogy from the University of Southern Mississippi. When not onstage, Jones can be found enjoying a concert, listening to a wide array of musical genres from Mozart to Marley or simply enjoying a day at the beach.



## Jun Young Na

Jun Young Na received his master's degree in choral conducting program from the University of North Texas. He is originally from South Korea and was taught by Hawon Yoon in the choral conducting program at Hanse University. Before moving to the United States, he served as the choir director of Young-do Women's Chorus, a semi-professional choir, and worked as a vice-choir director with the director, Hakwon Yoon at Busan Student Art Choir for Busan Metropolitan City Office of Education in

South Korea. Na is a first-year DMA student in the choral conducting program at CU Boulder and is currently serving as the conductor of a church choir in Denver Korean Christian Church. He is now living in Boulder with his wife, Hyunju, and two children, Miseo and Yeseo.



## Dan Wessler

Dan Wessler holds a bachelor's degree in music education from Bradley University in Peoria, Illinois ('08) and a master's degree in choral conducting from Western Illinois University ('12). He served as director of choral activities at Freeport High School in Freeport, Illinois from 2012-2019. Wessler is also an active barbershop musician; he sings in After Hours, the 2018 International Barbershop Quartet Champion, and has performed with them throughout (and outside) the United States. From 2017 to 2021, he directed the New Tradition Chorus, an awardwinning men's barbershop chorus in Northbrook, Illinois. He has served as clinician for several barbershop chorus festivals, and is also an active barbershop arranger, having produced nearly 100 arrangements for various groups, a number of which have been published by Hal Leonard.

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