CCM ORCHESTRA SERIES PRESENTS

CCM PHILHARMONIA BACK TO NATURE

Mark Gibson, music director and conductor

Friday, September 15, 2023 Corbett Auditorium 7:30 p.m.



PROGRAM

In Nature's Realm, Op. 91 (1891)

Antonín Dvořák (1841-1904)

In memory of Matthias Young

FROM Variations on an Original Theme, Op. 36 ("Enigma") (1899)

Edward Elgar (1857-1934)

Variation IX, "Nimrod"

One minute's silence Please refrain from applause

Suite from "The Cunning Little Vixen" (1923/1937)

Leoš Janáček (1854-1928) orch, Talich

I. Andante II. Andante

Pause

Where Icebergs Dance Away (2021)

Charlotte Bray (b. 1982)

Symphony No. 3 in E-Flat Major, Op. 97 ("Rhenish") (1850)

Robert Schumann (1810-1856)

I. Lebhaft

II. Scherzo. Sehr mässig.

III. Nicht schnell

IV. Feierlich

V. Lebhaft

PROGRAM NOTES

From the composer

WHERE ICEBERGS DANCE AWAY

The music is majestic and mysterious, with a powerful presence. Luxuriant, icy chords open the work, then melt unpredictably with descending motifs and sporadic splashes of colour in the flute, piccolo, harp and tuned percussion. This opening gives way to a playful, lively section. Layers build, with melodies at times spiky, at times smooth and soaring, sculptured by the wind.

Accompanying textural and rhythmic material add to the covering – prickly chords and brittle pizzicato pick away at the ice while wintry, luminescent figures dance enraptured. The solid, seemingly impenetrable wall of ice returns in the material from the opening section, now more forbidding and portentous. In the added movement, a lingering uncertainty succumbs to the inevitable, ascending as well as descending notes, with richer harmonies.

I strive to portray the light and beauty of the icy landscape glistening in the sun, exploring musically the contradictory nature of glaciers- stable yet fragile. My work is part influenced by the incredible artwork of Zaria Forman, who paints in pastels from photos taken of icescapes, particularly her work entitled 'Disco Bay', also a place I found inspiring during a visit in 2016.

ROSTER

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Violin I

Cassidy Franzmeier, concertmaster Ava Shedd. assistant KayCee Galano Emma Joyce Kalli Sobania Andrew Smeader Yasmine Bougacha Ella Lee Lucas Braga **Iason Colon** Zhe Xiao Riki Nagai Tao Xue

Violin II

Gabby Sewell, principal
Po-Ling Huang, assistant
Linke Zhou
Ruey-Yun Chao
Natalie Orth
Ethan Forman
Nayoung Yang
Madeline C.
Marshall
Olivia Simons
Yinyin Sun
Lily Kostraba

Viola

Melissa Peraza, principal Kody Dunford, assistant Matthias Young* Lila Reeser Isabella Prater Sarah Nichols Caleb Robinson Cate Mazon Murphy Combs Aadhi Ramkumar

Cello

Jacqueline Pegis, principal
Manuel Papale, assistant
Abigail Leidy
Amani Abou Assi
Zouehid
Hye-Jeong Oh
Lucas Orth
Anna Macintosh
Myles Yeazell
Aidan Bolding

Double Bass

Kaleb Collins,
principal
Wendell Rosa,
assistant
Corey Watzek
Jane Hanneman
Caleb Edwards
Eric Reigelsperger
Lorenzo Nigrelli
Jack Kotchka-Smith

Flute/Piccolo

Lianna Bartlett³ Dayna Hagstedt¹ Lauren Jett² Anne Luetkenhaus⁴

Oboe

Julia Bobell Ben Goodly^{1&2} Luca Ortolani^{3&4}

English Horn Iulia Bobell

Clarinet

Logan Leister³ Amay Pant Luis Umbelino¹ Zikang Wang^{2&4}

Bass Clarinet

Logan Leister

Bassoon

Elizabeth Beeche² Bryan Benson⁴ Yu-Chuen Huang^{1&3}

Contrabassoon

Bryan Benson

Horn

Justin Ciccone³
Dominick Neville¹
Kaylee Skaris²
Brian Walsh
Sarah Zhukenova⁴

Trumpet

Jarod Gallenstein⁴ Zige Huang^{2&3} Austin Park¹

Trombone

Jacob Allgeier³ William Dalton Hurst⁴ Declan Phelps^{1&2}

Bass Trombone

Jakob Larson

Tuba

Chris Messinger

Timpani

Jacob Ottmer^{1&4} Marie Conti²

Percussion

Wyatt Hatch³ Justin Kulka Han Qiming² Nick Smith¹

Harp

Madeline Arney³ Zibin Zhou²

Celesta

Michael Patterson

Librarians

Liam Gibb Citlalmina Hernandez Toro

Graduate Assistants

Carlos Avendaño-Garcia Sandra Cepero Alvarez Stephan Fillare Xiao Geng Stephen Hardie Michael Patterson Moyue Zhou

¹principal in Dvorák ²principal in Janáček ³principal in Bray ⁴principal in Schumann

*In Memoriam

IN THE WINGS

7:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 21

Orchestral Series

TRANSACTION, INTERSECTION, INTROSPECTION **CCM Concert Orchestra**

Aik Khai Pung, music director and conductor

This performance features the first of four world premieres commissioned for the CCM Concert Orchestra's 2023-24 season — Ellen Harrison 's At the Intersection of Veil and Reveal. Harrison is a Cincinnati-based composer who has won two commissions from the Fromm Music Foundation and four Ohio Arts Council Individual Excellence Awards.

STRAUSS: Transactionen, Op. 184

HARRISON: At the Intersection of Veil and Reveal (World premiere)

TCHAIKOVSKY: Symphony No. 5 in E Minor, Op. 64

Estimated run time: 72 minutes **Location**: Corbett Auditorium

Admission: FRFF

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