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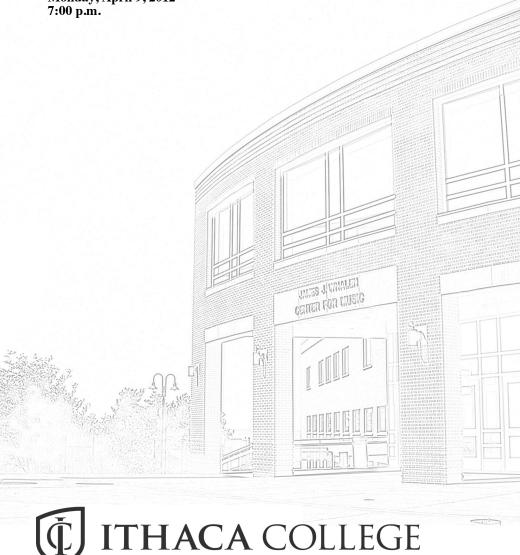
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Sean Cotty, piano Thillman Benham, cello

Hockett Family Recital Hall Monday, April 9, 2012







Program

Sei Mia Gioia

G. F. Handel (1685-1759)

Qual Farfalletta

Thillman Benham, cello

Air Chantés

Air Romantique Air Champêtre Air Grave Air Vif Francis Poulenc (1899-1963)

Mein Herr Marquis from Die Fledermaus Johann Strauss II (1825-1899)

Intermission

I Hate Music!

I. My Name is Barbara II. Jupiter Has Seven Moons

III. I Hate Music

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IV. A Big Indian and a Little Indian

V. I'm a Person Too

Leonard Bernstein (1918-1990)

Tonadillas al estilo antiguo

El Majo Discreto

El tra la la y el punteado El Mirar de la Maja

Amor y Odio

La Maja de Goya

Enrique Granados (1867-1916)

This Junior Recital is in partial fulfillment of the degree Vocal Performance. Alexandra Haines is from the studio of Ivy Walz.

Notes

The opera "Partenope" was composed by George Frideric Handel and written by librettist Silvio Stampiglia. It conveys the story of Queen Partenope of Naples, and her pursuit of a faithful, loving king. Partenope loves Arsace, who in turn, loves Rosmira (but to pursue Partenope, he left her at the altar on their wedding day). Rosmira dresses up as a man and "pursues" Partenope (while she is actually using her disguise to investigate Arsace's credibility)... In the end, Partenope discovers Rosmira and Arsace's love, and thereby chooses Armindo, one of Partenope's many courtiers, who has been faithful all along in his devotion to Partenope. These following arias are sung to the ever-confused Arsace.

Sei Mia Gioia

Sei mia gioia, ei mio bene, Sei mia pace e mia speranza. Del mio core la costanza Sarà sempre la tua spene.

Qual Farfalletta

Qual farfalletta giro a quel lume

E'l mio Cupido le belle piume ardendo va.

Quel brio m'alletta; perchè m'è fido,

La mia costanza ogn'altra avanza, cangiar non sa.

You are My Joy

You are my joy, you are my asset, You are my peace and my hope. My heart's constancy Will always be your hope.

Like a Butterfly

Like a butterfly, I flutter around that fire

And my Cupid's beautiful feathers set on fire.

This flame attracts me, because he is faithful,

And my constancy advances beyond all else, and will not change.

Air Chantés

Francis Poulenc was known to set compositions with poems that depicted very realistic scenes. His cycle "Air Chantés" is different, as it is set to the poetry of Symbolist writer Jean Moréas. Poulenc's originally wanted, in "Air Chantés" to deride Moréas's poetry. Poulenc believed that his intricate and rich harmonies would be enough to sharply contrast and belittle the "shallow" text of Moréas. Poulenc's efforts proved fruitless, however. Moréas' career was quite unaffected, and Poulenc's harmonies actually added, rather than took away, color and profundity to Moréas' poetry.

Air Romantique

J'allais dans la campagne avec le vent d'orage,

Sous le pâle matin, sous les nuages bas;

Un corbeau ténébreux escortait mon voyage,

Et dans les flaques d'eau retentissaient mes pas.

La foudre à l'horizon faisait courir sa flamme

Et l'Aquilon doublait ses longs gémissements;

Mais la tempête était trop faible pour mon âme,

Qui couvrait le tonnerre avec ses battements.

De la dépouille d'or du frêne et de l'érable

L'Automne composait son éclatant butin,

Et le corbeau toujours, d'un vol inexorable,

M'accompagnait sans rien changer à mon destin.

Air Champêtre

Belle source, belle source, Je veux me rappeler sans cesse, Qu'un jour, guidé par l'amitié Ravi, j'ai contemplé ton visage, ô dèesse,

Romantic Air

I went through the countryside in the stormy wind,

Under the pale morning, under the low clouds;

A gloomy raven escorted my journey,

And my steps echoed in the puddles.

The lightning at the horizon made its flame run

And the North Wind doubled its extensive howling;

But the storm was too weak for my soul,

Which sounded above the thunder with its beating.

Of gold garments of the ash and the maple,

Autumn arranged its glistening spoils,

And evermore the raven, in unrelenting flight,

Accompanied me without changing my fate.

Pastoral Air

Beautiful spring, beautiful spring, I want to remember forever That one day, guided by friendship Delighted, I gazed at your face, o goddess, Perdu sous la mou, sous la mousse à moitié.

Que n'est-il demeuré, cet ami que je pleure,

O nymphe, à ton culte attaché,

Pour se mêler encore au souffle qui t'effleure,

Et répondre à ton flot caché.

Air Grave

Ah! fuyez à présent, Malheureuses pensées! O! colère, o! remords! Souvenirs qui m'avez Les deux tempes pressées, De l'étreinte des morts. Sentiers de mousse pleins, Vaporeuses fontaines, Grottes profondes, voix Des oiseaux et du vent Lumières incertaines Des sauvages sous-bois, Insectes animaux. Beauté future, Ne me repousse pas, Ô divine nature Je suis ton suppliant. Ah! fuyez à présent, Colère, remords!

Air Vif

Le trésor du verger et le jardin en fête,

Les fleurs des champs, des bois, éclatent de plaisir,

Hélas! hélas! Et sur leur tête le vent enfle sa voix.

Mais toi noble océan que l'assaut des tourmentes Ne saurait ravager Half concealed under the moss.

Had he remained, this friend for whom I mourn,

O nymph, I would adhere to your cult,

To mix again with the breeze that touches you

And to respond to your hidden torrents.

Serious Air

Ah! Flee now Unhappy thoughts! Oh! Anger! Oh remorse! Memories that have Pressed both my temples With the grip of the dead. Paths of thick moss, Vaporous fountains, Deep caves, voices Of birds and of the wind Blurred lights Of wild undergrowth, Insects, animals, Beauty becoming, Do not turn me away, Oh divine nature I am your suppliant. Ah! Flee now, Anger, remorse!

Lively Air

The treasure of the orchard and the festive garden,

The flowers of the fields and the woodlands burst with pleasure,

Alas! Alas! And over their heads the wind raises his voice.

But you noble ocean that the attack of storms
Has not ravaged

Certes plus dignement, lorsque tu te lamentes,

Tu te prends à songer.

Certainly more dignified, once you lament,

You lose yourself in dreams.

"Die Fledermaus" (The Bat) is an operetta composed by Johann Strauss II, to a libretto by Karl Haffner and Richard Genée. Its plot centers around deception and mischievous, witty schemes, which in turn create comical effect. Adele, the chambermaid of Lord Eisenstein, sings this aria upon being caught by Eisenstein at a party (when she is supposed to be working!). She effectively convinces the "Lord Marquis" that she cannot be his chambermaid, as she is far too refined. She then breaks into a well-acted laughter.

Mein Herr Marquis

Mein Herr Marquis, ein Mann wie Sie sollt' besser das versteh'n! Darum rate ich, ja genauer sich die Leute anzuseh'n! Die Hand ist doch wohl gar zo fein, ah, dies Füßchen so zierlich und klein,

Die Sprache, die ich führe die Taille, die Tournüre, dergleichen finden Sie bei einer Zofe nie!

Gestehen müssen Sie fürwahr: sehr komisch dieser Irrtum war.

Ja, sehr komisch, ha ha ha, ist die Sache, ha ha ha! Drum verzeih'n Sie, ha ha ha, Wenn ich lache, ha ha ha..! Ach, sehr komisch, Herr Marquis, sind Sie!

Mit dem Profil im griech'schen Stil beschenkte mich Natur. Wenn nicht dies Gesicht schon genügend spricht, so seh'n Sie die Figur! Schau'n durch die Lorgnette Sie dann, ah, sich diese Toilette nur an, ah.

My Lord Marquis

My Lord Marquis, a man like you

should understand better! Therefore I advise you to look at people more closely! My hands are far too delicate, ah,

my feet are too dainty and small, ah.

The language that I speak, the waistline, my shape, are the likes of which you will never find in a chambermaid! You must truly admit: this mistake is quite funny.

Yes, very funny, ha ha ha, is the thing, ha ha ha! Therefore excuse me, ha ha ha, When I laugh, ha ha ha...! Oh my, how funny, lord marquis, are you!

With a profile in the Grecian style nature has endowed me.

If this face doesn't already say enough,
Then observe my figure!

Look through your lorgnette then, ah, only at this party dress, ah.

Mir scheinet wohl, die Liebe macht Ihre Augen trübe; Der schönen Zofe Bild hat ganz Ihr Herz erfüllt! Nun sehen Sie sie überall; Sehr komisch ist fürwahr der Fall.

It certainly seems that love makes your eyes blurry; the image of a pretty chambermaid has completely filled your heart! Now you see her everywhere; This situation is indeed very funny.

Ja, sehr komisch...

Yes, very funny...

I Hate Music

As a footnote to his song cycle "I Hate Music," Leonard Bernstein wrote: "In the performance of these songs, coyness is to be assiduously avoided. The natural, unforced sweetness of child expressions can never be successfully gilded; rather it will come through the music in proportion to the dignity and sophisticated understanding of the singer." Barbara, the speaker in this set, therefore emerges as a strong little ten-year old, with an extraordinary inquisitiveness about the world that is around her.

Tonadillas al estilo antiguo

The paintings of Francisco de Goya were very much an inspiration to Enrique Granados y Campiña, one of the premiere Spanish composers of the early 20th Century. Many of Granados' compositions were written to represent scenes in the lives of Spanish majos and majas, which Goya had depicted in a number of his paintings. Granados wrote "Goyescas," a suite for piano, and an opera also named "Goyescas." He also set a list of poetry by Fernando Periquet, which brought stories of the majos and majas to life, and entitled the set "Tonadillas al estilo antiguo." The majos flourished in Spain from the late eighteenth century to the early nineteenth century. They were the Bohemian, lower class of Spain, and they were known for the exaggerations of traditional Spanish dress that they wore, to contrast the French influenced style of the upper classes. They were known for their saucy attitudes and for their vivacious freedom.

El Majo Discreto

Dicen que mi majo es feo;

Es possible que sí que lo sea, Que amor es deseo que ciega y marea. Ha tiempo que sé que quien ama no

ve.

Mas si no es mi majo un hombre Que por lindo descuelle y asombre,

The Discreet Majo

There are those who say that my majo is ugly;

It is possible that if he is,
That love is desire that blinds and
dizzies.

For a time I have known that there are things love doesn't see.

But even if my majo is not a man That by looks is outstanding, En cambio es discreto y guarda un secreto

Que yo posé en el sabiendo que es fiel.

¿Cuál es el secreto que el majo guardó?

Sería indiscreto contarlo yo. No poco trabajo costara saber

Secretos de un majo con una mujer. Nació en Lavapies. ¡Eh! ¡Eh! Es un majo, un majo es.

El tra la la y el punteado

Es en balde, majo mio, Que sigas hablando, Porque hay cosas que contesto

Yo siempre cantando.
Tra la la...
Por mas que preguntes tanto,
Tra la la...
En mi no causas quebranto,
Ni yo he de salir de mi canto
La la la...

El Mirar de la Maja

¿Por qué es en mis ojos tan hondo el mirar?

Que a fin de cortar desdenes y enojos los suelo entornar.

Qué fuego dentro llevarán Que si acaso con calor los clavo en mi amor,

Sonrojo me dan.

Por eso el chispero a quien mi alma dí,

Al verse ante mí me tira el sombrero

At least he is discreet, and he guards a secret

That I confided in him, knowing that he is trustworthy.

What is the secret that the majo keeps?

It would be indiscreet for me to tell. No small amount of effort will be enough to know

The secrets of a majo and a woman, He was born in Lavapies.

Eh! Eh! He's a majo, a majo he is.

The tra la la and the guitar-strum

It is in vain, my majo, For you to persist,

Because there are some things which I answer

Only in a song.

Tra la la!

No matter how much you ask,

Tra la la;

You cannot distress me,

And I will not end my song

La la la.

The Gaze of the Maja

Why do my eyes have such a dark look?

So as to mask scorn and anger, I look to the ground.

Such fire they carry,

That if by chance, with pain, I fix them on my love,

I blush.

For this, the Chispero to whom I gave my soul,

When meeting me, threw down his hat

Y díceme asi: Mi maja! No me mires más,

Que tus ojos rayos son,

Y ardiendo en pasión, la muerte me dan.

Amor y Odio

Pensé que yo sabria ocultar la pena mía,

Que por star en lo profundo,

No alcanzara a ver el mundo

Este amor callado que un majo malvado

En mi alma encendió.

Y no fue así, porque el vislumbró

El pesar oculto en mi.

Pero fue en vano que vislumbrara,

Pues el villano mostrose ajeno de que le amara,

Y esta es la pena que sufro ahora:

Sentir mi alma llena De amor por quien me olvida, Sin que una luz alentadora Surja en las sombras de mi vida.

La Maja de Goya

Yo no olvidaré en mi vida De Goya la imagen gallarda y querida.

No hay hembra ni maja o señora

Que a Goya no eche de menos ahora.

Si yo hallara quien me amára Como él me amó,

No envidiara, no, ni anhelara Más venturas ni dichas yo. And said this: My maja! Do not look at me anymore,

Because your eyes are like lightning, And they are so ardent in passion, that they kill me.

Love and Hate

I thought that I would know how to hide my sorrow,

To hide it so well

That the world would not be able to see

This silent love that a wicked majo

Fired in my soul.

But it was not enough, because he perceived

My secret suffering.

But it was in vain that he perceived it,

For the villain proved indifferent to my loving him,

And this is the pain that I suffer now:

To feel my soul full
Of love for one who forgets me,
Without one hopeful light
To brighten the shadows of my life.

Goya's Maja

I will never forget in my life
The striking and beloved image of
Goya.

There is not a woman, or maja, or lady

Who does not miss Goya now.

If I found one who could love me Like he loved me, I would not desire, or long for

Greater fortune or happiness.

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