VIRTUAL
2020 GREAT LAKES CHAMBER MUSIC FESTIVAL
AUGUST 26-30
Dear Friends,

While I never expected to be welcoming you all to a virtual Great Lakes Chamber Music Festival, I can’t help thinking that, despite the present circumstances, we are privileged to share the gift of great music with an expanded online community. With the generous support of our Festival family, we have been given the extraordinary opportunity to gather with celebrated artists to experience chamber music at its best.

This year has presented all of us with immensely difficult challenges. However, it is possible that these testing times can bring us closer to the beauty and meaning of the music we love. We are thrilled to share with you five days of heart-soaring performances and stimulating dialogues, bringing together our Festival family to celebrate the inspiring artistry of these wonderful musicians.

This year, in addition to being a newly appointed board member, Christine Goerke will return to the Festival, sharing her passion, enthusiasm and extraordinary voice. It’s also a delight to welcome back the multi-talented and engaging violinist and violist Tien-Hsin Cindy Wu. The violinist Tessa Lark, who embraces classical and folk music with equal brilliance, will make her debut at the Festival, alongside the equally versatile bassist and composer Michael Thurber. Also joining us for the first time will be the remarkable pianist Shai Wosner, renowned for the depth and integrity of his music-making, and the Brentano String Quartet, one of the most expressive and imaginative ensembles performing today. My friends and colleagues Gloria Chien and Soovin Kim, newly appointed Artistic Directors of Chamber Music Northwest in Portland, Oregon, have graciously shared a recording of Beethoven piano trios which we made together in Boston. The peerless British actor Samuel West, with whom I have worked many times in the UK, has recorded readings of three poems related to each of the programs which we performed in New York. The Festival will also be featuring two beloved returning ensembles from our Shouse Institute, the Callisto and Ivalas Quartets, and two groups new to our audience, the Rolston and Viano Quartets. They will perform and appear in conversation with Philip Setzer, Director of the Shouse Institute.

I am excited to announce our collaboration with Detroit Chamber Winds & Strings and the Cranbrook Center for Collections and Research for a live, socially distanced performance of John Luther Adams’ “Sila: The Breath of the World.” The piece, inspired by Inuit traditions, is a moving ode to the power that resides in the interplay between music and nature. In short, it is simply breathtaking, both sonically and visually.

As we face these challenging times together, we are determined to continue presenting exceptional chamber music in imaginative formats, either virtual or in person. It is my hope that this Festival will brighten your spirits and celebrate the vibrant community of musicians who are sharing their gifts with us. Whether you are a devoted member of the Festival family or a newcomer to the Great Lakes Chamber Music Festival — Welcome!

Warmly,

Paul Watkins
Artistic Director
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Wagnerian Soprano Christine Goerke has appeared in the major opera houses of the world. She has sung much of the great soprano repertoire, starting with the Mozart and Handel heroines and now earning critical acclaim for the dramatic Strauss and Wagner roles. She has established new roots in Michigan with her position on the Festival’s Board of Directors.

Q: What are you most looking forward to in your first virtual performance?
A: I’m actually looking forward to working with my amazing colleagues on this project, though I’ll admit — I am not too fond of the idea of doing virtual concerts. There is a kind of reciprocal chemistry that exists between the stage and audience that provides the electricity in the room. I have avoided doing most virtual performances for that reason, but the GLCMF is very near and dear to my heart. I wouldn’t have missed a chance to support it!

Q: You collaborate with quite a few artists for these performances—including Paul Watkins, the Brentano String Quartet, and Shai Wosner. How has the pandemic changed your perspective of collaboration?
A: I will definitely say it has reminded me how much artistic collaboration is a part of my soul. I have missed it so desperately. Having the gift of making music with others... it’s not something that I ever thought I’d have to consider my life without, even for a little while. For me, it’s like breathing — having the opportunity to be part of something larger than yourself. It gives us a perspective which seems to be lacking in our world at the moment.

Q: What are you excited for people to see with these performances?
A: I’m hoping people will see that the music, the art, the poetry, the magic... it isn’t gone. We are here, we are presenting it to everyone in the best way we can at the moment — but I hope that the audiences realize that we cannot wait to get back in front of them in person!

Q: This is also your first Festival as a member of our Board of Directors. What are you looking forward to in your new role? How have your expectations for this role changed during the pandemic?
A: I’m so very happy and honored to now be serving on the Board of Directors of the Festival. I am looking forward to working with the other members of the board to serve the music, the community and to help to bring the Festival through this difficult time — emerging stronger and more necessary than ever.

Q: How have you used music to help cope with the challenges of COVID-19?
A: We have all had ups and downs throughout the last few months, I’m sure. On good days? I use music to celebrate. When I’m feeling down? I use music to remind me of what will always be with us. It may seem to be a bit of florid vocabulary, but for me, music represents the eternal. It surpasses the here and now and reminds us that there is more to come.

Q: What keeps you optimistic about the future of chamber music and the Festival?
A: There is an intimacy that is brought into play by chamber music. A magic that allows us to feel as though we are part of a piece, part of a performance. It allows us to breathe emotion. We need that kind of connection. To music, to each other... always.
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 26, 2020 | 11 A.M. EDT
CALLISTO QUARTET— IN CONVERSATION AND PERFORMANCE
Sponsored by Barbara & Paul Goodman

CALLISTO QUARTET: PAUL AGUILAR, violin; RACHEL STENZEL, violin;
EVA KENNEDY, viola; HANNAH MOSES, cello
PHILIP SETZER, Shouse Institute Director

PROGRAM

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart
(1756-91)

String Quartet No. 17 in B-flat major, K. 458
I. Allegro vivace assai

Claude Debussy
(1862-1918)

String Quartet in G minor
III. Andantino, doucement expressif
IV. Très modéré–En animant peu à peu–Très mouvementé et avec passion

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 26, 2020 | 7 P.M. EDT
VISIONS AND REVISIONS
Sponsored by Nancy Duffy in Memory of William Duffy
Performed and recorded at Merkin Concert Hall, Kaufman Music Center in New York

SHAI WOSNER, piano
TESSA LARK, violin
TIEN-HSIN CINDY WU, viola
PAUL WATKINS, cello
BRENTANO STRING QUARTET: MARK STEINBERG, violin; SERENA CANIN, violin; MISHA AMORY, viola; NINA LEE, cello
SAMUEL WEST, reader

PROGRAM

Ludwig van Beethoven
(1770-1827)

12 Variations on “See the conqu’ring hero comes” from Handel’s Judas Maccabeus, WoO45
Watkins, Wosner

Henry Purcell
(1659-95)

Fantasia upon One Note, Z. 745
Wu, Brentano String Quartet

Benjamin Britten
(1913-76)

Lachrymae for viola and piano, Op. 48
Wu, Wosner

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart
(1756-91)

Piano Quartet No. 1 in G minor, K.478
Allegro
Andante
Rondo: Allegro
Wosner, Lark, Wu, Watkins

Text of the reading of T.S. Eliot’s “The Love Song of J. Alfred Prufrock” can be found on pages 16-17 of the program book.
THURSDAY, AUGUST 27, 2020 | 11 A.M. EDT
ROLSTON STRING QUARTET— IN CONVERSATION AND PERFORMANCE
Sponsored by Barbara & Paul Goodman

ROLSTON STRING QUARTET: LURI LEE, violin; JASON ISSOKSON, violin; HEZEKIAH LEUNG, viola; YOSHIKA MASUDA, cello
PHILIP SETZER, Shouse Institute Director

PROGRAM

Edvard Grieg
(1843-1907)

String Quartet No. 1 in G minor, Op. 27
III. Intermezzo: Allegro molto marcato - Più vivo e scherzando

THURSDAY, AUGUST 27, 2020 | 7 P.M. EDT
CHIEN-KIM-WATKINS TRIO PLAYS BEETHOVEN
Sponsored by Joanne & John Carter
Performed and recorded at New England Conservatory of Music in Boston

GLORIA CHIEN, piano
SOOVIN KIM, violin
PAUL WATKINS, cello

PROGRAM

Ludwig van Beethoven
(1770-1827)

Piano Trio in G major, Op. 1, No. 2
Adagio-Allegro vivace
Largo con espressione
Scherzo: Allegro-Trio
Presto

Piano Trio in E-flat Major, Op. 70, No. 2
Poco sostenuto - Allegro ma non troppo
Allegretto
Allegretto ma non troppo
Finale: Allegro

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IVALAS QUARTET: REUBEN KEBEDE, violin; ANITA DUMAR, violin; AIMEE MCANULTY, viola; PEDRO SANCHEZ, cello
PHILIP SETZER, Shouse Institute Director

PROGRAM
Joseph Haydn (1732-1809)  
String Quartet in D major, Op. 71, No. 2  
I. Adagio – Allegro

Jessie Montgomery (b. 1981)  
Strum (2006; revised 2012)

George Walker (1922-2018)  
Lyric for Strings

The Ivalas Quartet’s performance of Lyric for Strings was recorded for the Colorado Music Festival

FRIDAY, AUGUST 28, 2020 | 7 P.M. EDT
MINIATURE MUSIC DRAMAS
Sponsored by Honigman
Performed and recorded at Merkin Concert Hall, Kaufman Music Center in New York

SHAI WOSNER, piano
MISHA AMORY, viola
CHRISTINE GOERKE, soprano
BRENTANO STRING QUARTET: MARK STEINBERG, violin; SERENA CANIN, violin; MISHA AMORY, viola; NINA LEE, cello
SAMUEL WEST, reader

PROGRAM
Matthew Aucoin (b. 1990)  
open the gates! from String Quartet (2019)  
Brentano String Quartet

Ottorino Respighi (1879-1936)  
Il Tramonto  
Goerke, Brentano String Quartet

*See pages 19 and 20 for lyrics

Johannes Brahms (1833-97)  
Two Songs for voice, viola and piano, Op. 91  
Gestilfte Sehnsucht  
Geistliches Wiegenlied  
Goerke, Amory, Wosner

*See pages 21 and 22 for lyrics

Franz Joseph Haydn (1732-1809)  
String Quartet in D major, Op. 17, No. 6  
Presto  
Menuetto  
Largo  
Presto  
Brentano String Quartet

*Text of Percy Bysshe Shelley’s “The Sunset” can be found on pages 19-20 of the program book.
SATURDAY, AUGUST 29, 2020 | 11 A.M. EDT
VIANO STRING QUARTET — IN CONVERSATION AND PERFORMANCE
Sponsored by Barbara & Paul Goodman

VIANO STRING QUARTET: LUCY WANG, violin; HAO ZHOU, violin; AIDEN KANE, viola; TATE ZAWADIUK, cello
PHILIP SETZER, Shouse Institute Director

PROGRAM
Felix Mendelssohn (1809-47)
String Quartet No. 6 in F minor, Op. 80
Allegro vivace assai
Allegro assai
Adagio
Finale: Allegro molto

SATURDAY, AUGUST 29, 2020 | 6 P.M. EDT
SILA: THE BREATH OF THE WORLD
Presented at Cranbrook in partnership with Cranbrook Center for Collections and Research
Sponsored by Betty Blair, Virginia & Michael Geheb, Marguerite Munson Lentz & David Lentz, Margaret Winters & Geoffrey Nathan, Sandra & Claude Reitelman, Kate & Randy Safford and Ann Throop

DOUG PERKINS, Music Director and percussion
JUSTIN EMERICH, trumpet
MICHAEL GAUSE, trumpet
DEREK LOCKHART, trumpet
NEIL MULLER, trumpet
CHARLES SAENZ, trumpet
ROBERT WHITE, trumpet
KRISTI CRAIGO, horn
NATALIE FRITZ, horn
SCOTT STRONG, horn
JOHANNA YARBROUGH, horn
DAVID BINDER, trombone
DAVID JACKSON, trombone
GARTH SIMMONS, trombone
JOHN RUTHERFORD, bass trombone
MATTHEW LYON, tuba

PHIL SINDER, tuba
KEITH ALEO, percussion
IAN ANTONIO, percussion*
JOE BECKER, percussion
SOFIA CARBONARA, percussion*
KEITH CLAEYS, percussion
JEREMY EPP, percussion*
MICHAEL GOULD, percussion*
PETER NICHOLS, percussion*
HOHNER PORTER, percussion*
REED PULEO, percussion*
EMILY SALGADO, percussion*
JONATHAN SMITH, percussion*
JAMES STAGNITTI, percussion*
JONATHAN MASHBURN, percussion*
DANIEL VILA, percussion*

*A special thank you to the performers from the University of Michigan Percussion Ensemble.

PROGRAM
John Luther Adams (b. 1953)
SUNDAY, AUGUST 30, 2020 | 1 P.M. EDT

“THE SINGING WILL NEVER BE DONE”

Sponsored by Josette Silver in Memory of Joel Silver
Performed and recorded at Merkin Concert Hall, Kaufman Music Center in New York

SHAI WOSNER, piano
TESSA LARK, violin
PAUL WATKINS, cello
MICHAEL THURBER, double bass
CHRISTINE GOERKE, soprano
BRENTANO STRING QUARTET: MARK STEINBERG, violin; SERENA CANIN, violin; MISHA AMORY, viola; NINA LEE, cello
SAMUEL WEST, reader

PROGRAM

Johann Sebastian Bach
(1685-1750)

Sonata No. 3 in G minor for viola da gamba and continuo, BWV 1029
Vivace
Adagio
Allegro
Lark, Watkins, Thurber

Tessa Lark/Michael Thurber
(b. 1990)/(b.1986)

Wooden Soldier

Cedar & Sage
Weather Vane
Tumble Time
Lark, Thurber

Jules Massenet
(1842-1912)

*See page 23 for lyrics

Frank Bridge
(1879-1941)

*See page 24 for lyrics

Robert Schumann
(1810-56)

*See page 24 for lyrics

Franz Schubert
(1797-1828)

*Text of the reading of Siegfried Sassoon’s “Everyone Sang” can be found on page 18 of the program book.

Élégie
Goerke, Watkins, Wosner

Where is it that our soul doth go?
Goerke, Watkins, Wosner

Widmung, Op. 25, No. 1
Goerke, Wosner

Adagio from String Quintet in C major, D. 956
Brentano String Quartet, Watkins
PAUL WATKINS
Artistic Director & Cello
Sponsored by Gail & Ira Mondry

Acclaimed for his inspirational performances and eloquent musicianship, Paul Watkins enjoys a remarkably varied and distinguished career as a soloist, chamber musician and conductor. He is the artistic Director of the Great Lakes Chamber Music Festival and in 2019, he was appointed Professor of Cello at the Yale School of Music.

He regularly appears as concerto soloist with orchestras throughout the world. Recent concerto highlights include a BBC Proms appearance performing the world premiere of his brother Huw Watkins’ Cello Concerto, a tour with the European Union Youth Orchestra under the baton of Bernard Haitink, and a tour of Sweden and the UK playing Brahms’ Double Concerto with Lawrence Power and the Västeras Sinfonietta.

A much sought-after chamber musician, Paul was a member of the Nash Ensemble from 1997 until 2013, when he joined the Emerson String Quartet. With the Quartet he has travelled extensively, performing at major international festivals including Tanglewood, Aspen, Ravinia, Edinburgh, Berlin and Evian, and has collaborated with eminent artists such as Emanuel Ax, Yefim Bronfman, Evgeny Kissin, Renée Fleming and Barbara Hannigan. He is a regular guest artist at the Chamber Music Society of Lincoln Center, where he recently performed the complete Beethoven cello sonatas with Alessio Bax.

He has conducted all the major British orchestras and a wide range of international orchestras including the Kristiansand Symphony, Swedish Chamber Orchestra, Vienna Chamber Orchestra, Prague Symphony, Ensemble Orchestral de Paris, Tampere Philharmonic, Netherlands Radio Chamber Philharmonic and the Melbourne Symphony, Queensland and Tokyo Metropolitan Symphony Orchestras. In recent seasons he made his conducting debuts with the Minnesota Orchestra, Detroit Symphony, Omaha Symphony and at the Lake Tahoe Music Festival. He was the first ever Music Director of the English Chamber Orchestra, and also served as Principal Guest Conductor of the Ulster Orchestra from 2009 to 2012.

Watkins has made over 70 recordings, including 18 solo albums for Chandos. Recent critically acclaimed releases include the Walton, Delius, Elgar and Lutoslawski concertos, as well as discs of British and American sonatas with his brother, Huw Watkins. His first recording as a conductor, of the Britten and Berg violin concertos and sonatas with his brother, Huw Watkins’ Cello Concerto, a tour with the European Union Youth Orchestra under the baton of Bernard Haitink, and a tour of Sweden and the UK playing Brahms’ Double Concerto with Lawrence Power and the Västeras Sinfonietta.

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Paul plays on a cello made by Domenico Montagnana and Matteo Goffriller in Venice, c.1730.

PHILIP SETZER
Shouse Institute Director & Violin
Sponsored by Isabel & Lawrence Smith

Violinist Philip Setzer, a founding member of the Emerson String Quartet, was born in Cleveland, Ohio, and began studying violin at the age of five with his parents, both former violinists in the Cleveland Orchestra. He continued his studies with Josef Gingold and Rafael Druian, and later at the Juilliard School with Oscar Shumsky. In 1967, Setzer won second prize at the Marjorie Merriweather Post Competition in Washington, DC, and in 1976 received a Bronze Medal at the Queen Elisabeth International Competition in Brussels. He has since appeared with the National, Memphis, New Mexico, Puerto Rico, Omaha and Anchorage Symphonies, Aspen Chamber Symphony and on several occasions with the Cleveland Orchestra. He has also participated in the Marlboro Music Festival.

Setzer has been a regular faculty member of the Isaac Stern Chamber Music Workshops at Carnegie Hall and the Jerusalem Music Center. His article about those workshops appeared in The New York Times on the occasion of Isaac Stern’s 80th birthday celebration. He also teaches as Distinguished Professor of Violin and Chamber Music at SUNY Stony Brook, and has given master classes at schools around the world, including The Curtis Institute, London’s Royal Academy of Music, The San Francisco Conservatory, UCLA, The Cleveland Institute of Music and The Mannes School. His in-depth appreciation of Shostakovich’s string quartets led to Emerson Quartet’s fruitful theatrical collaborations with Simon McBurney for The Noise of Time and with James Grossman for Shostakovich and the Black Monk: A Russian Fantasy.

Violin: Samuel Zygmuntowicz (NY, 2011)

MISHA AMORY
Viola
Sponsored by Marguerite Munson Lentz & David Lentz

Since winning the 1991 Naumburg Viola Award, Misha Amory has been active as a soloist and chamber musician. He has performed with orchestras in the United States and Europe and has been presented in recital at New York’s Tully Hall, Los Angeles’ Ambassador series, Philadelphia’s Mozart on the Square festival, Boston’s Gardner Museum, Houston’s Da Camera series and Washington’s Phillips Collection. He has been invited to perform at the Marlboro Festival, the Seattle Chamber Music Festival, the Vancouver Festival, the Chamber Music Society at Lincoln Center and the Boston Chamber Music Society. He has also released a recording of Hindemith sonatas on the Musical Heritage Society label. Amory holds degrees from Yale University and the Juilliard School; his principal teachers were Heidi Castleman, Caroline Levine and Samuel Rhodes. As a dedicated teacher, Amory serves on the faculties of the Juilliard School in New York City and the Curtis Institute in Philadelphia.

GLORIA CHIEN
Piano | Eugene Istomin Endowed Piano Chair

Taiwanese-born pianist Gloria Chien has a diverse musical life as a noted performer, concert presenter, and educator. She was selected by the Boston Globe as one of its Superior Pianists of the year. She made her orchestral debut at age 16 with the Boston Symphony Orchestra with Thomas Dausgaard, and performed again with the BSO with Keith Lockhart. In recent

Goerke has also appeared with a number of the leading orchestras including the New York Philharmonic Orchestra, Boston Symphony Orchestra, Chicago Symphony Orchestra, Cleveland Orchestra, Los Angeles Philharmonic, National Symphony Orchestra, Radio Vara (at the Concertgebouw), Sydney Symphony and the BBC Symphony Orchestra at the BBC Proms. She has worked with some of the world’s foremost conductors including James Conlon, Sir Andrew Davies, Sir Mark Elder, Christoph Eschenbach, Claus Peter Flor, James Levine, Sir Charles Mackerras, Kurt Masur, Zubin Mehta, Andris Nelsons, and Seiji Ozawa.

Her recording of Vaughan Williams’ A Sea Symphony with Robert Spano and the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra won the 2003 Grammy Award for Best Classical Recording and Best Choral Performance. Her close association with Robert Shaw yielded several recordings including the Grammy-nominated recording of Dvorak’s Stabat Mater. Goerke was the recipient of the 2001 Richard Tucker Award, the 2015 Musical America Vocalist of the Year Award and the 2017 Opera News Award.

SOOVIN KIM
Violin | Paul Katz Chair in Memory of Morris D. Baker

Korean-American violinist Soovin Kim is an exciting player who has built on the early successes of his prize-winning years to emerge as a mature and communicative artist. After winning first prize at the Niccolò Paganini International Competition, Kim was recipient of the prestigious Borletti-Buitoni Trust Award, an Avery Fisher Career Grant, and the Henryk Szeryng Foundation Career Award. Today he enjoys a broad musical career, regularly performing repertoire such as Bach sonatas and Paganini caprices for solo violin, sonatas for violin and piano by Beethoven, Brahms, and Ives, string quartets, Mozart and Haydn concertos and symphonies as a conductor, and new world-premiere works almost every season.

For 20 years, Soovin Kim was the 1st violinist of the Johannes String Quartet. He maintains a close relationship with the famed Marlboro Festival where he regularly spends his summers, and founded the Lake Champlain Chamber Music Festival in Burlington, VT in 2009. In May 2015, he received an honorary doctorate degree from the University of Vermont in recognition of his contributions to the community. Kim has been on the faculties of Stony Brook University and the Peabody Institute, and now teaches exclusively at the New England Conservatory in Boston. In Korea he is well-known as a member of MIK, his ground-breaking piano quartet ensemble. He recently launched the Chien-Kim-Watkins Trio with his wife, pianist Gloria Chien, and cellist Paul Watkins.

TESSA LARK
Violin
Sponsored by Martha Pleiss

Violinist Tessa Lark is one of the most captivating artistic voices of our time. A 2020 GRAMMY nominee in the “Best Classical Instrumental Solo” category, recipient of a 2018 Borletti-Buitoni Trust Fellowship and a 2016 Avery Fisher Career Grant, Silver Medalist in the 9th Quadrennial International Violin Competition of Indianapolis, and winner of the 2012 Naumburg International Violin Competition, she has consistently been praised by critics and audiences for her astounding range of sounds, technical agility, and musical elegance. A budding superstar in the classical realm, she is also a highly acclaimed fliddler in the tradition of her native Kentucky, delighting audiences with programming that includes Appalachian and bluegrass music and inspiring composers to write for her. Lark has been a featured soloist at numerous U.S. orchestras since making her concerto debut with the Cincinnati Symphony.
Orchestra at age sixteen. She performed at Carnegie Hall’s Weill Recital Hall in 2017 on Carnegie’s Distinctive Debut series, and again the following year as part of APAP’s Young Performers Career Advancement showcase. Lark has appeared at such venues as Amsterdam’s Concertgebouw, the Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum in Boston, the Perot Music Program, San Francisco Performances, Dame Myra Hess Memorial Concerts, Ravinia’s Bennett-Gordon Classics series, Troy Chromatic Concerts, Chamber Music Tulsa, Caramoor’s Wednesday Morning Concerts, the Seattle Chamber Music Society, Australia’s Musica Viva Festival, and the Marlboro, Yellow Barn, Olympic, Bridgehampton, and Music@Menlo festivals.

In addition to her busy performance schedule, Lark has served on the faculty of the Great Wall International Music Academy in Beijing. She is an alumna of NPR’s From the Top, the premier radio showcase for the nation’s most talented young musicians, and was recently selected as a co-host of that program beginning in the 2020-21 season. Lark plays a ca.1600 G.P. Maggini violin on loan from an anonymous donor through the Stradivari Society of Chicago.

MICHAEL THURBER
Double Boss
Sponsored by Jaffe Ratt Heuer & Weiss

Acclaimed composer Michael Thurber’s musical career defies categorization. From composing for The Royal Shakespeare Company and co-founding the smash YouTube channel CDZA, to creating his Thurber Theater variety show at Joe’s Pub, teaching at NYU’s Clive Davis Institute and performing in the house band on “The Late Show with Stephen Colbert” as well as around the country in duo with violinist Tessa Lark, Thurber’s musical journey has been remarkably singular.

As a theater composer & lyricist, Thurber made his international debut with his score of Antony and Cleopatra, a co-production between The Royal Shakespeare Company (Stratford, UK) and The Public Theater (NY, NY) directed by Oscar winner Tarell McCraney. He has since written numerous scores for The Public Theater, Manhattan Theater Club and has developed original musicals with Tessa Lark, The Eugene O’Neill Theater Center (CT), Joe’s Pub (NYC), The Kimmel Center (PA), Williamstown Theater Festival (MA), SPACE At Ryder Farm (NY) and Theater Latte Da (MN). His one-man musical, “The Booty Call”, ran for five weeks Off-Broadway at the TG Theater in 2016. Thurber’s concert music has been performed by orchestras around the country including The Louisville Orchestra, The Williamsburg Symphony, The Evansville Philharmonic and The Interlochen Arts Academy Orchestra. His work has been commissioned by such esteemed institutions as NPR’s “From The Top”, The International Horn Society and Elisa Monte Dance.

SAMUEL WEST
Reader
Sponsored by Linda & Maurice Binkow and Corliss & Jerry Rosenberg

Samuel West is an actor and director. He’s played Hamlet and Richard II for the Royal Shakespeare Company, Jeffrey Skilling in Enron in the West End, and the voice of Pongo in Disney’s 101 Dalmatians. II. On television he’s been seen in The Crown, Cambridge Spies, Jonathan Strange and Mr Norrell, four series of Mr Selfridge and The Chronicles of Narnia. He plays Siegfried Farnon in the new adaptation of All Creatures Great and Small, coming in September 2020. His performance in the film Howards End was nominated for a BAFTA award. Other films include Darkest Hour, Suffragette, On Chesil Beach, Van Helsing, Franco Zeffirelli’s Jane Eyre and three for director Roger Michell: Notting Hill, Persuasion and Hyde Park on Hudson.

Sam enjoys working with musicians, and as a reciter has appeared with all the major British orchestras. He has toured the West Bank three times with the Choir of London and directed The Magic Flute for the Palestine Mozart Festival. In 2002, he performed Walton’s Henry V at the Last Night of the Proms. He has also narrated many documentaries and more than 100 audiobooks. On the radio, he has been in plays by Pinter, Coward, Frayn, Stoppard, Simon Gray and his partner Laura Wade.

Sam has directed 13 plays and two operas. From 2005 to 2007, he was the artistic director of Sheffield Theatres, where he revived The Romans in Britain. His production of Laura Wade’s The Warsons will transfer to the West End. He is an Associate Artist of the Royal Shakespeare Company and Chair of the National Campaign for the Arts.

SHAI WOSNER
Piano
Sponsored by Franziska Schoenfeld

Pianist Shai Wosner has attracted international recognition for his exceptional artistry, musical integrity and creative insight. His performances of a broad range of repertoire—from Beethoven and Schubert to Ligeti and the music of today—reflect a degree of virtuosity and intellectual curiosity that has made him a favorite among audiences and critics, who note his “keen musical mind and deep musical soul” (NPR’s All Things Considered). Described as a “Schubertian of unfaltering authority and character” by Gramophone, Wosner continues his career-long, critically acclaimed engagement with the composer’s music by devoting his newest album on Onyx Classics to four of Schubert’s late sonatas. This double album completes Wosner’s recorded series of the composer’s last six sonatas. Wosner has also performed cycles of the six final sonatas as part of his recital series Schubert: The Great Sonatas in America and Europe and three for director Roger Michell: Mr Selfridge, Mr Norrell and The Romans in Britain, his production of Laura Wade’s The Warsons will transfer to the West End. He is an Associate Artist of the Royal Shakespeare Company and Chair of the National Campaign for the Arts.

Wosner is a recipient of Lincoln Center’s Martin E. Segal Award, an Avery Fisher Career Grant and a Borletti-Buitoni Trust Award—a prize he used to commission Michael Hersch’s concerto Along the Ravines, which he performed with the Seattle Symphony and Deutsche Radio Philharmonie in its world and European premieres. He was in residence with the BBC as a New Generation Artist, during which he appeared frequently with the BBC orchestras, including conducting Mozart concertos from the keyboard with the BBC Scottish Symphony Orchestra. As a concerto soloist in North America, Wosner has appeared with the major orchestras of Atlanta, Baltimore, Berkeley, Chicago, Cleveland, Dallas, Indianapolis, Los Angeles, Milwaukee, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, Ottawa, San Francisco and Toronto, among others. In addition to the BBC orchestras, he has performed abroad with the
Aurora Orchestra, Barcelona Symphony, Bournemouth Symphony, Frankfurt Radio Symphony, Gothenburg Symphony, LSO St. Luke’s, Nieuw Sinfonietta Amsterdam, Orchestre National de Belgique, Staatskapelle Berlin and the Vienna Philharmonic, among others. Born in Israel, Wosner enjoyed a broad musical education from a very early age, studying piano with Opher Brayer and Emanuel Krasovsky, as well as composition, theory and improvisation with André Hajdu. He later studied at The Juilliard School with Emanuel Ax.

**TIEN-HSIN CINDY WU**

**Violin**

Sponsored by Beverly Baker & Edward Treisman

Praised by the *Seattle Times* as “Simply marvelous” and Taiwan’s *Liberty Times* for “astonishingly capturing the spirit of the music,” violinist Tien-Hsin Cindy Wu enjoys a versatile career as a soloist, chamber musician and educator throughout North and South America, Europe and Asia. Spotlighted by Marie Claire Taiwan’s 2004 September issue “Young Power”, Wu has been featured as a soloist with orchestras such as the National Symphony Orchestra of Taiwan, the Odessa Philharmonic Orchestra and the Russian State Symphony Orchestra. Renowned artists with whom she has collaborated in concerts include Yeilm Bronfman, Gary Graffman, Lynn Harrell, Leila Josefowicz, Kim Kashkashian, Ari and Ida Kavafian, Cho-Liang Lin, Anthony Marwood, Midori, Thomas Quasthoff, Wuja Wang and members of the Alban Berg, Brentano, Cleveland, Emerson, Guarneri, Miró and Tokyo string quartets. She frequently performs at the world’s most prominent venues such as the Kennedy Center, Library of Congress, Carnegie Hall, Lincoln Center, Metropolitan Museum of Art, Deutsches Theater München, the National Concert Hall of Taiwan and festivals such as Bridgehampton Chamber Music Festival, Great Lakes Chamber Music Festival, La Jolla Summerfest, Mainly Mozart, the Marlboro Music Festival and Santa Fe Chamber Music Festival. She has also collaborated as a guest violinist with Dover, Formosa, Johannes, Orion and Shanghai quartets. She is a recipient of many awards including the Milka Violin Artist Prize from the Curtis Institute of Music and third prize at the International Violin Competition of David Oistrakh. Wu is currently the Artist-in-Residence and Artistic Partner of the Da Camera Society in Los Angeles, and the Associate Director of New Asia Chamber Music Society. She plays on a 1734 Domenico Montagnana violin, 1918 Stefano Scarampella violin and a 2015 Stanley Kiernoziak viola.

**BRENTANO STRING QUARTET**

Sponsored by David Nathanson

Mark Steinberg, violin | Sponsored by Aviva & Dean Friedman
Serena Canin, violin | Henry Meyer Endowed Violin Chair
Misha Amory, viola | Sponsored by Marguerite Munson Lentz & David Lentz
Nina Lee, cello | Sponsored by Cindy & Harold Daitch

Since its inception in 1992, the Brentano String Quartet has appeared throughout the world to popular and critical acclaim. “Passionate, uninhibited and spellbinding,” raves the *London Independent*; the *New York Times* extols its “luxuriously warm sound (and) yearning lyricism”; the *Philadelphia Inquirer* praises its “seemingly infallible instincts for finding the center of gravity in every phrase and musical gesture”; and the *Times* (London) opines, “the Brentanos are a magnificent string quartet…This was wonderful, selfless music-making.” Within a few years of its formation, the Quartet garnered the first Cleveland Quartet Award and the Naumburg Chamber Music Award. In 1996, the Chamber Music Society of Lincoln Center invited them to be the inaugural members of Chamber Music Society Two, a program which was to become a coveted distinction for chamber groups and individuals. The Quartet had its first European tour in 1997 and was honored in the U.K. with the Royal Philharmonic Award for Most Outstanding Debut.

The Quartet has appeared all over the United States and Canada, in Europe, Japan and Australia. It has performed in the world’s most prestigious venues, including Carnegie Hall and Alice Tully Hall in New York; the Library of Congress in Washington; the Concertgebouw in Amsterdam; the Konzerthaus in Vienna; Suntory Hall in Tokyo; and the Sydney Opera House. The Quartet has participated in summer festivals such as Aspen, the Music Academy of the West in Santa Barbara, the Edinburgh Festival, the Kuhmo Festival in Finland, the Taos School of Music and the Caramoor Festival. In the fall of 2014, the Quartet became the Resident String Quartet at the Yale School of Music, succeeding the Tokyo Quartet in that position. The Quartet is named for Antonie Brentano, whom many scholars consider to be Beethoven’s “Immortal Beloved”, the intended recipient of his famous love confession.

**DETOUR CHAMBER WINDS & STRINGS**

Host Ensemble

Since its founding in 1982, Detroit Chamber Winds & Strings has set the standard for chamber music in Detroit. By bringing together many of the top musicians from the metro area, most of whom are members of top local orchestras and key university faculty, DCWS immerses audiences in chamber music experiences that are innovative, entertaining and unsurpassed anywhere in the region.

With chamber music as its foundation, DCWS’ mission has evolved to address the ever-changing Detroit arts landscape. Over 40 new works have premiered through the organization. Five compact discs have been released. Tours have stretched as far as Switzerland. Music education impacts youth starting in Pre-K through college. Now in its 39th season, DCWS offers three distinct concert series to engage audiences across metro Detroit. The “Signature” series is their most traditional take on chamber concerts and offers performances in lovely venues mainly in the suburbs. The “Nightnotes” series includes six eclectic concerts at Hagopian World of Rugs in Birmingham and expanded more recently into Detroit. The newest series, “Structurally Sound,” gives DCWS musicians the opportunity to create programming inspired by historically and/or architecturally significant Detroit spaces.

DCWS has also pioneered a unique model for arts management over the past 20+ years. ArtOps is a wholly-owned LLC of DCWS and currently serves 11 other arts nonprofits and three original programs to share administrative services, staff, and technology.
CALLISTO QUARTET
Sponsored by Jill & Steven Stone

Praised for their “intensity and bravado” and the “cohesion and intonation one might expect from an ensemble twice their age” (Third Coast Review), the Callisto Quartet brings together four dedicated and passionate musicians who share a love for chamber music and a true desire for excellence. Since their formation in 2016 at the Cleveland Institute of Music, the quartet has quickly garnered top prizes in nearly every major international chamber music competition and has been hailed by audiences across North America and Europe. They were Grand prize winners of the 2018 Fischoff National Chamber Music Competition and Second Prize Winners of the 2019 Banff International String Quartet Competition. Currently serving as the Graduate String Quartet in Residence at the Shepherd School of Music at Rice University, the Callisto Quartet also studies with Günter Pichler of the Alban Berg Quartet at the prestigious Escuela Superior de Música Reina Sofia in Madrid, Spain.

The quartet has participated and performed in many renowned chamber music festivals, including the La Jolla Music Society Summerfest, the Norfolk Chamber Music Festival, the McGill International String Quartet Academy, the Juilliard String Quartet Seminar, and the Robert Mann String Quartet Seminar. They were also featured in Carnegie’s Weill Recital Hall in July 2019 as Grand Prize winners of the 4th Manhattan International Music Competition Chamber Music Division. The Callisto Quartet has served as faculty and given masterclasses at numerous schools and festivals including the Bravo International Chamber Music Workshop, University of Central Florida, Midwest Young Artists Conservatory, the Greenville Fine Arts Center, and the CIM Preparatory Division.

IVALAS QUARTET
Sponsored by Kathleen O’Toole Schein & Randolph Schein

Founded in Ann Arbor in 2016, the Ivalas Quartet is composed of violinists Reuben Kebede and Anita Dumar, violist Aimée McAnulty, and cellist Pedro Sánchez. Currently the quartet serves as the Graduate Quartet in residence at The University of Colorado - Boulder where they study under the renowned Takács Quartet. Ivalas has performed with artists such as the Calidore String Quartet, Imani Winds, Danielle Belen, David Ying, and Patricia Terry-Ross. In January 2020 they had their Carnegie Hall debut when they participated as a young artist at the 2020 APAP conference in NYC. The quartet has also been heard on WRCJ 90.9 FM’s Classical Brunch series and appeared at the inaugural Detroit Music Weekend. Maintaining their commitment to community engagement, Ivalas has also represented the Sphinx Organization playing for students in Flint and the Metro Detroit area. The quartet has been awarded first prize in the 2019 WDAV Young Artists Chamber Music Competition as well as first prize in the 2018 Briggs Chamber Music Competition and was named a semifinalist group at both the M-Prize competition and Concert Artists Guild competition in New York. Ivalas has been a fellowship quartet at festivals such as the Aspen Music Festival and School, Bowdoin International Music Festival, Great Lakes Chamber Music Festival, Colorado Music Festival, Crested Butte Music Festival and the Anchorage Chamber Music Festival. Ivalas has been coached by members of the Emerson, Pacifica, American, Escher, Calidore, Brentano, St. Lawrence, Ying, Turtle Island, and Jupiter string quartets, as well as Paul Katz, Jeffrey Zeigler, Mikhail Kopeiman, Kirsten Docter, Richard Aaron, Danielle Belen, Stephen Shipps, Meta Weiss, Erika Eckert, Andrew Jennings and Kathryn Votapek.

ROLSTON STRING QUARTET
Sponsored by Adrienne Ruby-Fink & Herschel Fink

With their debut recording of “Souvenirs” (a November 2019 release), Canada’s Rolston String Quartet continues to receive acclaim and recognition for their musical excellence. As the 2018 recipient and first international ensemble chosen for the prestigious Cleveland Quartet Award from Chamber Music America, their accolades and awards precede them. In 2016, they won First Prize at the 12th Banff International String Quartet Competition, Grand Prize at the 31st Chamber Music Yellow Springs Competition and Astral’s National Auditions. Recent highlights include debut performances at Carnegie Hall, Wigmore Hall, The Frerer Gallery and Chamber Music Houston. They also had two major Canadian tours under the Prairie Debut and Debut Atlantic touring networks, and three European tours with dates in Leipzig, Berlin, Lucerne, Heidelberg, Barcelona and Graz, among others.

Notable collaborations include performances with renowned artists Janina Fialkowska, Gary Hoffman, Nobuko Imai, Miguel da Silva and David Shifrin, as well as the St. Lawrence and Dover Quartets. The Quartet are associated artists at the Queen Elizabeth Music Chapel and completed a two-year term as the Yale School of Music’s fellowship quartet-in-residence in spring 2019. They have taught at the Yale School of Music, University of Toronto and the Bowdoin International Music Festival. Primary mentors include the Brentano Quartet, James Dunham, Norman Fischer and Kenneth Goldsmith.

The Rolston String Quartet was formed in the summer of 2013 at the Banff Centre for Arts and Creativity’s Chamber Music Residency. They take their name from Canadian violinist Thomas Rolston, founder and long-time director of the Music and Sound Programs at the Banff Centre. All of the members are graduates of The Glenn Gould School. Luri Lee plays a Carlo Tononi violin, generously on loan from Shauna Rolston Shaw. The Rolston String Quartet is endorsed by Jargar Strings of Denmark.
VIANO STRING QUARTET
Beverly Franzblau Baker Young Artist Chair

Praised for their “huge range of dynamics, massive sound and spontaneity” (American Record Guide), the Viano String Quartet are First Prize winners of the 2019 Banff International String Quartet Competition. Formed in 2015 at the Colburn Conservatory of Music in Los Angeles (and where they are Ensemble in Residence through the 2020-21 season), the quartet has performed in venues such as Wigmore Hall, Segerstrom Center for the Arts, SOKA Performing Arts Center and the Cerritos Center for Performing Arts. The Viano String Quartet has performed with world-class musicians such as pianists Emanuel Ax and Eliso Virsaladze, violinist Martin Beaver and vocalist Hila Plitmann. They have performed in Los Angeles for the South Bay Chamber Music Society and the Colburn Chamber Music Society; in Marquette, Michigan for the Siril Concert Series; and with NPR host Rob Kapilow on his “What Makes it Great?” Series.

The quartet received the Grand Prize at the 2019 ENKOR International Music Competition and second prize at the 2019 Yellow Springs Chamber Music Competition. At the 2018 Wigmore Hall International String Quartet Competition they received Third Prize, the Haydn Prize for the best performance of a Haydn quartet and the Sidney Griller Award for the best performance of the compulsory work, Thomas Ades’ “The Four Quarters”. They received the Silver Medal at the 2018 Fischoff National Chamber Music Competition and Third Prize at the 9th Osaka International Chamber Music Competition in 2017. Committed to engaging with children and communities outside the concert hall, the Viano String Quartet has given presentations for school children and students of all ages through residencies in Bellingham, Washington, Northern Michigan University, the Santa Monica Conservatory and the Colburn School.

The name “Viano” was created to describe the four individual instruments in a string quartet interacting as one. Each of the four instruments begins with the letter “v”, and like a piano, all the strings working together as a string quartet, play both harmony and melody, creating a unified instrument, called the “Viano”.

SHOUSE ENSEMBLES

ABOUT THE SHOUSE INSTITUTE

The Catherine Filene Shouse Institute began in 1997 and has since become the Festival’s major educational program, helping young chamber ensembles bridge the gap between graduate school and their careers. Four participating ensembles annually benefit from professional development activities like coachings, main stage concert appearances, performances with senior Festival artists and special audience engagement events. Led by Director Philip Setzer, the Shouse Institute’s guiding principle is anchored in offering unique and invaluable learning opportunities for young artists at an important transition in their lives.

The program has welcomed alumni like the Pacifica, Parker, Jasper, Attacca, and Catalyst Quartets, Calidore String Quartet, Delphi Trio, City of Tomorrow and Donald Sinta (Saxophone) Quartet. Many have gone on to international careers, winning prizes like Grammy, Naumberg, Fischoff, and the $100,000 M Prize. In 2014, the Festival began a partnership with the Sphinx Organization to host an alumni ensemble as part of Shouse and has since hosted five winds or strings groups and one individual cellist.

The Shouse Institute is supported in part by the National Endowment for the Arts.
Visions and Revisions Program

The Love Song of J. Alfred Prufrock
By T.S. Eliot (1888-1965)

(Originally published in the June 1915 issue of Poetry Magazine)

S’io credesse che mia risposta fosse A persona che mai tornasse al mondo, Questa fiamma staria senza più scosse. Ma perciò che giammai di questo fondo Non torno vivo alcun, s’i’odo il vero, Senza terna d’infamia ti rispondo.

Let us go then, you and I,
When the evening is spread out against the sky Like a patient etherized upon a table;
Let us go, through certain half-deserted streets, The muttering retreats
Of restless nights in one-night cheap hotels And sawdust restaurants with oyster-shells:
Streets that follow like a tedious argument Of insidious intent
To lead you to an overwhelming question ...
Oh, do not ask, “What is it?”
Let us go and make our visit.

In the room the women come and go
Talking of Michelangelo.

The yellow fog that rubs its back upon the window-panes, The yellow smoke that rubs its muzzle on the window-panes, Licked its tongue into the corners of the evening, Lingered upon the pools that stand in drains, Let fall upon its back the soot that falls from chimneys, Slipped by the terrace, made a sudden leap, And seeing that it was a soft October night, Curled once about the house, and fell asleep.

And indeed there will be time
For the yellow smoke that slides along the street, Rubbing its back upon the window-panes;
There will be time, there will be time
To prepare a face to meet the faces that you meet;
There will be time to murder and create,
And time for all the works and days of hands
That lift and drop a question on your plate;

Time for you and time for me,
And time yet for a hundred indecisions,
And for a hundred visions and revisions,
Before the taking of a toast and tea.

In the room the women come and go
Talking of Michelangelo.

And indeed there will be time
To wonder, “Do I dare?” and, “Do I dare?”
Time to turn back and descend the stair,
With a bald spot in the middle of my hair —
(They will say: “How his hair is growing thin!”)
My morning coat, my collar mounting firmly to the chin,
My necktie rich and modest, but asserted by a simple pin —
(They will say: “But how his arms and legs are thin!”)
Do I dare
Disturb the universe?
In a minute there is time
For decisions and revisions which a minute will reverse.

For I have known them all already, known them all:
Have known the evenings, mornings, afternoons,
I have measured out my life with coffee spoons;
I know the voices dying with a dying fall Beneath the music from a farther room.
So how should I presume?

And I have known the eyes already, known them all—
The eyes that fix you in a formulated phrase,
And when I am formulated, sprawling on a pin,
When I am pinned and wriggling on the wall,
Then how should I begin
To spit out all the butt-ends of my days and ways?
And how should I presume?

And I have known the arms already, known them all—
Arms that are braceleted and white and bare
(But in the lamplight, downed with light brown hair!)
Is it perfume from a dress
That makes me so digress?

Arms that lie along a table, or wrap about a shawl.
And should I then presume?
And how should I begin?
Shall I say, I have gone at dusk through narrow streets
And watched the smoke that rises from the pipes
Of lonely men in shirt-sleeves, leaning out of windows? ...

I should have been a pair of ragged claws
Scuttling across the floors of silent seas.

And the afternoon, the evening, sleeps so peacefully!
Smoothed by long fingers,
Asleep ... tired ... or it malingers,
Stretched on the floor, here beside you and me.

Should I, after tea and cakes and ices,
Have the strength to force the moment to its crisis?
But though I have wept and fasted, wept and prayed,
Though I have seen my head (grown slightly bald) brought in upon a platter,
I am no prophet — and here’s no great matter;
I have seen the moment of my greatness flicker,
And I have seen the eternal Footman hold my coat, and snicker,
And in short, I was afraid.

And would it have been worth it, after all,
After the cups, the marmalade, the tea,
Among the porcelain, among some talk of you and me,
Would it have been worth while,
To have bitten off the matter with a smile,
To have squeezed the universe into a ball
To roll it towards some overwhelming question,
To say: “I am Lazarus, come from the dead,
Come back to tell you all, I shall tell you all”—
If one, settling a pillow by her head
Should say: “That is not what I meant at all;
That is not it, at all.”

And would it have been worth it, after all,
Would it have been worth while,
After the sunsets and the dooryards and the sprinkled streets,
After the novels, after the teacups, after the skirts that trail along the floor—
And this, and so much more?—
It is impossible to say just what I mean!
But as if a magic lantern threw the nerves in patterns on a screen:
Would it have been worth while
If one, settling a pillow or throwing off a shawl,
And turning toward the window, should say:
“That is not it at all,
That is not what I meant, at all.”

No! I am not Prince Hamlet, nor was meant to be;
Am an attendant lord, one that will do
To swell a progress, start a scene or two,
Advise the prince; no doubt, an easy tool,
Deferential, glad to be of use,
Politic, cautious, and meticulous;
Full of high sentence, but a bit obtuse;
At times, indeed, almost ridiculous—
Almost, at times, the Fool.

I grow old ... I grow old ...
I shall wear the bottoms of my trousers rolled.

Shall I part my hair behind? Do I dare to eat a peach?
I shall wear white flannel trousers, and walk upon the beach.
I have heard the mermaids singing, each to each.

I do not think that they will sing to me.

I have seen them riding seaward on the waves
Combing the white hair of the waves blown back
When the wind blows the water white and black.
We have lingered in the chambers of the sea
By sea-girts wreathed with seaweed red and brown
Till human voices wake us, and we drown.

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“the singing will never be done” Program

Everyone Sang
By Siegfried Sassoon (1886-1967)
(Originally published in 1919)

Everyone suddenly burst out singing;
And I was filled with such delight
As prisoned birds must find in freedom,
Winging wildly across the white
Orchards and dark-green fields; on - on - and out of sight.

Everyone’s voice was suddenly lifted;
And beauty came like the setting sun:
My heart was shaken with tears; and horror
Drifted away ... O, but Everyone
Was a bird; and the song was wordless; the singing will never be done.

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**Miniature Music Dramas Program**

**Ottorino Respighi: Il Tramonto**
(1879-1936)

**Il Tramonto**

Già v’ebbe un uomo, nel cui tenue spirto
(qual luce e vento in delicata nube
che ardente ciel di mezzo-giorno stempri)
là morte e il genio contendeano. Oh! quanta tenera gioia,
che gli fè il respiro venir meno
(cosi dell’aura estiva l’ansia talvolta)
quando la sua dama, che allor solo conobbe l’abbandono pieno e il concorde palpitar di due creature che s’amano,
egli addusse pei sentieri d’un campo,
ad oriente da una foresta biancheggiante ombrato
ed a ponente discovertro al cielol!
Ora è sommerso il sole; ma linee d’oro
pendon sovra le cineree nubi,
sul verde piano sui tremanti fiori
sui grigi globi dell’ antico smirnio,
e i neri boschi avvolgono,
del vespro mescolandosi alle ombre.
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**The Sunset**

There late was One within whose subtle being,
As light and wind within some delicate cloud
That fades amid the blue noon’s burning sky,
Genius and death contended. None may know
The sweetness of the joy which made his breath
Fail, like the trances of the summer air,
When, with the lady of his love, who then
First knew the unreserve of mingled being,
He walked along the pathway of a field
Which to the east a hoar wood shadowed o’er,
But to the west was open to the sky.
There now the sun had sunk, but lines of gold
Hung on the ashen clouds, and on the points
Of the far level grass and nodding flowers
And the old dandelion’s hoary beard,
And, mingled with the shades of twilight, lay
On the brown massy woods - and in the east
The broad and burning moon lingeringly rose
Between the black trunks of the crowded trees,
While the faint stars were gathering overhead.
“Is it not strange, Isabel,” said the youth,
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Il giovin e la dama giacquer tra il sonno e il dolce amor congiunti ne la notte: al mattin gelido e morto ella trovò l’amante. Oh! nessun creda che, vibrando tal colpo, fu il Signore misericorde. Non morì la dama, né folle diventò: anno per anno visse ancora. Ma io penso che la queta sua pazienza, e i trepidi sorrisi, e il non morir... ma vivere a custodia del vecchio padre (se è follia dal mondo dissimigliare) fossero follia. Era, null’altro che a vederla, come leggere un canto da ingegnoso bardo intessuto a piegar gelidi cuori in un dolor pensoso. Neri gli occhi ma non fulgidi più; consunte quasi le ciglia dalle lagrime; le labbra e le gate parevan cose morte tanto eran blanche; ed esili le mani e per le erranti vene e le giunture rossa del giorno trasparia la luce. La nuda tomba, che il tuo fral racchiude, cui notte e giorno un’ombra tormentata abita, è quanto di te resta, o cara creatura perduta! “Ho tal retaggio, che la terra non dà: calma e silenzio, senza peccato e senza passione. Sia che i morti ritrovino (non mai il sonno!) ma il riposo, imperturbati quali appaion, o vivano, o d’amore nel mar profondo scendano; oh! che il mio epitaffio, che il tuo sia: Pace!” Questo dalle sue labbra l’unico lamento.

**Authorship:** Roberto Ascoli based on a text in English by Percy Bysshe Shelley, “The Sunset”
**Miniature Music Dramas Program**

**Johannes Brahms: Two Songs for voice, viola and piano, Op. 91**
(1833-97)  
*Gestillte Sehnsucht*  
*Geistliches Wiegenlied*

**Gestillte Sehnsucht**

In gold’nen Abendschein getauchet,  
Wie feierlich die Wälder stehn!  
In leise Stimmen der Vögelein hauchet  
Des Abendwindes leises Weh’n.  
Was lispeln die Winde, die Vögelein?  
Sie lispeln die Welt in Schlummer ein.

In gold'nen Abendschein getauchet,  
Wie feierlich die Wälder stehn!  
In leise Stimmen der Vögelein hauchet  
Des Abendwindes leises Weh'n.  
Was lispeln die Winde, die Vögelein?  
Sie lispeln die Welt in Schlummer ein.

Ihr Wünsche, die ihr stets euch reget  
Im Herzen sonder Rast und Ruh!  
Du Sehnen, das die Brust beweget,  
Wann ruhest du, wann schlummerst du?  
Beim Lispeln der Winde, der Vögelein,  
Ihr sehnden Wünsche, wann schläft ihr ein?

Was kommt gezogen auf Traumestügeln?  
Was weht mich an so bang, so hold?  
Es kommt gezogen von fernen Hügeln,  
Es kommt auf bebendem Sonnengold.  
Wohl lispeln die Winde, die Vögelein,  
Das Sehnen, das Sehnen, es schläft nicht ein.

Ach, wenn nicht mehr in gold’ne Fernen  
Mein Geist auf Traumgefieder eilt,  
Nicht mehr an ewig fernen Sternen  
Mit sehndem Blick mein Auge weiht;  
Dann lispeln die Winde, die Vögelein  
Mit meinem Sehnen mein Leben ein.

**Stilled Longing**  

Steeled in a golden evening glow,  
how solemnly the forests stand!  
In gentle voices the little birds breathe  
into the soft fluttering of evening breezes.  
What does the wind whisper, and the little birds?  
They whisper the world into slumber.

You, my desires, that stir  
in my heart without rest or peace!  
You longings that move my heart,  
When will you rest, when will you sleep?  
By the whispering of the wind, and of the little birds?  
You yearning desires, when will you fall asleep?

What will come of these dreamy flights?  
What stirs me so anxiously, so sweetly?  
It comes pulling me from far-off hills,  
It comes from the trembling gold of the sun.  
The wind whispers loudly, as do the little birds;  
The longing, the longing - it will not fall asleep.

Ach, when no longer into the golden distance  
does my spirit hurry on dream-wings,  
when no more on the eternally distant stars  
does my longing gaze rest;  
Then the wind and the little birds  
will whisper away my longing, along with my life.

**Authorship:**  
Friedrich Rückert (1788-1866) in a section titled “Jugendlieder”,  
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**Geistliches Wiegenlied (Giebel)**

Die ihr schwebet um diese Palmen  
In Nacht und Wind,  
Ihr heil'gen Engel,  
Stillet die Wipfeln!  
Es schlummert mein Kind.

Ihr Palmen von Bethlehem  
In Windesbrausen,  
Wie mögt ihr heute so zornig sausen!  
O rauscht nicht also, schweiget,  
Neiget euch leis und lind.  
Stillet die Wipfeln!  
Es schlummert mein Kind.

Der Himmelsknabe duldet Beschwerde;  
Ach, wie so müd er ward  
Vom Leid der Erde.  
Ach, nun im Schlaf, ihm,  
leise gesänfigt,  
Die Qual zerrint,  
Stillet die Wipfeln!  
Es schlummert mein Kind.

Grimmige Kälte sauset hernieder,  
Wornit nur deck ich  
des Kindleins Glieder!  
O all ihr Engel, die ihr geflügelt  
Wandelt im Wind,  
Stillet die Wipfeln!  
Es schlummert mein Kind.

**Spiritual Lullaby**

Ye that hover about these palms  
In night and wind,  
Ye holy angels,  
Silence the tree-tops!  
My child is asleep.

Ye palms of Bethlehem  
In blustering wind,  
How can ye buzz so angrily today!  
Do not rustle so, be silent,  
Sway softly and mildly,  
Silence the tree-tops!  
My child is asleep.

The child of Heaven endures hardship;  
Ah, how weary he was  
of the sorrows of the earth.  
Ah, now gently soothed in sleep,  
The agony melts away,  
Silence the tree-tops!  
My child is asleep.

Bitter cold rushes down,  
With what can I cover  
the little child’s limbs!  
O all ye angels, that, bewinged,  
Wander in wind,  
Silence the tree-tops!  
My child is asleep.

**Authorship:** Set by Johannes Brahms (1833-97)  
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Jules Massenet: Élégie
(1842-1912)

Élégie
Ô, doux printemps d’autrefois, vertes saisons,
Vous avez fui pour toujours!
Je ne vois plus le ciel bleu;
Je n’entends plus les chants joyeux des oiseaux!

En emportant mon bonheur, mon bonheur...
Ô bien-aimé, tu t’en es allé!
Et c’est en vain que revient le printemps!

Oui, sans retour,
Avec toi, le gai soleil,
Les jours riants sont partis!
Comme en mon coeur tout est sombre et glacé!
Tout est flétri pour toujours!

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Elegy
O sweet spring of old, verdant seasons,
you flew away forever more!
I no longer see the blue sky;
I no longer hear the joyous songs of the birds!

You took my happiness, my happiness,
O beloved, and went away!
And now the spring returns in vain!

For they went away
with you, the merry sun
and joyful days, never to return!
Such an icy darkness pervades my heart!
All is withered forever!

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“the singing will never be done” Program

Frank Bridge: *Where is it that our soul doth go?* (1879-1941)

One thing I’d know,
When we have perished,
Where is it that our soul doth go?
Where, where is the fire, that is extinguished?
Where is the wind?
Where is the wind but now did blow?
Where is it? Where is it?
Where is it that our soul doth go?
When we have perished.

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Du meine (Seele), du mein Herz,
Du meine (Wonn’, o du)mein Schmerz,
Du meine Welt, in der ich lebe,
Mein Himmel du, (darin)ich schwebe,
O du mein Grab, in das hinab
Ich ewig meinen Kummer gab!
Du bist die Ruh, du bist der Frieden,
Du bist (der)Himmel, mir beschieden.
Daß du mich liebst, macht mich mir wert,
Dein Blick hat mich vor mir verklärt,
Du hebst mich liebend über mich,
Mein guter Geist, mein besseres Ich!

You my soul, you my heart,
You my bliss, o you my pain,
You the world in which I live;
You my heaven, in which I float,
You my grave, into which
I eternally cast my grief.
You are rest, you are peace,
You are bestowed upon me from heaven.
That you love me makes me worthy of you;
Your gaze transfigures me;
You raise me lovingly above myself,
My good spirit, my better self!

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