Musicians

Non Sequitur

Dorothy Kidd, trumpet Roger Admiral, piano

All Cruels Else Subscrib'd

Michelle Milenkovic, voice Adam Wiebe, flute Keith Hills, piano Nicholas Jacques, percussion

The November of My Soul

The Strathcona String Quartet Jennifer Buston, violin Rebecca Schellenberg, violin George Andrix, viola Josephine von Lier, cello

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Conductor: John Brough

Soloists: Jolaine Kerley

Catherine Kubash Benila Ninan

Chrissie-Jane Cronjé

Choir: Ebony Chapman

Jessica Heine

Tanis Holt

Nina Hornjatkevyc

Julie Ingraham

Melanie Konynenberg Shannon Markovitch Jorgianne Talbot Colin Armstrong

Percy Graham Sam Hudson

Marco Burak

Rob Kelly Dwane Kunitz Doug Laver

Jay Summach
Duncan Wambugu

Mark Hannesson

Composition Recital

December 11, 2000 Convocation Hall University of Alberta



Burdizzo (Electroacoustic Music)

A burdizzo is the tool used in the castration of bulls. The piece is an exploration of violence in sound. It is made up of contrasting sound mass collages against short outbursts, both containing violent imagery in an inaudible, pseudo-subliminal vocal text. The sound sources used range from electric guitar to voice to claps of thunder and so on.

Non Sequitur (for Piano & Trumpet)

A single moment in time stretched over several minutes. The spectral content (pitch/frequency) of a single note generates the material for the piece on all levels.

All Cruels Else Subscrib'd

(for Voice, Flute, Piano, Percussion and Electroacoustic Music)

Based on Shakespeare's King Lear. Lear having lost his kingdom to his evil daughters now begins to lose his mind. The once powerful monarch rails against the storm raging in his crumbling mind.

intermission

During the intermission and at the reception **Pwca** will be displayed. It may be viewed at one of two stations located at the foot of the stage and in the lobby.

Pwca (2D Animation with Electroacoustic Music)

The pwca is the Welsh version of the fairy more commonly known as Puck. Sometimes taking the form of a spirit-horse he would carry late night travelers of on a terrifying ride which often ended with a dunking in a river.

The piece, Pwca, deals with the feeling of disorientation caused by being lost in the woods.

Ropes of Sand (Electroacoustic Music)

The title alludes to the technique of granular synthesis in which many <u>very</u> small grains of sound are combined to create larger composite sounds. The piece is made from a single, initial sound source, the composer's voice.

love our so right a which of a wind (for Choir)

text by E. E. Cummings

The November of My Soul (for String Quartet)

Based on Melville's Moby Dick.

- <u>Loomings</u>: Ishmael contemplates whether to commit suicide or to go to sea to alleviate his deep depression.
- Midnight Aloft: In the forecastle of the ship a party slowly shifts from revelry to violence. Meanwhile, high above in the crowsnest a sailor watches a terrible storm approach.
- The Forge: Ahab goes to the ship's blacksmith to have a very special harpoon made. While discussing the very nature of suffering he baptizes the blade in the blood of the ship's harpooners.

Reception to follow in the Arts Lounge

This recital is presented in partial fulfillment of the requirements for the Master of Music degree.



love our so right

poetry by E.E. Cummings

love our so right is, all (each thing most lovely) sweet things cannot spring but we be they'll

some or if where shall breathe a new (silverly rare goldenly so) moon, she is you

nothing may, quite your my (my your and) self without, completely dare be beautiful

one if should sing (at yes of day) younger than young bird first for joy, he's i he's i

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what if a much of a which of a wind

poem by E.E. Cummings

what if a much of a which of a wind gives the truth to summer's lie; bloodies with dizzying leaves the sun and yanks immortal stars awry? Blow king to beggar and queen to seem (blow friend to fiend:blow space to time) -when skies are hanged and oceans drowned, the single secret will still be man

what if a keen of lean wind flays screaming hills with sleet and snow: strangles valleys by ropes of thing and stifles forests in white ago? Blow hope to terror; blow seeing to blind (blow pity to envy and soul to mind) -whose hearts are mountains, roots are trees, it's they shall cry hello to the spring

what if a dawn of a doom of a dream bites this universe in two? peels forever out of his grave and sprinkles nowhere with me and you? Blow soon to never and never to twice (blow life to isn't:blow death to was) -all nothing's only our hugest home; the most who die,the more we live

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