

university of alberta department of music

— in recital –

THE MADRIGAL SINGERS

Leonard Ratzlaff, conductor

Sunday, April 12, 1987

8:00 p.m.

- convocation hall old arts building

PROGRAMME

from Missa "Salvum me fac" (1567) Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina (1525-1594)

Ubi caritas (<u>Quatres motets sur des</u> <u>Thèmes Grégorien</u>, Op. 10, (1902-1986) 1, 1960)

Sanctus - Pleni sunt coeli - Osanna Palestrina

Tota pulchra (<u>Quatres motets</u> 2) Durufle

*Benedictus - Osanna

Tu es Petrus (3)

Agnus Dei I

Tantum ergo (4)

Palestrina

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Durufle

Durufle

Agnus Dei II

*Soloists in Benedictus: Sally McIntosh, Darlene Schubert, sopranos Barbara McKinley, alto Ian Armstrong, tenor Mon coeur se recommande a vous (1560)

Orlandus Lassus (1532-1594)

Hark, all ye lovely saints above (1598)

Thomas Weelkes (1576-1623)

The nightingale, the organ of delight (1608)

Sally McIntosh, soprano Joy-Anne Murphy, mezzo-soprano Edette Gagné, alto Wayne Lemire, tenor Graham Brockley, baritone

Four Slovak Folk Songs (1917)

Béla Bartók (1881-1945)

- 1. Wedding Song from Poniky
- 2. Song of the Hayharvesters from Hiadel
- 3. Dancing Song from Medzibrod
- 4. Dancing Song from Poniky

Helen Stuart, piano

INTERMISSION

Three Songs, Op. 114 (1853)

Robert Schumann (1810-1856)

- 1. Nänie
- 2. Triolett
- 3. Spruch

women's chorus Liliane Cromer, conductor Helen Stuart, piano Wit and Wisdom

Gerhard Krapf (b. 1924)

men's chorus Glen Halls, Wayne Lemire, tenors Graham Brockley, baritone Sean Bodie, Damian Hayden, basses

Les Comediens (1962)

Charles Aznavour (b. 1924)

Helen Stuart, piano

Trois Chansons de Charles D'Orleans (1908) Claude Debussy

(1862-1918)

- 1. Dieu! qu'il la fait bon regarder
- 2. Quant j'ai ouy le tabourin

Alison Grant, alto

3. Yver, vous n'estes qu'un villain

Liliane Cromer, soprano Joy-Anne Murphy, alto Glen Halls, tenor Damian Hayden, bass

Alleluia (1940)

Randall Thompson (b. 1899)

The Morning Trumpet

arr. Edward Fissinger (1983)

Roland Fix, baritone

I'm goin' to sing

Spiritual, arr. Shaw-Parker (1963)

TEXT TRANSLATIONS

Kyrie

Lord, have mercy upon us Christ, have mercy upon us Lord, have mercy upon us

Ubi caritas

Wherever there is charity and love, God is
 there.
The love of Christ has brought us together.
Let us exult and be delighted in him.
Let us fear and love the living God,
and with sincere hearts let us prize him.

Sanctus - Pleni - Osanna

Holy Holy, Holy, Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are filled with Thy glory. Hosanna in the highest.

Tota pulchra es

Thou art wholly beautiful, Mary, and the stain of original sin is not in thee. Thy raiment is white as snow, and thy face is like the sun. Thou art the glory of Jerusalem, thou art the joy of Israel, thou art the honour of our people.

(Liber Usualis)

Benedictus - Osanna

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Osanna in the highest.

Tu es Petrus

Thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my Church.

(Matthew 16:18)

Agnus Dei I

Lamb of God, who taketh away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

Tantum ergo

Thus, a Covenant so great we worship with bowed heads and the ancient doctrine yields to a new rite. Let faith supply the deficiencies of the senses.

To the begetter and to the begotten let there be praise, rejoicing, safety, honour, courage, and blessing. To him that proceeds from each of them, let there be equal commendation.

(St. Thomas Aquinas)

Agnus Dei II

Lamb of God, who taketh away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

Mon coer se recommande à vous

My heart commends itself to you, full of weariness and a martyr's pain, less to show you that it is free from jealousy than to gain strength to say goodbye. My lips, which were accustomed to smile for you and tell a pleasing tale, can now only curse those who banished me from your eyes.

(Clement Marot)

Nänie

Under the red flowers, sleep, sleep, dear bird, under the red flowers we sadly bury you.

When you were still singing, the roses were waking up the day, but today we covered you with forget-me-nots

Triolett

When the night sinks its gentle wings then the whispering accord of the zither rings -Lips choose to be silent -Even while growing silent the songs praise you, sweet night, the lovers' refuge.

Spruch

When the world disturbs you, look up to heaven where the stars never err.

Les Comediens

- Chorus: Come and see the actors, the musicians, the magicians!
 - The actors put up their trestles, erect the stage and put up the tent. Then they parade gaily down the streets. Before the church stands a green caravan with chairs set in an outdoor theatre. The actors gather a procession of many excited people.
 - 2. If you want to see a prankster involved in a sad story with a happy ending, or see trembling lovers or lament over Baptiste, or even laugh with the others, then open the tent-flap, come in and enjoy the spectacle. Under the stars the curtain rises as the three bangs are heard, then the actors come alive.
 - 3. The actors pack up their trestles, put away the stage and take down their tent. They leave in each heart memories of Sérénades and the joy of Arlequin. By sunrise they will be far away and will pass through other villages, while we believe it was only a dream.

(tr. Liliane Cromer)

Dieu! qu'il la fait bon regarder

Lord, lovely hast thou made my dear; A graceful, good, and winsome creature; Perfect in mind, and form, and feature: Her praise is sounded ev'rywhere. Could any tire of one so fair? So rich, endowed by grace and nature. Lord! lovely hast thou made my dear; A graceful, good and winsome creature. Over seas, far away, or near, Ev'ry other maiden excelling, She reigns a queen, homage compelling. Happy I, dreaming but of her. Lord! lovely hast thou made my dear.

Quant j'ai ouy le tabourin

Whene'er the tambourine I hear That sound to call us all to May, Snug lie I at the break of day, From the pillow lift not my head; 'Tis too soon for to leave my bed, Leave me to slumberland away. Whene'er the tambourine I hear That sound to call us all to May, Men and maids; tokens for the fair; Yet without smart hear I their lay Though tokens get I none today: But snug lie I from chilly air. Whene'er the tambourine I hear That sound to call us all to May, Snug lie I at the break of day, From the pillow lift not my head.

Yver, vous n'estes qu'un villain

Cold winter! villain that thou art How sweet to see along my way, The tokens of April and May Around me shown in ev'ry part; To see the sombre woodland bow'rs Burst into leaf at spring's gay call, And river banks, meadows, and all, Put on their livery of flowers. But thou, winter, mak'st us smart With snowstorm, wind, hail, all the day. Fain would I exile thee for aye. So frankly say I unto thee: Cold winter, villain that thou art.

(tr. Nita Cox)

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Soprano

Twylla Augustson Liliane Cromer Virginia Dufresne Kim Mattice Sally McIntosh Darlene Schubert Janet Tonin Lynn Tyler

Tenor

Ian Armstrong Michael Clark Ross French Glen Halls Wayne Lemire Myles McIntosh

Alto

Edette Gagné Alison Grant Maureen McIntosh Barbara McKinley Joy-Anne Murphy Ann Marie Neudorf Marla Zapach

Bass

Sean Bodie Graham Brockley Roland Fix Damian Hayden Anthony Law Michael Prokopiw