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“SWEET, SOUR, SALTY, & BITTER: MUSIC FOR THE FLAVORS OF OUR LIVES”

with

THE CHAMBER SINGERS
Dr. Geoffrey Boers, conductor

and

THE UNIVERSITY CHORALE
Dr. Giselle Wyers, conductor

7:30 PM
March 13, 2013
Meany Theater
PROGRAM

CHAMBER SINGERS
Dr. Geoffrey Boers, conductor
Johann van Niekerk, assistant conductor

SWEET: Down in the River to Pray ........................................Traditional (arr. Geoffrey Boers)

SALTY: La Nuit en Mer (The Night on the Sea) ......................................... Henk Badings (1907-1987)

   Serena Chin, piano
   The breeze swells our sail
   Here is the first star, shining
   on the wave that rocks us.
   Friends, let us sail in silence.
   In the night all sounds are stilled
   But the sea is the Living
   A moving immensity
   And tomorrow at high tide.
   We will meet at the shore’
   Triumphant!

   [Théodore Botrel]

BITTER: Plorate Filii Israel (“Weep O Daughters of Israel”) ..Giacomo Carrisimi (1605-1674)

   Weep, you children of Israel, bewail my hapless virginity, and for Jephthah’s only daughter,
   lament with songs of anguish.” Weep, you children of Israel, weep, all you virgins,
   and for Jephthah’s only daughter, lament with songs of anguish.

BITTER: The Wee Weaver (Celtic tune) ................................................................. arr. Geoffrey Boers

SWEET: Cells, Planets .................................................................................................. Little Grey Girlfriend

   Yelena Bagdasarova, soloist

SOUR: The Singer’s Closing Words ............................................................................. Veljo Tormis (b. 1930)

INTERMISSION
SWEET: *ICH LASSE DICH NICHT* .......................................................... J. S. BACH (1685-1750)

Matthew Blegen, DMA Choral Conducting

Ich lasse dich nicht

Du segnest mich denn, mein Jesu!

Weil du mein Gott und Vater bist

Dein Kind wirst du verlassen nicht

Du väterliches Herz

Ich bin ein armer Erdenkloss

Auf Erden weiss ich keinen Trost.

Matthew Blegen, DMA Choral Conducting

I will not let you go

Unless you bless me, my Jesus!

For you are my God and Father

you will not abandon your child

you fatherly heart.

I am but a poor lump of clay

On earth I know no consolation.

SALTY: *I SHALL NO MORE TO SEA* .................................................. MATTHEW HARRIS (b. 1956)

Daehan Kim, DMA Choral Conducting

BITTER: *BEATI QUORUM REMISSAE* ........................................... ZACHARY WADSWORTH (b. 1983)

Solo Octet:

Claire Koerner / Lucy Horton / Michelle Bretl / Emily Leopold

Eric Gintz / Mason Cole / Kassey Castro / Isaiah Lin

While I held my tongue, my bones withered away, because of my groaning all day long.

Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven, and whose sin is put away!

For your hand was heavy upon me day and night; my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer.

Happy are they to whom the Lord imputes no guilt, and in whose spirit there is no guile!

I said, “I will confess my transgressions to the Lord.” Then you forgave me with shouts of deliverance.

You are my hiding place, you preserve me from trouble; you surround me with shouts of deliverance.

SOUR: *PŪT VĒJNIŅI PŪT VĒJNIŅI* (Latvian Folk Song) .................. arr. IMANTS RAMIŅŠ (b. 1943)

Blow wind, drive my boat, take me to Kurzeme (Western Latvia).

A woman from Kurzeme promised me her daughter as a bride.

She promised, but didn’t fill the promise, calling me a drunkard.

She called me a drunkard, and a horse racer.

Where is the tavern in which I drank too much, whose horse did I run into the ground?!

I drink only for my own money, and I ride only my own horse.

Blow wind, drive my boat, take me to Kurzeme.

SALTY: *WHEN THAT I WAS AND A LITTLE TINY BOY* .......................... MATTHEW HARRIS (b. 1956)

SWEET: *45 DEGREES* ................................................................. ERIC HIMAN (arr. MORTEN KIER)

Serena Chin, piano

SWEET: *CORNERSTONE* .............................................................. SHAWN KIRCHNER (b. 1970)

Text from Psalm 118, Isaiah, John and 1 Corinthians

Sam Adiputra, Katie Krupin, Marisso Ho,

Amanda Williams, Erika Van Horne, Denna Good-Mojab, soloists
SOPRANO
Jenny Glusman, Glen Ridge, NJ
Denna Good-Mojab, Seattle
Lucy Horton, Bellevue
Shira Israel, Houston, TX
Claire Koerner, Boulder, CO
Ivana Lin, Redmond
Kimberly Gray, Bremerton
Sydney Manning, Anchorage, AK
Tami McTaggart, Port Orchard
Erika VanHorne, Mill Creek
Amanda Williams, Gig Harbor
Sara Wong, Perth, Australia

ALTO
Shannon Abbott, Duvall
Victoria Bravo, East Wenatchee
Michelle Bretl, Sammamish
Caitlin Budd, Manchester
Estefania Contreras, Everett
Marissa Ho, Cleveland, OH
Emma Jennings, Vancouver
Emily Leopold, Anacortes
Haein Lim, Seoul, South Korea
Christine Oshiki, Olympia
Stephanie Robinson, Seattle
Camrynne Sullivan, Spokane
Anne Wolken, Mukilteo
Yawen Ye, Beijing, China

BASS
Keith Bellows, Snohomish
Adam Brown, Kenmore
Josh Butchart, Seattle
Kassey Castro, Seattle
Steven Diesburg, Ames, IA
Jacob Finkle, Niskayuna, NY
Alec (Tug) Harris, Longview
Loc Hua, Olympia
Paul Johns, Free Soil, MI
Daehan Kim, Seoul, South Korea
Chris Kouldukis, Kenmore
Isaiah Lin, Redmond
Samuel McMillin, New Milford, PA

CHAMBER SINGERS PERSONNEL
SOPRANO
Yelena Bagdarova, Twin Falls, ID
Jiannan Cheng, Beijing, China
Yoojeong Cho, Seoul, South Korea
Ginger Ellingson, Shoreline
Rebecca Herivel, Lynnwood
Rachael Kim, Houston, TX
MaryEllen Liu, Melbourne, Australia

ALTO
Hyokyoun Byun, Seoul, South Korea
Jenni Campbell, Burbank, CA
Cassandra Croft, San Diego, CA
Deyanira Gualdron, Bucaramanga, Columbia
Maren Haynes, Bozeman, MT
Joan Kim, Portland, OR
Tami McTaggart, Port Orchard
Becca Sherman, Yakima
Christine Oshiki, Olympia
Eynhyo Woo, Busan, South Korea

TENOR
Lim (Sam) Adiputra, Jakarta, Indonesia
Mason Cole, Anacortes
Peder Digre, Hendricks, MN
Eric Gintz, Puyallup
Juan Guitierrez, Othello
Deryl Harter, Seattle
Joe Koch, Vancouver
Chung Jun (Scott) Lee, Seoul, South Korea
Alex Melnik, Marysville
Robert Soble, Bellevue
Nick Tagab, Redmond

BASS
Matthew Blegen, Union
Henry Chan, Hong Kong, Hong Kong
Ryan Ellis, Baton Rouge, LA
Andrew Fisher, Charleston, IL
Ian Kim, Morristown, NJ
Tin-Yu Lien, Taipei, Taiwan
Joseph Muriello, Oak Park, IL
Brad Pierson, Las Vegas, NV
Brian Winnie, New Milford, PA

Philip Arbough, Olympia
Daniel Berndt, Shelton
Jacob Finkle, Niskayuna, NY
Michael Kibbe, Houston, TX
Daehan Kim, Seoul, South Korea
Isaiah Lin, Redmond
Eric Mullen, Iowa City, IA
Dean Spencer, Puyallup
Luke Stromberg, Happy Valley, OR
Johann van Niekerk, Heidelberg, South Africa