

### Presenting Ofra Harnoy, cellist

Friday, October 29, 1993 at 8 pm Convocation Hall, Arts Building University of Alberta

### Program

Cello Sonata No. 1 in E minor, Op. 38

**Johannes Brahms** (1833 - 1897)

Cello Sonata in A minor, "arpeggione" D. 821

Intermission

Cello Sonata in C major, Op. 119

Franz Schubert (1797 - 1828)

**Sergey Prokofiev** (1891 - 1953)

Ms Harnoy will present a masterclass On Saturday, October 30 at 2:00 pm in Convocation Hall. Admission is free and all are welcome to attend.

#### Nicholas Arthur Kilburn Memorial Concert Series

This series of annual concerts was organized in memory of Nicholas Arthur Kilburn (1875-1931), a former member of the University of Alberta Board of Governors, by his sons the late Nicholas Weldon and Peter (BA, University of Alberta, 1929). Ms Harnoy's presence here tonight was made possible by the generosity of the Kilburn family.

1981: Jorge Boulet, pianist 1982: (Spring) York Winds. 1982: (Fall) Vancouver Chamber Choir 1989: Marek Jablonski, pianist 1983: Shura Cherkassky, pianist 1984: Guy Fallot, cellist 1985: Elly Ameling, soprano

1986: Eugene Istomin, pianist

- 1987: Franco Gulli, violinist
- 1988: Maureen Forrester, contralto
- 1990: Joseph Swensen, violinist
- 1991: Kaaren Erickson, soprano
- 1992: Detlef Kraus, pianist

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## **Coming Events**

**Tuesday, at 8 pm November 2, 1993** Convocation Hall

Saturday, at 8 pm November 6, 1993 Westend Christian Reformed Church, 10015 - 149 Street Faculty Recital: William Street, saxophone, with Roger Admiral, piano, and Geoffrey Whittal, percussion. Program will include works by Pascal, Defaye, and Chatman. Admission: \$7/adult, \$5/student/senior.

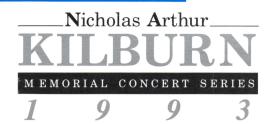
Academy Strings Concert, Norman Nelson, director. Program: Wiren Serenade for String Orchestra, Op. 11; Arnold Organ Concerto, Op. 47, Gertrude Olford, organ soloist; Mahler Adagietto, from Symphony No. 5. Sponsored by Musica Festiva. Admission: \$9/adult, \$6/student/senior, \$25/family.



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For additional concert and ticket information, please contact: The University of Alberta, Department of Music, 3-82 Fine Arts Building, 492-3263. The Department of Music is privileged to welcome...

#### **Derek Bampton**

Accompanist for Ofra Harnoy, Kilburn Artist

Derek Bampton is noted for his beautiful singing tone and attention to the finest musical details. He studied in Vienna and Salzburg's famed Mozarteum Academy of Music. He was the first Canadian pianist to be invited to Mozart's own instrument in the composer's home of birth before a select audience. He has appeared both as soloist and accompanist in Austria, Portugal, Italy, China, India, Trinidad, Puerto Rico, England, Canada and the United States.

Mr. Bampton has played in some of the world's finest concert halls, including Salzburg's New Festival Hall, London's Wigmore Hall, New York's Kaufmann Hall at the 92nd Street Y, Toronto's Massey Hall, and Geneva's Conservatoire du Musique. He has appeared as soloist with Salzburg's Mozarteum Orchestra, the Vancouver Symphony, the CBC Montréal Symphony, the CBC Toronto Symphony, and has appeared frequently on CBC Radio and on CBC TV, as well as Radio Vienna, Radio Salzburg and Radio Portugal. Mr. Bampton has performed at many of Canada's finest summer festivals, was awarded a grant from the Canada Council and has played at Rideau Hall for the Governor General of Canada. Other artists with whom he has collaborated include: Maureen Forrester, Yo-Yo Ma, Jan Peerce and Jon Vickers.

> Ofra Harnoy appears by arrangement with Columbia Artists Management, Inc.

