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7:30PM FRIDAY FEBRUARY 9 2024 Chan Centre for the Performing Arts

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Friday February 9, 2024 Chan Centre for the Performing Arts 7:30pm

PROGRAM

O Fortuna from Carmina Burana Carl Orff (1895-1982) Matthew Lew, Evan MacNamara, Caydence Matheson, Cheng Xin Ip, *percussion* Jeon Mok, Sasha Luchkov, *piano*

Sure On This Shining Night Dancing on the Edges of Time Gloria from Lightning Bug Mass Morten Lauridsen (b.1943) Craig Carnahan (b.1951) Jihoon Park (b.1973)

Choral Union Hyejung Jun, conductor Jeon Mok, collaborative pianist

To Light

Winter Sun Te Lucis Ante Terminum Don Macdonald (Canada, b. 1966) Levente Gyöngyösi (Hungary, b. 1975)

Two Songs of Praise

Alleluia Elaine Hagenberg (United States, b. 1979) Magnificat Arvo Pärt (Estonia, b. 1935) Denise Chung, Emily Malmgren, Julia Yoo, *soprano*

Lo, the full, final sacrifice

Gerald Finzi (England, 1901-56)

Isaac Howie, organ Joanne Acasio, Denise Chung, Emily Malmgren, Julia Yoo, soprano

> University Singers Graeme Langager, conductor Eshantha Peiris, collaborative pianist

We acknowledge that the land on which we gather is the traditional, ancestral, and unceded territory of the xwməθkwəýəm (Musqueam) People.

TEXTS & TRANSLATIONS

O Fortuna From Carmina Burana

O Fortune, Like the moon You are changeable, ever waxing and waning. Hateful life, first oppresses, and then soothes as fancy takes it; poverty, and power it melts them like ice.

Fate - monstrous and empty, you whirling wheel, you are malevolent, well-being is in vain and always fades to nothing, shadowed and veiled you plague me too; now through the game I bring my bare back To your villainy.

Fate is against me in health and virtue, driven on and weighted down, always enslaved. So at this hour without delay pluck the vibrating strings; since Fate strikes down the strong man, everyone weep with me!

Medieval Latin Goliardic Poem

Sure on This Shining Night

Sure on this shining night Of star made shadows round, Kindness must watch for me This side the ground. The late year lies down the north. All is healed, all is health. High summer holds the earth. Hearts all whole. Sure on this shining night I weep for wonder wand'ring faralone Of shadows on the stars.

James Agee (1909-1955)

Dancing on the Edges of Time

Let your life lightly dance on the edges of Time like dew on the tip of a leaf.

Rabindranath Tagore (1861-1941)

Gloria From Lightning Bug Mass

Glory in the highest to God. And on earth peace to men of good will. We praise thee. We bless thee. We worship thee. We glorify Thee. Thanks we give to thee because of great glory thy.

Gospel of Luke

Winter Sun

To light, to water, and the flow of birds through ancient stars.

To the wild sun of winter startling the dark green trees: giants of majestic silence.

To snow on roofs and the peace of Sunday. To quiet and certitude, to breathing, to air.

To acceptance, to dreams. To disclosures of the sleeping heart, for air, for light.

poem by Malca Litovitz

Te Lucis Ante Terminum (Before the End of Light)

Before the light of day has ended, We ask you, creator of all, In your wonted kindness, To go before us as our guard.

May our hearts dream of you, May we perceive you even in sleep, And always sing your glory At the coming of the light.

Grant us a healthy life, Restore our fervour; The foul darkness of night May your brightness illumine.

Grant this, Father almighty, Through Jesus Christ the Lord, Who with you forever Reigns with the Holy Spirit. Amen.

7th century hymn for the close of day

Magnificat

My soul doth magnify the Lord. And my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour. For he hath regarded: the lowliness of his handmaiden: For behold, from henceforth: all generations shall call me blessed.

For he that is mighty hath magnified me: and holy is his Name. And his mercy is on them that fear him: throughout all generations. He hath shewed strength with his arm: he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.

He hath put down the mighty from their seat: and hath exalted the humble and meek.

He hath filled the hungry with good things: and the rich he hath sent empty away.

He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel: As he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed for ever.

Luke 1: 46-55

Lo, the full, final sacrifice

Lo, the full, final, Sacrifice On which all figures fix't their eyes. The ransomed Isaac, and his ram; The Manna, and the Paschal Lamb.

Jesu Master, just and true! Our Food, and faithful Shepherd too!

O let that love which thus makes thee Mix with our low Mortality, Lift our lean Souls, and set us up Convictors of thine own full cup, Coheirs of Saints. That so all may Drink the same wine; and the same way. Nor change the Pasture, but the Place To feed of Thee in thine own Face.

O dear Memorial of that Death Which lives still, and allows us breath! Rich, Royal food! Bountiful Bread! Whose use denies us to the dead!

Live ever Bread of loves, and be My life, my soul, my surer self to me.

Help Lord, my Faith, my Hope increase; And fill my portion in thy peace. Give love for life; nor let my days Grow, but in new powers to thy name and praise.

Rise, Royal Sion! rise and sing Thy soul's kind shepherd, thy heart's King. Stretch all thy powers; call if you can Harps of heaven to hands of man. This sovereign subject sits above The best ambition of thy love.

Lo the Bread of Life, this day's Triumphant Text provokes thy praise. The living and life-giving bread, To the great twelve distributed

When Life, himself, at point to die Of love, was his own Legacy.

O soft self-wounding Pelican! Whose breast weeps Balm for wounded man. All this way bend thy benign flood To'a bleeding Heart that gasps for blood. That blood, whose least drops sovereign be To wash my worlds of sins from me.

Come love! Come Lord! and that long day For which I languish, come away.

When this dry soul those eyes shall see, And drink the unseal'd source of thee. When Glory's sun faith's shades shall chase, And for thy veil give me thy Face. Amen.

Richard Crashaw (1613-1649)

CHORAL UNION

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Soprano

Naomi Barasch Virginia Briggs Emily Brinco Joy Cai Lauren Coulson Isabella Cui Isabelle Denton Julia Dion Anais Dunbar Erin Geerlof Indira Graham Emily Ho Aster Huang Ella leon Victoria Kazantseva Wellesley Kerr Maryam Khamis Zoe Lainchbury Vanesse Li Nastva Lutsenko Lida Magnus Elena Massing Kathleen O'Connor Keira Papageorge Talia Papageorge Arina Rahimi Natalie Roche Meera Thomas Dawn Tomashewski Kaitlyn Tse Emma Verret

Caroline Voltchok Jane Wan Ashley Wang Nina Wang Sarah Wong Jean Zhang Julie Zhu

Alto

Rvleigh Barrow Isabella Byrne Hazel Chen Linda Dao Anna Davidson Lauren de Vries Chutong Dou Zoe Espanol Fiona Fang Kayla Foudy Emily Fung Kira Hu Chloe Huang Moe Kisaka Melanie Ko Essence Lee Samantha Lee Abby Leung lvy Lin Emilv Liu Yuhan Liu Azeen Maleki Caydence Matheson Mina Mckenzie Molly Morrison Paniz Moslehi Krtvi Nambiar Margaret Peters Crystal Oiao Jacqueline So Myra Sobelman Sophia Shi Saba Taghiakbari Karissa Tang Grace Wang Jessica Wang Joanna Wang Olivia Wankling Shelly Xie Zoe Zhang Jessie Zhao Tenor

Matthew Boubille Benny Byers Tyson Fisher Myles Hemy-Bain Jai Kumar Noel Lee Antheia Leong Matthew Lew Jason Li Evan MacNamara Francis Reyes Millen Sandhu

Eamon Sawada-Tse Joel Schelp Philip Shen Matthew Wong Serena Wu Zeyu Xie

Bass

Kevin Calindas Michael Chen Logan Choi Charlie Dutton Gabriel Henderson Cameron Holland Jian Horrian Hanwen Huang Jerry Jin Donny Lee Harry Li Sasha Luchkov Robert McDonald Thomas McIlwraith Michael Robert Davton Se James Sun Christian Sutton Tyronn Uy Naveen Yang Shengyu Yu

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SOPRANO

*Joanne Acasio Meruert Bestybay Denise Chung Olivia Howe Anja Kelly Emily Malmgren Skylar Sabasch Julia Yoo

ALTO

*Sharon Chu Sofia Culjak-Wade Baiya Griffiths Cooper Hatch Sarah Stephenson Holly Ten Haaf Kaylee Thereau

TENOR

Brian Archdekin Kelk Jeffery Joseph Jeon Carlo Santos *Man Li Aaron Yurkowski

BASS

Thomas Dalton *Will de Sousa Thomas Farrell Hans Grunwald Neil Hong Noah James *Hanwen Liang Ezekiel Wang Jamie Yoon

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