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### ARKANSAS SAXOPHONE WORKSHOP

**GUEST ARTIST CONCERT** 

Connie Frigo, saxophone

with Eric Troiano, saxophone Jake Hertzog, guitar Benjamin Lorenzo, conductor University of Arkansas Saxophone Studio



#### **CONCERT PROGRAM**

Billie (2003)...... Jacob ter Veldhuis (b. 1951) Connie Frigo, saxophone Spaghetti **Farfalle** Eric Troiano, soprano saxophone Jacob Hertzog, electric guitar Benjamin Lorenzo, conductor Ensemble Dylan Matheny, soprano saxophone Bailey Ross, alto saxophone Tyler Trickey, alto saxophone Catherine Ryan, tenor saxophone Ryan Miller, tenor saxophone Quintin Roper, baritone saxophone Eric Aguilar, baritone saxophone Bachianas Brasileiras No. 5 (1938)......Heitor Villa-Lobos (1887–1959) arr. Frank Bongiorno Connie Frigo, alto saxophone soloist Rose Saxophone Quartet Bailey Ross, alto saxophone Erin Newberry, alto saxophone Rvan Miller, tenor saxophone Eric Aguilar, baritone saxophone Brawl (1998)......Annie Gosfield (b. 1960) Dylan Matheny, soprano saxophone Connie Frigo, alto saxophone Quintin Roper, tenor saxophone Eric Trojano, baritone saxophone Lo Yisa Goy (2007/2020) ......Stacy Garrop (b. 1969) Drifting (2014).......Corey Dundee (b. 1991) University of Arkansas Saxophone Ensemble Eric Aguilar, Nathan Alexander, Avery Angus, Markell Cox, Dylan Engholm, Crystal Espinosa, Haley Evans, Erin Faldon, Gabriel Garcia, Sallie Hendrix, Dylan Matheny, Ryan Miller, Max Morrow, Erin Newberry, Zechary Phouthavong, Quintin Roper, Bailey Ross, Catherine Ryan, Andrew Swerts, Tyler Trickey

#### **ARTIST BIOGRAPHY**

Dr. Connie Frigo is an accomplished soloist, chamber musician, teacher, speaker, and founder of numerous festivals. She is sought-after presenter on topics relating to professional development, entrepreneurship, creativity, and women in music, and is a steadfast organizer of interdisciplinary events with a focus on the creative process and engaging new audiences. She has at taught saxophone at UGA since 2011, and is the inaugural Chair of the North American Saxophone Alliance's Committee on the Status of Women, where her leadership has overseen the launch of a women's mentoring program.

Highlights of Frigo's career include six years with the premiere U.S. Navy Band, Washington, D.C., a position she won as a junior in college; seven years touring nationally as the baritone saxophonist with the New Century Saxophone Quartet; and faculty positions at the Universities of Tennessee, Maryland and Ithaca College prior to UGA. She is a Fulbright Scholar to the Netherlands, where she began a lifelong collaboration with Dutch 'avant pop' composer JacobTV.

In recent years, Frigo has traveled to Italy, Russia, Brazil and Panama to perform and teach. She has served on the faculties of the American Saxophone Academy at the Eastman School of Music, the Great Plains Saxophone Workshop (OK), and the Dakota Chamber Music Festival (ND). In August 2017, her trio, The Yargo Trio, featuring Angela Jones-Reus (flute) and Liza Stepanova (piano), released their debut album *Voices*, *Reimagined*, produced by Mark Records.

Graduates of Frigo's studio earn military band positions, university and public school teaching positions, and graduate assistantships at leading schools of music across the country, in addition to pursuing other career fields as double majors with music. Her students have won concerto, young artist, and chamber music competitions at national levels.

Frigo has been a part of commissioning and premiering the works of many composers including JacobTV, Bang On a Can co-founder David Lang, Ben Johnston, John Fitz Rogers, Joel Love and Peter van Zandt Lane, among others. In 2020, the Yargo Trio will premiere a new work written for them by Lowell Liebermann.

Frigo is a Henri Selmer Paris artist and D'Addario artist. She is a grant recipient of the National Endowment for the Arts, Aaron Copland Fund, Netherlands-America Foundation, and Chamber Music America. Her degrees are from Ithaca College (BM), The University of Illinois at Champaign-Urbana (MM), Conservatorium van Amsterdam (Fulbright, post-graduate performer's diploma) and The University of South Carolina (DMA).

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS AT THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS**

#### **FEBRUARY**

#### MO 28 University Symphony Orchestra

7:30 pm, Faulkner Performing Arts Center tickets at uark.universitytickets.com

#### MARCH

#### TU 1 Wind Symphony & 4:00 Concert Band 7:30 pm, Faulkner Performing Arts Center tickets at uark.universitytickets.com

#### WE 2 Hertzog Guitar Studio Recital 7:30 pm, Stella Boyle Smith Concert Hall free and open to the public

# TH 3 Treble Chorus & Recital Chorus 7:30 pm, Faulkner Performing Arts Center tickets at uark.universitytickets.com

## SU 6 Music Honors Recital 3:30 pm, Faulkner Performing Arts Center tickets at uark.universitytickets.com

#### MARCH, CONT.

#### MO 7 Guest Artist Concert: Drew Irwin, violin

7:30 pm, Stella Boyle Smith Concert Hall free and open to the public

#### TH 10 University Chamber Orchestra 7:30 pm, Stella Boyle Smith Concert Hall free and open to the public

#### SU 13 SHE Festival Faculty Collage 3:00 pm, YouTube Premiere youtube.com/c/uarkmusic

## TU 15 Arkansas Brassworks 7:30 pm, Stella Boyle Smith Concert Hall free and open to the public

#### SU 17 SHE Festival Student Collage 4:00 pm, YouTube Premiere youtube.com/c/uarkmusic

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