

Debra Cairns, soprano and Leonard Ratzlaff, baritone

assisted by
Janet Scott-Hoyt, piano
Richard Troeger, harpsichord
William H Street, saxophone
Tanya Prochazka, cello
Martin Riseley and Diane New, violins
Jonathan Craig, viola

Lecturer: Wesley Berg
Guest Host: John Hanlon
Host, CBC Wild Rose Country

Saturday, January 21, 1995
7:00 pm Pre-Concert Introduction
and Reception
8:00 pm Concert

Convocation Hall, Arts Building University of Alberta

GUEST OF HONOR

Roderick Fraser

President University of Alberta

Program

My dearest, my fairest (from Pausanias)

Henry (?) Purcell (1658-1695) Henry Purcell

Lost is my quiet for ever

Dem nur allein/Den soll mein Lorbeer Johann Sebastian Bach (from Cantata #207: Vereinigte Zwietracht der (1685-1750) wechselnden Saiten)

Ach Jesu, meine Ruh/Komm, mein Jesu

(from Cantata #21: Ich hatte viel Bekümmernis)

Debra Cairns, soprano
Leonard Ratzlaff, baritone
Richard Troeger, harpischord
Martin Riseley and Diane New, violins
Jonathan Craig, viola
Tanya Prochazka, cello

Dover Beach, Op. 3 (Arnold)

Samuel Barber (1910-1981)

Leonard Ratzlaff, baritone
Martin Riseley and Diane New, violins
Jonathan Craig, viola
Tanya Prochazka, cello

I never saw another butterfly

Ellwood Derr (b. 1932)

Debra Cairns, soprano
William H Street, alto saxophone
Janet Scott-Hoyt, piano

INTERMISSSION

Liederkreis, Op. 39 (Eichendorff)

- 1. In der Fremde
- 2. Andenken
- 4. Die Stille
- 5. Mondnacht
- 6. Schöne Fremde
- 11. Im Walde
- 12. Frühlingsnacht

Leonard Ratzlaff, baritone Janet Scott-Hoyt, piano

Mein Liebster ist so klein
(Heyse, from Italienisches Liederbuch, I)
Verborgenheit (Mörike)
Ein Stündlein wohl vor Tag (Mörike)
Nimmersatte Liebe (Mörike)
Fußreise (Mörike)

Debra Cairns, soprano Janet Scott-Hoyt, piano Hugo Wolf (1860-1903)

Robert Schumann (1810-1856)

Four duets, Op. 28

2. Vor der Tür (Altdeutsch)

(1833-1897)

Johannes Brahms

- 3. Es rauschet das Wasser (Goethe)
- 4. Der Jäger und sein Liebchen (Hoffmann von Fallersleben)

Debra Cairns, soprano Leonard Ratzlaff, baritone Janet Scott-Hoyt, piano

Texts and Translations

My dearest, my fairest
My dearest, my fairest, I languish for you.
Thy kindness has won me,
Thy charm has undone me,
I ne'er, no ne'er shall be free.
I faint with the pleasure I fain would repeat,
Ah, why are love's raptures so short and so sweet?

Thus pressing and kissing, fresh joys we'll pursue,

And ever be happy and ever be true. But alas! should you change. Ah, tell me not so!

No, never my dearest, No never, my fairest, No, no, no, my dearest/fairest, no, no!

Lost is my quiet for ever
Lost is my quiet for ever,
Lost is life's happiest part,
Lost all my tender endeavours
To touch an insensible heart.
But though my despair is past curing,
And much undeserved is my fate,
I'll show by a patient enduring
My love is unmoved as her hate.

from Cantata #207: Vereinigte Zwietracht der wechselnden Saiten

Recitative

Ehre: (Fame) My dwelling is open only to him who, counting himself as one of thy sons, elects to follow the thorny path rather than that of pleasure. My laurel henceforth will grace the heads of only those who embrace their tasks with fresh blood, unafraid and undismayed courage.

Glück: (Fortune) I too will bestow my treasures on he whom you have selected. Through my love will I set for him a pleasant goal, which for him will be sufficient as a just reward for his labors. The hands of him thus adorned will gather and partake of the fruits (of his labors) in abundance, and they who apply themselves with diligence will be extolled as worthy of the laurel.

Aria (Duet)

Ehre: (Fame) Him shall my laurel cover protectingly.

Glück: (Fortune) He shall taste the fruit blessing,

(BOTH): Who by diligence climbs to the stars.

Ehre: (Fame) If the dew of sweat dampens limbs,

Then it drops down into shells, Where it produces pearls of glory. Glück: (Fortune) Where the heated drops flow,

From there will a stream spring forth, Which is like those brooks of blessing.

from Cantata #21: Ich hatte viel Bekümmernis

Recitative

Ah, Jesus, my repose, my light, where art Thou now?
But look, O soul! for I am here.
Thou here? here all is utter dark!
I am thy faithful friend,
throughout the night I watch,
to keep thee safe from harm.
shine forth, with brightest ray,
to light me on my way.
The hour is at hand,
when all thy struggle done,
thy crown of peace and rest is won.

Aria (Duet)

salvation

Come, my Jesus and restore me, Yea, I come and will restore thee, shed Thy grace and gladness o'er me, shed My Grace and gladness o'er thee, This my spirit soon will perish, Nay, thy spirit I will cherish. In the vale of sorrow would the Fiend enslave me from the Vale of sorrow I thy Saviour save thee I must drink the Cup of Sadness Nay, I bring the wine of gladness Yea, ah yea, Thou wilt reject me Nay, ah nay, I will protect thee Nay, ah nay, Thou hatest me Yea, ah yea, I care for thee Lord Jesus, Thou bringest me joy and

Soon thou for thy sorrow wilt find consolation
Come my Jesus and restore me
Yea, I come and will restore thee shed thy grace and gladness o'er me shed My grace and gladness o'er thee.

Dover Beach

The sea is calm tonight.
the tide is full, the moon lies fair
Upon the straits-on the French coast the light
Gleams and is gone; the cliffs of England
stand,

Glimmering and vast, out in the tranquil bay. Come to the window, sweet is the night air! Only, from the long line of spray Where the sea meets the moon-blanched land,

Listen! you hear the grating roar Of pebbles which the waves draw back, and fling,

At their return, up the high strand, Begin, and cease, and then again begin, With tremulous cadence slow, and bring The eternal note of sadness in.

Sophocles long ago
Heard it on the Aegean, and it brought
Into his mind the turbid ebb and flow
Of human misery; we
Find also in the sound a thought,
Hearing it by this distant northern sea.

The Sea of Faith
Was once, too, at the full, and round earth's
shore

Lay like the folds of a bright girdle furled. But now only I only hear Its melancholy, long, withdrawing roar, Retreating, to the breath Of the night wind, down the vast edges drear And naked shingles of the world.

Ah, love, let us be true
To one another! for the world, which seems
To lie before us like a land of dreams,
So various, so beautiful, so new,
Hath really neither joy, nor love, nor light,
Nor certitude, nor peace, nor help for pain;
And we are here as on a darkling plain
Swept with confused alarms of struggle and
flight,

Where ignorant armies clash by night.

I never saw another butterfly

Song Cycle for Soprano voice, Alto Saxophone, and piano. On the poems by children who were incarcerated in the Nazi ghetto for Jews in Terezín, Czechoslovakia (1942-1944) and who died in Auschwitz before the end of October 1944.

Ellwood Derr (1966)

Prologue: Terezín [Theresienstadt] Terezín, that bit of filth in dirty walls, And all around barbed wire, and thirty thousand souls who sleep, who once will wake And once will see Their own blood spilled. I was once a little child, Three years ago. That child who longed for other worlds. But now I am no more a child For I have learned to hate. I am a grown-up person now, I have known fear. But anyway, I still believe I only sleep today, that I'll wake up. A child again, and start to laugh and play. Somewhere, far away out there, childhood sweetly sleeps, along that path among the trees,

there o'er that house which was once my pride and joy.

There my mother gave me birth into this world so I could weep.

The Butterfly

A butterfly. The last, the very last, So richly, brightly, dazzlingly yellow. As if the sun's tears would sing against a white stone.... Such, such a yellow Is carried lightly 'way up high. It went away, I'm sure, for it wished to kiss the world good bye For seven weeks I've lived in here, Penned up inside this ghetto But I have found my people here, the dandelions have befriended me And the white chestnut candles in the court. Only I never saw another butterfly. that butterfly was the last one. Butterflies don't live in here in the ghetto.

The Old Man

In Terezín in the so called park
A queer old grandad sits somewhere there in
the so called park.
He wears a beard down to his lap
And on his head,
A little cap.
In Terezín in the so called park.
Hard crusts he crumbles in his gums.
He's only got one single tooth.
My poor old man with working gums.
There's no soft roll or lentil soup
For you, my poor old grey beard.

Fear

Today the ghetto knows a different fear, close in its grip....

Death wields an icy scythe.

An evil sickness spreads a terror in its wake the victims its shadow

Weep, weep, weep and writhe.

Today a father's heart beat tells his fright.

And mothers bend their heads in their hands.

Now children choke and die with typhus here....

No, no, oh God, we want to live! not watch

No, no, oh God, we want to live! not watch our numbers melt away. We want to have a better world, We want to work.

We must not die!

The Garden

A little garden,
Fragrant and full of roses.
the path is narrow
And a little boy walks along it.
A little boy, a sweet little boy,
like that growing blossom.
But when that blossom comes to bloom,
the little boy will be no more.

Liederkreis

In der Fremde/Far from Home

From my home beyond the lightning's flash, the clouds drift over me.

But father and mother are long since dead, and no one there remembers me any more.

How soon, how soon comes the quiet time when I too shall rest; and over me will rustle the lovely, lonely forest.

And no one will remember me any more even here.

Andenken/Memory

Your blessed image I keep in my heart; so gay and happy, it looks at me all the time.

My heart sings softly to itself an old, beautiful song that soars into the air and hastens to you.

Die Stille/The Silent One No one knows it or guesses it, I am so happy, so happy!

I am so happy, so happy!

I wish it were known to only one-only oneno other mortal should know it!

It is not so quiet out in the snow, not so reserved and silent are the stars in the heavens, as my thoughts.

[I wish it were already morning; then two larks would fly up, they would overtake each othermy heart would follow them.]

I wish I were a bird and could fly over the sea, over the sea and farther until I was in heaven!

Mondnacht/Moonlit Night

It seemed as though the heavens had kissed the earth to silence, so that, amid glistening flowers, she must now dream heavenly dreams.

The breeze passed through the fields; the corn stirred softly; the forest rustled lightly, so clear and starry was the night.

And my soul spread wide its wings; took flight through the silent land as though it were flying home.

Schöne Fremde/Bewitching Distant Landscape

The treetops rustle and quiver as though at this hour about the ruined walls the ancient gods were making their rounds.

Here beyond the myrtle trees in the quiet shimmer of twilight, what are you telling me, confused as in dreams, fantastic night?

The stars all shine upon me with the glow of love; the far horizon speaks ecstatically as if of great happiness to come.

Im Walde/In The Woods

A wedding procession moved along the mountain.

I heard the birds singing.

Many a horseman flashed, the hunting horn sounded-

that was a merry hunt!

And before I realized it all sound had died away.

Night closed in.

Only the trees rustled on the mountain; and I trembled deep in my heart.

Frühlingsnacht/Spring Night
Over the garden, through the breezes,
I heard passage birds flying:
that presages fragrant spring.
Underfoot the flowers are already beginning
to bloom.

I want to shout for joy! I want to weep! I cannot believe what I feel; old wonders appear again in the light of the moon.

And the moon, the stars, are telling it, and in my dreams the wood rustles it; and the nightingales peal it forth:
She is yours! She is yours!

Mein Liebster is so klein/My Sweetheart's So Small
My sweetheart's so small, that without bending

he sweeps my room with his hair
When he went to the garden to pick jasmine,
a snail scared him out of his wits.
Then when he came in to recover,
a fly knocked him all of a heap;
and when he came to my window,
a horse-fly stove in his head.
A curse on all flies-crane-and horseand whoever has a sweetheart from
Maremma!
A curse on all flies, craneflies and midges
and whoever, for his kiss, has so to stoop!

Verborgenheit/Concealment Leave me to myself, o world!

Tempt me not with love-offerings; let this heart have alone its joy, its suffering!

Why I grieve I do not know, it is some unknown pain: always through my tears I see the beloved light of the sun.

Often I hardly know myself, and radiant joy flashes, through the troubles that oppress me, blissfully within my breast.

Leave me to myself, o world! Tempt me not with love-offerings; let this heart have alone its joy, its suffering.

Ein Stiindlein wohl vor Tag/ An Hour before Day As I lay sleeping, an hour before day, by the window, on the tree, sang for me a swallow, I could scarcely hear, an hour before day.

'Hark well to what I say, of your sweetheart I complain: while I sing this, he clasps a love in sweet reposed, an hour before day.'

Oh, woe! Say no more,
Oh, quiet! Nothing do I wish to hear.
Fly away, away from my tree.
Ah, love and faithfulness are like a dream,
an hour before day!

Nimmersatte Liebe/Insatiable Love
Such is love, such is love,
not to be quieted with kisses;
who is such a fool as to fill a sieve
with water?
And were you to work a thousand years,
always, always kissing,
you could never satisfy her.

Love, love has every hour some wonderful new desire.
We bit our lips sore today when we were kissing.
The girl takes it calmly, like a lamb under the knife.
Her eyes have led him on: so go ahead, the more painful the better!

Such is love, and was indeed so as long as love has existed; and Lord Solomon himself, the sage, did not love any other way.

Fußreise/A Walk

When with my fresh-cut walking stick in the early morning I press through the woods, up hill and down hill, then, as the bird in the branches sings and moves about, or as the golden cluster of grapes feels the rapture of the early morning sun, so in me the old Adam feels autumn and spring fever, the God-given. never forfeited bliss of pristine paradise. So you aren't such a sinner, old Adam, as the straight-laced teachers say; you still love and extol and ever sing and praiseas in the eternally new days of creationyour dear Creator and Preserver! O that it might be given me that my whole life could be, gently perspiring, such a morning ramble!

Vor der Tür/At the door (Old German)
The boy:
Open, please open the bolt
on the door; how dearly would
I come in, so that I might
kiss you!

The maiden:

I will not let you in! You must go home quietly, very quietly.

The boy:

I can walk as quietly as moonlight—won't you get up and let me in? That is what I wish from you, O fair maiden, let your dear boy in!

Open, please open the bolt...

The maiden:

I will not let you in...

Es rauschet das Wasser/The water rushes on

Mezzo soprano:

The water rushes on and never stops. The stars move cheerfully through the heavens, and clouds as well: thus does love rush along, to its inevitable end.

Baritone:

The waters rush on, clouds dissipate; but the stars remain, even though they wander about. So it is with true love, it may wander about, but never changes.

Der Jäger und sein Liebchen/The hunter and his Beloved

The Hunter:

Are the heavens not blue? Stand at the window and keep watch for me—I will return very late from the hunt.

His Beloved:

I had thought otherwise! I would like to dance until very late; I will not stand at the window to keep watch for you!

Upcoming Events:

Saturday, January 28 at 8:00 pm Westend Christian Reformed Church Admission: \$10/adult, \$7/student/senior

Monday, January 30 at 8:00 pm Convocation hall Free admission

Saturday, February 4 at 8:00 pm Dinwoodie Lounge, SUB Admission: \$12/adult, \$10/student/senior, \$8/advance ticket

Wednesday, February 8 at 12:10 pm Convocation Hall Free admission

Fri. & Sat., Feb. 10 & 11 at 8:00 pm Convocation Hall Admission: \$5/adult, \$3/student/senior

Saturday, February 18 at 8:00 pm Convocation Hall Admission: \$10/adult, \$5/student/senior

Monday, February 27 at 8:00 pm Convocation Hall Free admission

Wednesday, March 1 at 12:10 pm Convocation hall Free admission

Saturday, March 4 at 8:00 pm Convocation Hall Admission: \$10/adult, \$5/student/senior

Wednesday, March 8 at 12:10 pm Convocation Hall Free admission I Coristi Chamber Choir with Marnie Giesbrecht, organist. Debra Cairns, conductor. Songs of Joy featuring music by Bach, Brahms, Palestrina, Victoria and Weelkes.

Doctor of Music Lecture-Recital: Milton Schlosser, piano. De Profundis: for speaking pianist (1992) by Frederick Rzewski.

World Music featuring Tilo Paiz and his Banda Amistad. Tilo's lecture-demonstration will be followed by a dance, co-sponsored by the International Centre.

Noon-Hour Organ Recital Program: TBA

Opera Scenes. Alan Ord, Director. Scenes from Operas by Mozart, Donizetti, Verdi, Humperdinck and Bizet.

Music at Convocation Hall featuring Marek Jablonski, piano. Program will include works by Chopin, Szymanowski and Liszt. Lecturer: Richard Troeger. Guest Host: Lorraine Mansbridge, Co-host, ITV First News.

Doctor of Music Recital: Peter Jancewicz, piano. Program: TBA

University of Calgary String Quartet Program: TBA

Music at Convocation Hall featuring Kuniko Furuhata, mezzo-soprano, and Helmut Brauss, piano. Program will include works by Wolf, Eben, Brahms, de Falla and Rossini. Lecturer: David Gramit. Guest Host: D T Baker, Critic, Edmonton Journal.

Noon-Hour Organ Recital featuring Wieslaw Rentowski, Professor of theory and composition at Tulance Unviersity in New Orleans. Program will include works by American, Canadian and Polish composers. Thursday, March 9 at 8:00 pm Convocation Hall Admission: \$10/adult. \$5/student/senior Visiting Artist Recital: Dennis Miller, principal tuba of the Orchestre symphonique de Montréal and Assistant Professor at McGill University, with Roger Admiral, piano. Program will include works by Bashaw, Schumann and Penderecki.

Sunday, March 12 at 8:00 pm Convocation Hall Admission: \$5/adult, \$3/student/senior University Symphony Orchestra Concert with soloist Martin Riseley, violin, playing Sibelius Violin Concerto. Malcolm Forsyth, Conductor. Program will also include works by Beethoven and Elgar.

Monday, March 13 at 8:00 pm Convocation Hall Free admission Master of Music Recital: Gordon Fitzell, composition.
Program: TBA

Saturday, March 18 at 8:00 pm Convocation Hall Admission: \$10/adult, \$5/student/senior Music at Convocation Hall featuring William H Street, saxophone, with Stéphane Lemelin, piano, and Marnie Giesbrecht, organ. Program will include works by Desenclos, Hindemith, Françaix, Kloppers, Schmitt, and Lauba.

Tuesday, March 21 at 8:00 pm Convocation Hall

Master of Music Recital: Chad Martin, composition.
Program: TBA

Free admission

University of Alberta Madrigal Singers Spring Concert. Leonard Ratzlaff, Conductor. Featuring Poulenc Un Soir de Neige, Ligeti Night and Morning, Vivier Jesus, embarme Dich, and works by Monteverdi, Schumann and Brahms.

Friday, March 24 at 8:00 pm Convocation Hall Admission: \$5/adult, \$3/student/senior

10 pm Noon-Hour Organ Recital.
Program: TBA

Wednesday, March 29 at 12:10 pm Convocation Hall Free admission

The University of Alberta Symphonic Wind Ensemble. Fordyce Pier, Director. Program will include works by Gregson, Gould and Benson.

Wednesday, March 29 at 8:00 pm Convocation Hall Admission: \$5/adult, \$3/student/senior

Master of Music Recital: Suzanne Langor, French horn.

Program will include works by Förster, Hindemith, Badian and Brahms.

Friday, March 31 at 8:00 pm Convocation Hall Free admission

> Northern Alberta Honor Band. Fordyce Pier, Conductor. The best band students from high schools in Northern Alberta are invited to join together for a weekend of music study and performance.

Saturday, April 1 at 8:00 pm Convocation Hall Free admission Tuesday, April 4 at 8:00 pm Convocation Hall Admission: \$5/adult, \$3/student/senior

Wednesday, April 5 at 12:10 pm Convocation Hall Free admission

Fri. & Sat., April 7 & 8 at 8:00 pm Convocation Hall Admission: \$5/adult, \$3/student/senior

Sunday, April 9 at 3:00 pm Convocation Hall Admission: \$5/adult, \$3/student/senior

Thursday, April 13 at 8:00 pm Convocation Hall Free admission

Thursday, April 20 at 8:00 pm Convocation Hall Free admission

Friday, April 21 at 8:00 pm Convocation Hall Free admission

Saturday, April 22 at 8:00 pm Convocation Hall \$25 general admission and champagne reception Music Choral Recital: Joy-Anne Murphy, conductor.

Program will include works by Schütz,
Mendelssohn and Poulenc.

Stage Bands I & II Concert. Raymond Baril and Tom Dust, Directors.

An Evening of Big Band Jazz.

Program: TBA

Noon-Hour Organ Recital. Program: TBA

The University of Alberta Concert Choir, Madrigal Singers and The University Symphony Orchestra Concert. Debra Cairns, Conductor. A performance of Bruckner's Te Deum and Kodály's Missa Brevis.

The University of Alberta Concert Band Concert. Fordyce C Pier, Director. Program: TBA

Master of Music Recital: Anna Lee, soprano. Program will include works by Handel, Berlioz, Mozart and Strauss.

Doctor of Music Recital: Milton Schlosser, piano, with Tanya Prochazka, cello (Faculty) and Kathleen Lotz, soprano. Program will include works by Grieg.

Master of Music Recital: Esther Chu, piano. Program: TBA

Student Gala featuring the BEST of graduation recitals. Formal attire suggested. Proceeds from this event will support a new Convocation Hall Scholarship Fund.

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