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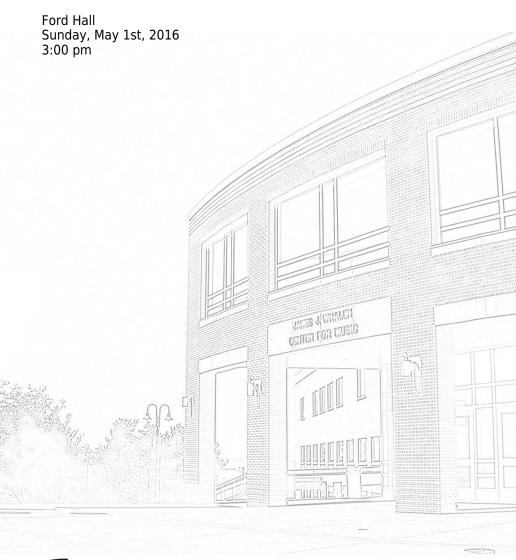
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## **Graduate Conducting Recital:**

Emily Preston, graduate conductor

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## **Program**

## Ithaca College Women's Chorale Emily Preston, graduate conductor Madeleine Parkes, collaborative pianist

Misa Pequeña

Francisco J. Nuñez (b.1965)

I. Señor, Ten Piedad

Lauren Hoalcraft. Christina Dimitriou, soloists

III. Creo en Dios

II. Gloria a Dios

Emily Gaggiano, Christina Christiansen, soloists

IV. Santo, Santo, Santo

V. Cordero de Dios

Alexandria Kemp, soloist

The Little Road

Moira Smiley

Megan Benjamin, Emily Beseau, Christina Christiansen, Elizabeth Embser, Haley Evanovski, Edda Fransdottir, Annina Hseih, Mattina Keith, Alexandria Kemp, Gillian Lacey, Alexa Mancuso, Karimah White

Panta Rhei

Jim Papoulis (b.1953)

Blessing

Katie Moran Bart

Janet Galván, Conductor

**Intermission** 

## Ithaca College Choir Emily Preston, graduate conductor James Lorusso, collaborative pianist

Gloria Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart from Coronation Mass (1756-1791) Heather C. Barnes, Hector Gonzalez Smith, Stephen Tzianabos, D'quan Tyson, soloists

Ah Dolente Partita Giaches de Wert

(1535-1596)

Abendlied Johannes Brahms

(1833-1897)

Evening Prayer Ola Gjeilo

(b.1978)

Matthew Stookey, saxophone

Lord Send Your Spirit Raymond Wise

(b. 1961)

Andrew Hedge, drumset

## **Program Notes**

## Misa Pequeña Para Niños (Little Mass for Children)

This Spanish setting of the Catholic mass was written by Francisco J. Nuñez after the passing of his father when Nuñez was 14 years old. Its haunting melodies and modal harmonies create a feeling of meditation and spiritual transcendence. Each of the mass's five movements creates a unique atmosphere.

Misa Pequena has been with me for many years and I have sung and directed it in various contexts throughout my life journey. I have approached it as an amateur singer and mature singer, as well as an amateur conductor. I am thrilled to be performing it again as a more mature conductor.

I. Señor, Ten Piedad Señor, ten piedad Christo, ten piedad Señor, ten piedad

II. Gloria a Dios Gloria a Dios en las Alturas, Y en la tierra paz a los hombres Te damos gracias, Señor Dios, Rey celestial

III. Creo en Dios Creo en Dios, Padre todopoderoso Un solo Dios, Padre todopoderoso Creador del cielo y de la tierra De todo visible y invisible

IV. Santo, Santo, Santo Santo, Santo Santo Dios del universo Llenos estan el cielo y la tierra de tu Gloria Hosanna en el cielo. Bendito el que viene en nombre del Señor

V. Cordero de Dios Cordero de Dios, que quitas el pecado del mundo Ten piedad de nosotros Danos la paz. Amen. I. Lord, have mercy Lord, have mercy Christ, have mercy Lord, have mercy

II. Glory to God Glory to God in the Highest And peace to his people on earth We give you thanks, Lord God, almighty

III. We believe in God.
I (we) believe in God, the Father almighty
One God only, the Father almighty
Maker of heaven and earth
Of all that is seen and unseen

IV. Holy, Holy Holy
Holy, holy, holy
God of power and might
Heaven and earth are full of your
glory
Hosanna in the highest
Blessed is he who comes in the name
of the Lord

V. Lamb of God Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world. Have mercy on us Grant us peace. Amen.

## Panta Rhei

"The text of Panta Rhei combines a few phrases and words in Greek that speak to qualities exemplifying inner strength. The translation of 'Panta Rhei' is 'All things are in flux,' and through it I explore the rhythms, patterns, and cycles of life. The rhythms and vocal patterns are varied, as life is; the structure is as traditional as the cyces of life, with a strong female presence defining it. It is no coincidence that this piece is written for the female voice. I have been fortunate to be surrounded by many strong women throughout my life. My mother remains a major influence on the way I look at the world; my four sisters taught me that women are complex and insightful; and my own two daughters remind me to meet the world each day with compassion." -Notes from the composer

Panta Rhei All things are in flux Voeethia Flv awav Metron Ahriston Best rhythm Kteema es ai Easiest rhythm

## Gloria from Coronation Mass, K. 317

Gloria in excelsis Deo

Et in terra pax hominibus bonae

voluntatis Laudamus te Benedicimus te

Adoramus te Glorificamus te

Gratias agimus propter magnam

gloriam tuam

Domine Deus, Rex celestis Deus Pater omnipotens'

Domine fili unigenite, Jesu Christe Domine Deus, Agnus Dei, Filius Patris Qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere

nobis

Suscipe deprecationem nostram Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris,

miserere nobis

Quoniam tu solus sanctus, tu solus

**Dominus** 

Tu solus altissimus

Jesu Christo, cum sancto Spiritu, In

gloria Dei Patris.

Amen.

Gloria to God in the highest

And on earth peace to people of good

will.

We praise you We bless you We adore you We glorify you.

We give you thanks for your great

glory.

Lord God, heavenly King. O God, almighty Father

Lord Jesus Christ, only begotten son Lord God, lamb of God, son of the Father

You take away the sins of the world,

have mercy on us Receive our prayer.

You are seated at the right hand of

the Father.

You alone are the holy one, the Lord You alone are the most High Jesus Christ, with the holy spirit, in

the glory of Father God.

Amen.

## Ah! Dolente Partita

Ah, dolente partita! Ah, fin de la mia vita! Da te parto e non moro? E pur i provo La pena de la morte E sento nel partire Un vivace morire.

Che da vita al dolore Per far che moia immortalmente il

core.

Ah, painful parting! Ah, end of my life!

From thee I leave and I don't die?

But I feel

The pain of death And I feel on leaving A lively dvina.

Which gives life to pain To let my heart immortally die.

## **Abendlied**

The text of Brahms' beautiful Abendlied draws parallels between the view looking back on the day as one tries to go to sleep, and the view looking back on one's life as it is coming to an end in old age. In both cases, the poet concludes that joy and pain will both melt away and peace will surely come. Brahms masterfully employs the harmonic language of romanticism to express this sentiment, as cheerful diatonic sections contrast with moodier, chromatic harmonies in the sections depicting pain. In the end, the piece leaves the listener with the feeling that the bad can be left behind and sleep will come peacefully.

Friedlich bekämpfen Nacht sich und Tag. Wie das zu dämpfen, Wie das zu lösen vermag!

Der mich bedrückte, Schläfst du schon, Schmerz? Was mich beglückte Sage, was war's doch, mein Herz?

Freude wie Kummer, Fühl' ich, zerrann, Aber den Schlummer Führten sie leise heran.

Und im Entschweben, Immer empor, Kommt mir das Leben Ganz, wie ein Schlummerlied vor. Peacefully does night struggle with the day: how to muffle it, how to dissolve it.

That which depressed me, are you already asleep, o Pain? That which made me happy, say, what was it, my heart?

Joy, like anguish, I feel has melted away, but they have gently invoked slumber instead.

And as I float away, ever skyward, it occurs to me that life is just like a lullaby.

## Notes from the Conductor

This recital would not have been possible without the help of many people. First, I am thankful to my entire cohort of graduate students who guided me with many details of this production. As we say, "it takes a village to help Emily put on her recital." Special thanks to my friends Heather Barnes and Adam Good who keep my spirits up every day. In the music office, I received constant support from Erik Kibblesbeck and Derek Wallace on logistical matters. A huge thanks goes to Patrice Pastore who has given me the best private voice instruction of my life these past two years. I am also forever indebted to my mother, Bethany Queen, daughter Linnea and to Delvin Collier who have believed in me and encouraged me every step of the way.

Most importantly, I would like to thank my teacher and mentor, Dr. Janet Galván. From the time I was a child, you nurtured my talent and taught me to take my artistry to a higher level. You showed me the path to excellence through self-discipline and constant renewal of inspiration. You never have stopped teaching me new things and pushing me to be a better musician, teacher, and conductor. As with many before me, my life has been changed by you!

## **Personnel**

## Ithaca College Women's Chorale

## Soprano I

Christina Dimitriou Ann-Marie Iacoviello Erin Kohler

## Soprano I/II

Jennifer Amend Sherly-Ann Belleus Megan Benjamin Andrea Bickford Christina Christiansen Elizabeth Embser Haley Evanoski Allison Fay Edda Fransdottir Caroline Fresh Julia Gershkoff Megan Jones Rachel Rappaport Anastasia Sereda Carolynn Walker

## Soprano II

Emily Gaggiano Laura Hoalcraft Annina Hsieh Carrie Lindeman Deanna Payne Haley Servidone

## Soprano II/Alto I

Anne Brady Alexandria Kemp

### Alto I

Olivia Bartfield Emily Beseau Jenna Capriglione Sophie Israelsohn Casey Quinn Rachel Silverstein Katie White

## Alto I/Alto II

Danielle Avicolli McKinny Danger-James Olivia Hunt Mattina Keith Gillian Lacey Alexa Mancuso Meghan Murray

## Alto II

Tayman Baker Kate Bobsein D'Laney Bowry Virginia Douglas Stephanie Feinberg Carolyn Kruzona Hannah Martin Abby Sullivan Elyse Wadsworth Karimah White

## **Ithaca College Choir**

## Soprano I

Emily Behrmann-Fowler\* Magdalyn Chauby\* Juliana Child\* Kathleen Maloney\* Laura McCauley

## Soprano II

Heather Barnes Kimberly Dyckman Amanda Galluzzo Imogen Mills\* Josi Petersen Lily Saffa\*

#### Alto I

Natalia Bratkovski Hector Gonzalez Smith Nicholas Kelliher Sarah Loeffler Victoria Trifiletti Ariana Warren

#### Alto II

Catherine Barr Claire Noonen\* Bergen Price Sunhwa Reiner\* Laura Stedge Jessica Voutsinas Caitlin Walton\*

### Tenor I

Seamus Buxton Jacob Cordie\* Adam Good\* Jacob Kerzner Duncan Krummel Taylor Smith Patrick Starke

#### Tenor II

Kyle Banks Drew Carr\* Timothy Powers Adam Tarpey Stephen Tzianabos Bradley Whittemore

### **Baritone**

Nick Duffin Joshua Dufour\* Sean Gillen James Lorusso Holden Turner D'quan Tyson\* Marshall Pokrentowski

#### Bass

Ethan Fisher Michael Galvin\* Sean Gatta William Leichty Logan Mednick Michael White

## **Mozart Orchestra**

## Violin I:

Lauretta Werner, concertmaster Emily Kenyon Reuben Foley

## Violin II:

Hannah Lin, principal Becky Johnson Henry Smith

#### Cello:

Madeline Swartz

#### Bass:

Christian Chesanek

### Organ:

Christopher Davenport

#### Ohne

Ellen O'Neill, principal Melissa DeMarinis

## Bassoon:

Sonja Larson Andrew Meys

## Trumpet:

Jason Ferguson Matt Allen

### Horn:

Ben Futterman Neil Patrick Holcomb

### Timpani:

Justin Cusick

<sup>\*</sup> small group for Ah Dolente Partita