

February 10, 2023 7:30pm The Chan Centre for the Performing Arts

The UBC University Singers & Choral Union present

LOVE LETTERS

Te Deum Remember Cindy Christian Richardson, guitar Wanting Memories What a Beautiful City Franz Joseph Haydn Stephen Chatman arr. Carol Barnett

Yseye Maria Barnwell arr. Shawn Kirchner

Choral Union Hyejung Jun, conductor Jeon Mok, pianist

PAUSE

God's Universal Love

Ubi Caritas Will Ireton, graduate student conductor

A Mother's Love

Mother's Song Totus Tuus Jocelyn Hagen Henryk Górecki

Paul Mealor

Lover's Love

Black is the Colour of My True Love's Hair Simon Proulx, clarinet a boy and a boy Burden Ay Ay Ay, O pag-ibig René Clausen

arr. Kirby Shaw

Stuart Beatch Edward Randell arr. George Hernandez

University Singers Graeme Langager, conductor Eshantha Peiris, pianist

Bridge Over Troubled Water

Tutti Choirs

We would like to acknowledge that the land on which we gather is the traditional, ancestral, and unceded territory of the $x^w m \partial \theta k^w \partial y \partial m$ (Musqueam) People.

SELECTED TEXTS & TRANSLATIONS

Te Deum

Franz Joseph Haydn

We praise thee, Oh God; we acknowledge thee to be the Lord. All the earth doth worship thee, the Father everlasting. To thee all Angels, the Heavens, and all the Powers, the Cherubim and Seraphim proclaim without ceasing: Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of Hosts! The heavens and the earth are full of the majesty of thy glory. The glorious chorus of the Apostles, the admirable company of the Prophets, the white-robed army of Martyrs praises thee. Throughout the whole world the holy Church gives praise to thee, the Father of infinite majesty: they praise your admirable, true, and only Son; and also the Holy Spirit, our Advocate.

You are the king of glory, O Christ.

You are the eternal Son of the Father.

To deliver us, you became human, and did not disdain the Virgin's womb.

Having blunted the sting of death, You opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers.

You sit at the right hand of God in the glory of the Father.

You are believed to be the Judge who will come.

Therefore, we beseech you, come to the aid of your servants, whom you have redeemed by your precious blood.

Make them to be numbered with thy saints in glory everlasting.

Save your people, O Lord, and bless your inheritance. Govern them, and extol them from now into eternity. Day by day, we bless thee; Day by day, we bless thee; and we praise your name for ever, yea, for ever and ever. Vouchsafe, O Lord, to keep us this day without sin. Have mercy upon us, O Lord, have mercy upon us. Let they mercy be upon us, O Lord, as we have trusted in thee. In thee, O Lord, I have trusted: let me never be confounded.

Ubi Caritas

Where charity and love are, God is there. Christ's love has gathered us into one. Let us rejoice and be pleased in Him. Let us fear, and let us love the living God. And may we love each other with a sincere heart. Where charity and love are, God is there.

Paul Mealor

Mother's Song

If snow falls on the far field where travellers spend the night, I ask you, cranes, to warm my child in your wings.

Totus Tuus

I am completely yours, Mary, Mother of our Redeemer. Virgin Mother of God, loving virgin, Mother of the Saviour of the world. I am completely yours, Mary!

a boy and a boy

Stretched out on the ground: a boy & a boy. The wind in the wheat; the wheat in his teeth. He whistles Schumann while the other sees his smooth image in every cloud. His face a welcome token in the blue sky. They savour oranges & citrus kisses but only for the summer.

Stretched out across a theatre: a man & a man. The past in his teeth; his tongue in a memory. A symphony performs Schumann while one recalls the shape of that face like smoke in the sky. They savour limes & gin kisses—both remembering the taste of that summer.

Stretched out underground: two men. The story in their bones; their bodies in the dirt. He chose Schumann for the funeral & looked for a signal in the sky. An unsmoothed face in a cloud. Now, they savour silence, give kisses to the earth under a single engraved name.

Jocelyn Hagen

Anonymous, Japanese translated by Willis Barnstone

Henryk Górecki

Stuart Beatch

poem by Matthew Stepanic

PERSONNEL



Graeme Langager is the UBC School of Music's Director of Choral Activities. As is a passionate and dynamic conductor, Langager is sought-after as a clinician, adjudicator, educator and guest conductor. He has performed throughout Europe and across North America, appearing in such venues as St. Mark's in Venice, St. Peter's in the Vatican, St. Steven's in Vienna, Carnegie Hall in New York and in cathedrals and concert halls in Spain, Italy, France, Austria and the Czech Republic. Langager's choirs have also performed at numerous choral conferences, including: the National Collegiate Choral Organization, the American Choral Directors Association, the International Association of Jazz Educators, the National Association for Music Education, and the Montreux and North Sea Jazz Festivals. Langager served as the artistic director and conductor

of the acclaimed Phoenix Chamber Choir in Vancouver from 2012-2018, during which time the choir released 3 CDs, performed with such artists as the Vancouver Symphony Orchestra and Andrea Bocelli, and Choral Canada's Podium Conference.

Langager was born into a musical family, singing and playing instruments from an early age. He received the doctoral degree in choral conducting from the University of Cincinnati College-Conservatory of Music, and the master of music degree from California State University, Long Beach. Langager also holds a degree in Jazz Studies.



Hyejung Jun serves as Assistant Professor of Choral Conducting at the University of British Columbia after completing her Doctor of Musical Arts degree at the University of Cincinnati College-Conservatory of Music. She earned her Master of Music degrees from Yonsei University in Korea and Emory University in the United States.

During her time in Cincinnati, Jun conducted and assisted the CCM Chamber Choir, the CCM Chorale and taught undergraduate conducting classes. She also was awarded the May Festival Conducting Fellowship for the 2018-2019 season under the mentorship of Robert Porco, Director of Choruses of the May Festival Chorus. Additionally, she has served as

Assistant Conductor of the Women's Chorus at Xavier University.

Jun has extensive experience as a singer, pianist, and conductor. Her performances have been recognized for their sensitivity and excellence. Prior to coming to the United States, she was the winner of the National Choral Conducting Competition in Seoul, South Korea, and after moving to the United States, she was a finalist in the Graduate Conducting Competition of the American Choral Directors Association.

CHORAL UNION

Jeon Mok, collaborative pianist

Abby Leung Adam Isidto Adam Sun Alejandra Baca Anna Davidson Anna Pontin Anne Qu Arthur Khamkhosy Ayuki Ohno Bella Wark Ben Byers Bo Cheng Bono Lam Brian Archdekin Caroline Votchok Carter Jaquette Chantal Lee Charlene Ausa Charles Guo Charlie Dutton Charlotte Ren Chloe Huang Christian Richardson Christopher Ng Daniel Ryu Daniella Beyene Darren Wen Dawn Tomashewski Dongyun Lee Doyoung Kim Elena Massing Elissa Matthew

Emily Brinco Emily Carlsen Emily Ho Emily Wang Emma Penner Emma Quan Emma Verret Erin Geerlof Erin Strachan Ethan Tong Ezekiel Wang Fergus Kwan Frieda Green Gabriel Henderson Gabriela Pimentel Haley-Anne Power Hilary Jung Indira Graham Isabella Byrne Isabella Cui Ivy Lin Jacqueline So Jai Kumar James Sun Janna Berg Jean Zhang Jennifer Chan Jerry Zhao Jia Zhang Jingyi Ma Joel Schelp Joshua Doody

Julia Coutant Justin Lau Kaitlyn Darrach Karen Chiang Karen Zheng Kathleen O'Connor Kayla Preocanin Kelk Jeffery Kelly Li Kim Do Kimmy Hawley Lauren Coulson Lauren de Vries Lavender Ding Lucy Moon Luke Baker Mae Xu Manuela Chao Margaret Peters Marlowe Kazan Baigrie Maryam Khamis Matthew Wong Melanie Ko Michael Chen Michael Robert Mike Colonia Molly Morrison Myra Sobelman Naomi Barasch Natalie Roche Nathan Racey Naveen Yang

Owen Glor Paul Tiberghien Rainie Wang Rosie Xuan Saba Tahiakbari Sara Booth Sarah Stephenson Sebastian Russell Serena Zhao Sharon Chu Shriya Chamarty Shulei Han Siyuan Liu Snow Diao Stephanie Chen Stephanie Yao Sylvie Nesbitt Thomas McIlwraith Tirzah Kelman Tyson Fisher Veronica Grant Vicky Chen Victoria Kazantseva Virginia Briggs Vivienne Thamrin Vivienne Thamrin Wellesley Kerr Winston Li Yasmin Suzani Zoe Lainchbury

UNIVERSITY SINGERS

Eshantha Peiris, collaborative pianist

SOPRANO

Meruert Bestybay Denise Chung Trinity Collie Olivia Howe Anja Kelly Emily Malmgren Deeandra Miranda Sophie Puente Skylar Sabasch Julia Yoo

ALTO

Caroline Ford Baiya Griffiths *Britney Huynh *Man Li Taylor McKee Holly Ten Haaf

TENOR

Alex Ding Jordan Griffiths Isaac Howie Kelk Jeffery Joseph Jeon Geonhee Lee Carlo Santos *Michael Stahl

BASS

*Will de Sousa Thomas Farrell Ryan Flores Hans Grunwald *Will Ireton Josh Levesque *Hanwen Liang *Zachary Manlapid Matthew Perez

*Graduate Assistants

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