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   Cory Meals, conductor

5. NIHAVENT LONGA (2007) .............................................................. KAMRAN INCE (b. 1960)

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   I. The Summons
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ANDREW RINDFLEISCH (b. 1963) has enjoyed a career in music that has also included professional activity as a conductor, pianist, vocalist, improviser, record producer, radio show host, educator, and concert organizer. As a composer, he has produced dozens of works for the concert hall, including solo, chamber, vocal, orchestral, brass, and wind music, as well as an unusually large catalog of choral music. The recipient of the Rome Prize, a John Simon Guggenheim Fellowship, the Aaron Copland Award, and the Koussevitzky Foundation Fellowship from the Library of Congress, Andrew additionally has been awarded over forty other prizes and awards honoring his music. He holds degrees from the University of Wisconsin at Madison (Bachelor of Music), the New England Conservatory of Music (Master of Music), and Harvard University (PhD).

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linear and vertical contrasts so essential to his works. Ince is Professor of Composition at University of Memphis and at MIAM, Istanbul Technical University. His prizes include the Rome Prize, a Guggenheim Fellowship, the Lili Boulanger Prize, and the Arts and Letters Award in Music from the American Academy of Arts and Letters.

Of this setting of Nihavent Longa, the composer relates, "[It]...is a very popular, fast Turkish instrumental dance song in the "nihavent" scale (maqam). Longas are of Thracian origin (the portion of Turkey that exists in Europe) and generally in a simple meter. It is anonymous, and occasionally Kemani Kevser Hanım is cited as being the original composer. Ince's wind ensemble setting of "Nihavent Longa" was commissioned and premiered by Netherlands Blazers Ensemble on the occasion of Queen Beatrix's state visit to Ankara, Turkey in February 2007.

Composer JOHN HARBISON is among America's most prominent artistic figures. He has received numerous awards and distinctions, including the prestigious MacArthur Foundation's "genius" award, the Pulitzer Prize, and the Heinz Award in the Arts and Humanities. He is the recipient of numerous other awards, among them the Distinguished Composer award from the American Composers Orchestra (2002), the Harvard Arts Medal (2000), the American Music Center's Letter of Distinction (2000), the Kennedy Center Friedheim First Prize (for his Piano Concerto), a MacArthur Fellowship (1989), and the Pulitzer Prize (1987). He also holds four honorary doctorates. Harbison has composed music for most of this country's premiere musical institutions, including the Metropolitan Opera (for whom he wrote The Great Gatsby), the Chicago Lyric Opera, the New York Philharmonic, the Chicago Symphony, the Boston Symphony, the Los Angeles Philharmonic, The Chamber Music Society of Lincoln Center, and the Santa Fe and Aspen festivals. His works include five string quartets, six symphonies, a ballet, three operas, and numerous chamber and choral works.

Harbison was born in Orange, New Jersey on December 20, 1938 into a musical family. He was improvising on the piano by five years of age and started a jazz band at age 12. He did his undergraduate work at Harvard University and earned an MFA from Princeton University. Following completion of a junior fellowship at Harvard, Harbison joined the faculty at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology where, in 1984, he was named Class of 1949 Professor of Music; in 1994, Killian Award Lecturer in recognition of "extraordinary professional accomplishments;" and in 1995 he was named Institute Professor, the highest academic distinction MIT offers to resident faculty. He has also taught at CalArts and Boston University, and in 1991 he was the Mary Biddle Duke Lecturer in Music at Duke University. Furthering the work of younger composers is one of Harbison's prime interests, and until recently he served as president of the Aaron Copland Fund for Music.

Harbison has been composer-in-residence with the Pittsburgh Symphony, the Los Angeles Philharmonic, the Tanglewood, Marlboro, and Santa Fe Chamber music festivals, Songfest, and the American Academy in Rome. As a conductor, Harbison has led a number of leading orchestras and chamber groups. From 1990 to 1992 he was Creative Chair with the St. Paul Chamber Orchestra, conducting music from Monteverdi to the present, and in 1991, at the Ojai Festival, he led the Scottish Chamber Orchestra. Harbison has also conducted many other ensembles, among them the Los Angeles Philharmonic, the Boston Symphony, and the Handel and Haydn Society. Mr. Harbison first led Bach cantata performances in 1958 as conductor of Harvard's Bach Society Orchestra. He has continued to do so every year since then, in two tenures as music director of Boston's Cantata Singers, and then for many years as principal guest conductor of Emmanuel Music in Boston, leading performances there not only of Bach cantatas, but also 17th-century motets, and contemporary music.

Of SAN ANTONIO, Harbison writes:

I. The traveler has a free afternoon in San Antonio. It is August, 105 degrees. Expecting to start with the cool promenade along the river, he is instead lured by a sound. He follows it up a long stairway and finds himself in a little fiesta: a hot square, many people, no shade, a few people dancing to a fast beat, the band playing and singing in Spanish.

II. The first dancers finish, exhausted. Then, as if on cue, the whole crowd gets into a line of people of all ages, nine to ninety. They all know the steps, which change with the phrases.

III. The music changes again becoming slower. The people continue on in couples. No one seems to feel the heat and the band hardly stops. Everyone, the traveler included, sinks into it. Towards the end, a young girl asks the traveler to dance. He declines.
ARCTIC DREAMS is a tone poem for symphonic wind ensemble inspired by the Arctic and by the lives and legends of the Inuit who live there. I lived for a short time with an Inuit family in Pangnirtung, Baffin Island, just north of the Arctic Circle, and I was fascinated by their way of life, their humor, and their sense of mystery and wonder at the awesome nature around them. To me, the Arctic is like a great unconscious. Therefore, the title of Barry Lopez’s wonderful book ARCTIC DREAMS seemed also an apt description of this music.

In the opening section, Inuit Landscape, a solo trombone represents a lone human being calling out over a vast space amidst the sound of wind and storm. In Throat Singing with Laughter we hear the indomitable spirit of the Inuit through their sense of humor. Throat singing is a unique form of Inuit music, created by the rapid in- and out-takes of breath on fast rhythms, which incites almost continual laughter in the singers and onlookers alike. In the Whispering Voices of the Spirits Who Ride With the Lights in the Sky, we hear mysterious mutterings that make a gradual transformation into “gossamer curtains of light that seem to undulate across the Arctic skies,” (Lopez’ description of the aurora borealis). The next section, Polar Night, is a montage of Arctic sounds (ghosts, wind, wolves), through which we hear the voices of Norwegian sailors whose boat is frozen in the ice for the winter.

In Spring Light: Ice Floating in the Sun, the winter ends and the thaw begins with the light increasing to an almost unbearable brightness. This leads directly into the next-to-last section, called The Hunt. To the Inuit, spring is literally the resurrection of life. The ominous 4-month winter darkness ends and their primary source of food, the caribou, returns. Following the hunt is a joyous celebration, led by the Drum Dancer. The sculptures of Karoo Ashevak, several of which are called Drum Dancer, were my inspiration for this section.

I did a lot of reading and lived there [Pangnirtung, Baffin Island] for about one month with [an Inuit] family. Barry Lopez’ book, ARCTIC DREAMS, was a particularly beautiful book. This is a book to read whether you are interested in the arctic or not. He is a wonderful writer. He had a lot of interesting stuff about the arctic, but it is also a philosophical book. He uses the arctic as a metaphor for life. It is quite a compelling book. Some aspects were informative to me about the piece and I liked the title so I used that. But, I was perhaps most influenced by a book called People of the Deer by Farley Mowat. It is a really interesting book about his adventure in the arctic and it is partly fiction partly non-fiction. He was asked by the government to investigate what happened to a certain tribe of Inuit people called the Ilhamn套装 from north of Winnipeg. He went up there with a couple of Eskimo guys and they trekked through and finally found a lot of skeletons of people who died of small pox. He writes the book almost like a novel and it is so mysterious and interesting – it is evocative and magical and it gave a kind of aura to the Arctic that I had not [gotten] from a lot of the other books that were more factual. So, all that stuff came together when I lived up there for a while. I got a feeling just being there, stuff you can’t get without being there for example, the wind is always blowing, even when its not blowing it is blowing, even when its not a windy day it is always going on and that turns up in the piece. There are several movements that the winds come in and out and you hear ice cracking. It sounds kind of like distant explosions, a quiet or subtle explosion, and those sounds made their way into the piece – gently hitting the inside of the piano with a bass drum beater sounds like ice shifting. The other aspect is the playfulness of the Inuit people. You don’t quite pick that up unless you’re there. They are always kidding around. They are like children in that way; they like to kid and play tricks on you. They like to laugh; maybe it is because they are so close to death all the time. The Arctic is a very dangerous place. I mean to say, death is a way of life there. They don’t live in igloos any more. They live in little framed Quonset type huts. You can, in winter, go walking out from your house and get caught in a white out; the wind is blowing and it is snowing and you can’t see the ground or the horizon or anything. Everything is white. I have never experienced anything quite like it. It is like an overexposed film. You can’t see the ground, the sky or the horizon and you can’t see a foot in front of you. You lose your balance and it is disorienting physically. You don’t realize how much you use things around you to orient your equilibrium. So when all that is taken away from you, you teeter... you certainly lose your sense of direction. So you can walk out 25 feet from your house and get caught in a white out... you may walk in the wrong direction and they will find your body in the morning, or they may find your body 10 feet from the front door; it is possible, it happens all the time. But, the arctic is like this and so they have a high respect for nature. Unlike us, thinking we can...
control the world with our technology, they know they don’t control nature. This is my analysis as to why they have a good sense of humor. Because they just more or less say, well God, you take it and you are more or less in control and we are just lucky to be here so let's have a good time. They are healthy people. Except they have a morbid side to them if they drink, [so] it is illegal to drink there because of that.

*ARCTIC DREAMS* was commissioned by James Keene for the 100th anniversary of the University of Illinois Symphonic and Concert Bands, and to honor the retirement of my friend Jack McKenzie, dean of the College of Fine and Applied Arts. I want to express my appreciation to the Canada Council for the Senior Arts Grant that enabled me to travel to the Arctic, and do research and development for this work. *ARCTIC DREAMS* is respectfully dedicated to Rosie Okpik and Enukie Akulukjuk of Pangnirtung.

—MICHAEL COLGRASS

MICHAEL COLGRASS was born in Chicago on April 22, 1932. After graduating from the University of Illinois in 1956 in music performance and composition, Colgrass relocated to New York City where he free-lanced as a percussionist with such diverse groups as the New York Philharmonic, Dizzy Gillespie, the original West Side Story orchestra on Broadway and numerous ballet, opera and jazz ensembles. His compositions have been commissioned and performed by The New York Philharmonic, The Boston Symphony, The Minnesota Orchestra, The Detroit Symphony, The Toronto Symphony, The Lincoln Center Chamber Music Society, The Corporation for Public Broadcasting, the Manhattan and Muir String Quartets, The Brighton Festival in England, The Fromm Foundation and Ford Foundation, and numerous other orchestras, chamber groups, choral groups and soloists. Colgrass’ works have been played by major symphony orchestras in the United States, Canada, and throughout Europe, Great Britain and Japan, and have been recorded by the St. Louis Symphony, the Boston Symphony, American Symphony Orchestra, the Toronto Symphony Orchestra and numerous chamber groups and soloists.

Colgrass has received many prizes and awards: the 1978 Pulitzer Prize in Music for *Déjà Vu*, commissioned and premiered by the New York Philharmonic; First Prize in the Barlow and Sudler International Wind Ensemble Competitions; Emmy Awards for *Winds of Nagual* in 1985 and *Soundings: The Music of Michael Colgrass* in 1982; the Guggenheim fellowship awards in 1964 and 1968; a Rockefeller Grant; and the 1988 Jules Léger Chamber Music Prize for *Strangers: Ireconcilable Variations for Clarinet, Viola and Piano*.

Although he makes his living as a composer, for the past 35 years Colgrass has also been giving workshops in performing excellence, combining Grotowski physical training, Neuro-Linguistic Programming (NLP) and hypnosis. Most recently he has given these workshops in Indonesia, South Africa, Argentina, and Uruguay, and will this coming year give them in Moscow and Taiwan. These techniques were featured on the PBS documentary about Michael Colgrass called "*Soundings: the Music of Michael Colgrass*" which won an Emmy Award in 1982. His strategies for creativity are explained in Robert Dilts' book *Tools For Dreamers*. He is the founder of Deep Listening, a technique for using hypnosis for audiences, which is featured in the book *Leaves Before The Wind*. His ideas on new approaches to performing are outlined in his forthcoming book, *Tuning The Human Instrument*.

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