VCU Choral Ensembles

Vocal Chamber Ensembles
Choral Arts Society
Vox Concordia
Commonwealth Singers

Thursday, November 21, 2019 at 7:30 p.m.

Sonia Vlahcevic Concert Hall
W.E. Singleton Center for the Performing Arts
Virginia Commonwealth University
922 Park Avenue
Richmond, VA

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Program

Vocal Chamber Ensembles

The Bird
William Billings (1746-1800)
Cathern Hazelwood, Abigail Graham, Kevin Mann, Noah Smith

You Are the New Day
John David (b. 1946), arr. Peter Knight
Christianna Casey, Emily Horton, Andrew Bonieskie,
Richard Williams, William Joe Ware

“Schaffe in mir, Gott, ein reing Herz” from Zwei Motetten, Op. 29
Johannes Brahms (1833-1897)

“Verlorene Jugend” from Fünf Gesänge, Op. 104
Jasmin Ward, Lida Bourhill, Micah Baldwin,
Jonathan Carr, Brian Donovan

“Schnitter Tod” from Romanzen und Balladen, Op. 7
Robert Schumann (1810-1856)
Cathern Hazelwood, Emily Horton, Kevin Mann, Ricky Williams

“In stiller Nacht” from 14 Deutsche Volkslieder, WoO 34
Johannes Brahms
Abigail Graham, Christianna Casey, Andrew Bonieskie,
William Joe Ware, Noah Smith

Selections from Sieben Lieder, Op. 62
Johannes Brahms
Waldesnacht
Es geht ein Wehen
Cathern Hazelwood, Abigail Graham, Kevin Mann, Noah Smith

Abendfeier in Venedig
Clara Wieck Schumann (1819-1896)
Vocal Chamber Ensemble

Choral Arts Society
Erin Freeman, conductor
David Kin, pianist

San Bonani/Namhtla Kubidene
Traditional Zulu, arr. Michael Barrett
Sherita Mickens, Phillip Anderson, Ellis Graham Williamson,
Chance A. Szabo-Bordé, soloists

Mata del Anima Sola
Antonio Estévez (1916-1988)
Nathaniel Elliot Roper, Allison Yablonski, Aya Reed,
Miranda Del Valle, Mareka Belcher, soloists

O Come, Emmanuel
Traditional, arr. Alice Parker (b. 1925)

Coventry Carol
15th century traditional, arr. Martin Fallas Shaw (1875-1958)

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PAUL WATKINS, CELLO & ALESSIO BAX, PIANO
Sunday, February 23, 2020 at 3 p.m.
Mary Anne Rennolds Chamber Concert Series

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Acclaimed for his inspirational performances and eloquent musicianship, Paul Watkins enjoys a remarkably varied and distinguished career as soloist, chamber musician and conductor. He regularly appears as concerto soloist with orchestras throughout the world. Recent highlights include concerts with the Gewandhausorchester Leipzig, Colorado Symphony, Hong Kong and Royal Flemish Philharmonic Orchestras, and appearances at the BBC Proms as conductor and soloist. He performs regularly with the Emerson String Quartet and Chamber Music Society of Lincoln Center and at festivals worldwide.

Combining exceptional lyricism and insight with consummate technique, Steinway artist Alessio Bax is without a doubt “among the most remarkable young pianists now before the public” (Gramophone). He catapulted to prominence with First Prize wins at both the Leeds and Hamamatsu International Piano Competitions, and is now a familiar face on five continents, not only as a recitalist and chamber musician, but also as a concerto soloist who has appeared with more than 100 orchestras, including the London, Royal, and St. Petersburg Philharmonic Orchestras, the Boston, Dallas, Sydney, and City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestras, and the NHK Symphony in Japan.

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The Shepherd's Farewell to the Holy Family from L'enfance du Christ
Hector Berlioz (1803-1869)

The Rose
Ola Gjeilo (b. 1978)

Hallelujah Chorus
George Frederic Handel (1685-1759)
Lida Bourhill, conductor

Vox Concordia
Lisa Fusco, conductor
Mona Wu, pianist

Salmo 150
Emani Aguiar (b. 1950)

Lift Thine Eyes from Elijah
Felix Mendelssohn-Bartholdy (1809-1847)

Dôme Épais from Lakmé
Léo Delibes, arr. Francisco Nunez (1836-1891)

Hotaru Koi
Rô Ogura (1916-1990)

What Sweeter Music
Eleanor Daley (b. 1955)

Deer Song from Considering Matthew Shepard
Helen Ritz, Mylene Perlas, Rylee Hughes, Lauryn Blizzard, soloists
Stacey Sharpe, violinist

Yo Le Canto Todo El Día
David L. Brunner (b. 1953)

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David Kim, pianist

Hallelujah
William Walker (1809-1875)
arr. Shawn Kirchner (b. 1970)

A Nightingale Sang in Berkeley Square
Manning Sherwin (1902-1974)
arr. Gene Puerling (1929-2008)

Os Justi Meditabitur
Lida Bourhill, conductor

Twa Tanbou
Sydney Guillaume (b. 1982)
CHORAL ARTS SOCIETY
Erin Freeman, conductor
David Kim, pianist

Section Leaders: Mary McLean (Soprano); Miranda Del Valle (Alto); Devin Sullivan (Tenor); William Ware (Bass)
Chorus Managers: Sherlita Mickens and Molly O’Hare
Marketing: Shanmukh S. Nimmalagadda and Abigail Villanueva
Choral Area Assistant: Connor A. Martin
Conducting Assistants: Lida Bourhill, Abigail Graham, and Kristen Melzer

SOPRANO
Miriam Afshar
Mareka Belcher
Alyssa Faith Benfield
Jhilian Bremby
Morgan Cable
Christy Cordoba
Audrey Fauciel
Giuliana Gordon
Caroline Gryder
Trinity Kenny
Katherine A. Kloecker
Yuria Sophianne Liu
Devin Manning
Mary McLean
Sherlita Mickens
Sydney Morrissey
Grace Park
Melina Perez
Maura Richardson
Emily Sithibandith
Hokunani Womack
Allison Yablonski

ALTO
Mikaela Beidler
Amanda Burton
Emma Davis
Miranda Del Valle
Claire Dunn
Abby Houchin
Tiarra Johnson
Tahia Karim

ALTO cont’d
Kate Kistler
Joy Ma
Abby Monroe
Jayana Murdock
Jamie Nervil
Hana Norton
Molly O’Hare
Rachel Odetta
Joyce Park
Mary Alice Patsalosavvis
Cassidy Rabchenuk
Aya Reed
Allissa Rhoads
Julia Salassi
Shruti Shrivastava
Olivia Taylor
Abby Villanueva
Iman Williams
Elizabeth Wittmer
Sierra Young

BASS
Philip Anderson
Alexander Birch
Cameron Garrett
Tanner High
Connor A. Martin
Kayro Mendoza-Ibarra
Shanmukh S. Nimmalagadda
James C. Norman
Nathaniel Elliot Roper
Ankit Sapkota
Noah Smith
William Joe Ware
Ellis Graham Williamson
Jacob Yim

VOCAL CHAMBER ENSEMBLE
Erin Freeman, instructor

Micah Baldwin
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Jasmin Smith
William Joe Ware
Richard Williams

VOX CONCORDIA
Lisa Fusco, conductor
Mona Wu, pianist

SOPRANO I
Emma Kelly Foster
Rosie Hagen
Rylee Mackenzie Hughes
Mylene Tamia Perlis
Helena Ruiz-Nuckols
Mikala Swank-Thompson
Jasmin Ward *

SOPRANO II
Marie Bonenfant
Eva Bottcher
Christianna Casey ~
Hannah Overton
Nicole Silva
Jennifer Stegman
Allison Yablonski *

ALTO
Lauryl Blizzard
Miranda Del Valle
Janice Guzman *
Carina Hines
Ash Whitehead
Mona (Zhiqian) Wu

VCU COMMONWEALTH SINGERS
Erin Freeman, conductor
David Kim, pianist

SOPRANO
Kelly Adam
Sarah Dobson
Annabelle Haleigh Evaro
Gemauria A. Fennell
Abigail Graham *
Cathern Hazelwood ~
Emily Hubbard
Felicia Josey
Sherlita Mickens
Nya Powell
Tya Robinson
Jasmin Ward

ALTO cont’d
Katarina Izdepski
Kristen Melzer #
Kayla Seabolt
Janey Silas *
Alexys Weihl
Sunit Zecarias

ALTO
Elissa Bolden
Lida Bourhill #
Cvana Clarkson
Frances Frederick

BASS
Kabir Ali
Ijad Brown
Jonathan Carr ~
Travis Krivkovic
Kevin Mann *
Connor Annan Martin
Zachary Short
James Taylor
Josiah William Testerman
Richard Williams

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