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# presents CACHE SYMPHONY

# ORCHESTRA

NOVEMBER 19, 2016 7:00 P.M. Morgan Theater

FEATURING PIANISTS KARLA AXTELL AND KATHLEEN LLOYD

# DR. MARK EMILE

CONDUCTOR



**UtahState**University

#### Program

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Peer Gynt Suite No.1.....Edvard Grieg

Åse's Death Anitra's Dance In the Hall of the Mountain King

# Carnival of the Animals.....Camille Saint-Saëns

Featuring pianists Karla Axtell and Kathleen Lloyd

Introduction and Royal March of the Lion Hens and Roosters Wild Asses: Swift Animals Tortoises Kangaroos Aquarium People with Long Ears Cuckoo in the Depths of the Woods Aviary Pianists Fossils The Swan Finale

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Finlandia.....Jean Sibelius

# **Program Notes**

## Night on Bald Mountain—Modest Mussorgsky (1839-1881)

Mussorgsky's musical picture of *St. John's Eve on Bald Mountain*, now known as *Night of Bald Mountain*, was inspired by both Russian literary works and by legend. It represents a witches' Sabbath occurring on St. Johns Eve. Ironically, Mussorgsky completed the composition on St. John's Eve in 1867. The work was never performed during Mussorgsky's lifetime, but five years after his death, an arrangement and re-orchestration of the work was published by Rimsky-Korsakov. It was premiered in St. Petersburg in 1886. This work was featured in Walt Disney's 1940 version of *Fantasia*.

## Peer Gynt Suite No.1—Edvard Grieg (1843-1907)

Henrik Ibsen wrote a five-act play telling the story of Peer Gynt, a Norwegian scoundrel, who in addition to being lazy and impetuous, dreamed of ruling the world. The play acted out his life of dreams, misdeeds, and travels. Ibsen asked his friend, Edvard Grieg, to compose the music for the play. After much inner turmoil, Grieg completed the music in 1875 and the play premiered in 1876 in Oslo, with Grieg conducting the orchestra. The original score consisted of 23 individual pieces totaling nearly 90 minutes of music. In 1888 and 1891, Grieg extracted

eight movements from the score to make two four-movement suites (Suite No.1 Op. 46 and Suite No.2 Op. 55). Only these two suites of music were available from the play, until the original score was published in 1908, one year after Grieg's death.

1. **Morning**: This movement captures the sunrise in Norwegian forests and mountains, with birds singing, and the world fresh and anew.

2. Åse's Death: This elegy depicts Åse, Peer Gynt's mother, dying alone on a mountain.

3. Anitra's Dance: Anitra, a chieftain's daughter, dances seductively for Peer Gynt, who is infatuated with her.

4. In the Hall of the Mountain King: This piece depicts gnomes, and their bizarre dances, as they chase after Peer Gynt.

# Carnival of the Animals—Camille Saint-Saëns (1835-1921)

Saint-Saëns composed this work in February 1886, in a small Austrian village, where he retreated to following a disastrous concert tour of Germany. The work was scored for two pianos and a very small ensemble, and Saint-Saëns regarded this work as "such fun." It was intended for his students at the École Niedermeyer. but the first performance was a private concert in 1886. There were several private performances, but Saint-Saëns insisted that the work not be published during his lifetime. However, he did publish an arrangement of *The Swan* for solo cello and piano in 1886. The entire work was published in 1922, a year after his death.

#### And God Created Great Whales—Alan Hovhaness (1911-2000)

Alan Hovhaness was an American composer of Scottish and Armenian descent. He started composing at the age of four, and at the age of 14 completely dedicated himself to composing. Hovhaness investigated the ancient traditional music of India, Japan, South Korea, and Hawaii during a series of research trips from 1959 to 1962. Elements of this traditional music were incorporated into many of his pieces, including tonight's work. Hovhaness was a prolific composer, and is credited with 67 symphonies, over 434 Opus numbers, two ballets, and nine movie scores. This symphonic poem was commissioned by Andre Kostelanetz and the New York Philharmonic, and includes actual recorded humpback and bowhead whale sounds. The title comes from Genesis 1:21 in the King James Bible. The work was premiered on June 11, 1970 in New York City, and remains one of Hovhaness' most popular compositions.

#### Finlandia—Jean Sibelius (1865—1957)

Jean Sibelius is regarded as Finland's greatest composer. Much of Sibelius' music helped establish the Finnish national identity, as it sought independence from Russia. Sibelius composed *Finlandia* in 1899 as a disguised protest against the Russian Empire's increasing censorship. It was written for the Press Celebrations of 1899, and depicts the national struggle of the Finnish people. The work was performed under different names at different concerts to avoid Russian censorship. The piece ends with the quiet *Finlandia Hymn*. Sibelius reworked this hymn into a stand-alone piece, and words were added in 1941 by Veikko Koskenniemi. It is now one of the most important national songs of Finland. The hymn, with different words, has also been used as the Christian hymn *Be Still, My Soul*. During the last 30 years of his life, Sibelius produced no musical works. Finland still celebrates the composer's birthday every December 8<sup>th</sup> as the "Day of Finnish Music."

Program Notes by Randall Thunell

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# Violin I

John Knudson Silvia Pack Kathleen Llovd Sharon Kline Ann Austin Christine Hanks Sara Clark Megan Wright Dory Cochran Tiffany Peterson Boyd Edwards Lety Castillo Kristen Cropper **Emily Smith Emilee Young** Ashlev Butikofer Melanie Hicken Melanie Reeder

# Viotin II

**Rachel Wheeler** Janice McAllister **Courtney Goodin Katherine Snyder** Margie Anderson Beth Heaton **Heidee Spencer** Mary Sharp Wendy Ward **Brigham West** Kayla Wadsen Kari Manning Mitchell Atkinson **Brittany Festin** Ann Bailey Melanie Checketts RaeAnn Bell Telia West Marie Greenhalgh **Camille Nelson Rebecca Whitney** Asia Syndergaard Julia Williams

# Viola

Jayme Dunn Amanda Kippen Gary Pack Julie Gardner Conrad Dunn Clayton Johnson Megan Meier Corinne Clarkson Corinne Fowler Minette Morris Tara Schuster Nicole Kissell Adam Pack Austin Blanchard Holly Hills

#### Cello

David Stuart Dirk Pace Amy Henrie Deidre Newman Savannah Morgan Trista Funk Jessica Russell Brook Solorio Aaron Blanchard Janet Duncan Paul Cardon Camille Cardon Kristen Steiner Victoria Davidson Adam Sego

#### Bass

Richard Kline Tom Dixon Krystal Harris Patrick Clark Heidi Coe

Tuba Robert Heaton



#### **UtahState**University

# Oboe

Tamara Leake Lindsey Green Charla Horrocks Chris Hult

# **Clarinet**

Leslie Higley Jeneille Tams Daleen King

## Bassoon

Derek Steadman Tavlor Sorensen

#### Trombones

Jim Petersen Trina Dayley Andrea Thompson Blain Pack

#### Horns

Valerie Neslen James Miller Becky Berger Sarah Bytheway Nadine Edwards

## Flute/Piccolo

Anna Lisa Davidson Allyson Bailey Diane Curtis Kassi Brandow

## Trumpets

Morgan Davidson Trevor Teuscher Nathan Hult James Champange

#### Percussion

Randall Thunell Mikkel Skinner Rachel Ramsten Julie Gardner