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A Summer Festival of Music

THE BREVARD MUSIC CENTER

There's Music in the Hills

These mountains are ringing with music this summer . . . as they have each summer, now, for twelve years.

When the summer is ended, the students, teachers, artists and conductors . . . who have worked side by side in one grand symphony of constructive learning and wholesome living . . . will return as in other years to the farflung cities and towns from whence they came. And the music of these mountains will play on for them in advanced musicianship and the inspiration of this fellowship. We welcome you to this center of youth and music . . . and hope that you will share with us the Spirit of Transylvania!

Nestled high in the Blue Ridge Mountains just outside of Brevard, North Carolina, lies The Brevard Music Center, home of Transylvania Music Camp. From the middle of June until the last of August the mountains ring with music.

A music camp for young people was a vision dreamed by James Christian Pfohl when as a young man he attended Interlochen Music Camp in Michigan, the first and most famous of the music camps. He worked until Transylvania became a reality in 1936 at Davidson College. The camp has now been in operation for nineteen successful years – the last twelve years at its present site in Brevard. In October, 1955, the name "The Brevard Music Center" was adopted to cover the entire nine-week program.

Boys and girls attend classes in theory, and are given private voice and instrumental lessons under a distinguished faculty including instrumentalists on summer leave from leading American orchestras and conservatories and from the country's public school systems. They sing in choral groups, play in orchestral, band, and chamber music groups and perform with distinguished artists in concerts attended by community residents and people visiting in the North Carolina Mountains.

The Summer Festival of Music is divided into two periods, from June 21st through August 5th the regular session of the Transylvania Music Camp – from August 6th through 26th the Gala Festival Series and graduate school.

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PROGRAM I SUNDAY AFTERNOON June 24, 4:00 P. M.

ORCHESTRA OF THE FACULTY

AND STAFF

BEVERLY SILLS, Soprano

JAMES CHRISTIAN PFOHL, Conductor

LOUIS MENNINI

Overtura Breve

BIZET

Ouvre ton coeur BELLINI

Qui la voce, from "I Puritani"

Miss Sills

BEETHOVEN

Symphony No. 1 in C Major, Opus 21 Adagio molto; Allegro con brio Andante cantabile con moto

Menuetto: Allegro molto e vivace Adagio; Allegro molto e vivace INTERMISSION

RIMSKY-KORSAKOFF

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The Rose Enslaves the Nightingale Miss Sills

Mary Spalding, Harpist HAHN

Si mes vers avaient des ailes Ah fors e lui, from "La Traviata" Sempre libera, from "La Traviata"

Miss Sills

RIMSKY-KORSAKOFF Capriccio Espagnol Alborada

Variazioni Alborada

Scena e Canto gitano Fandango asturiano

PROGRAM 2 TUESDAY EVENING

June 26, 8:15 P. M.

PIANO RECITAL

ROBERT WALLENBORN

GOFFREDO

Toccata PETRASSI

BACH

RAVEL

Partita in C Minor Sinfonia

Allemande Corrente

Sarabande Rondeau

Capriccio

PAUL HINDEMITH Sonata No. 3 (1936)

Ruhig bewegt Sehr lebhaft Massig schnell

Fuge INTERMISSION

Pieces de Clavecin Les Vieux Seigneurs COUPERIN

Courante

Musette de Toverny Le Rossignol en Amour

Le Tic-Toc-Choc

Le Tombeau de Couperin

Prelude Forlane Rigaudon Menuet Toccato

PROGRAM 3 EVENING FRIDAY

June 29, 8:15 P. M.

TRANSYLVANIA CONCERT BAND PAUL BRYAN, Conductor

Hands Across the Sea March SOUSA HUMPERDINCK

Prayer and Dream Pantomime, from "Hansel and Gretel"

HAYDN

Concerto for Trumpet

Allegro Andante Allegro

Emerson Head, Soloist

RIMSKY-KORSAKOFF HOBAUNT Rhapsody on Themes from "The Legend of Tsar Saltan"

INTERMISSION

IV

MENDELSSOHN FREDERICK M. BREYDERT

Overture for Band Suite in F

March Meditation Finale

GLEN OSSER SOUSA

Beguine for Band Gladiator March

ROGRAM SATURDAY EVENING

June 30, 8:15 P. M.

ORCHESTRA OF THE FACULTY

AND STAFF

ROBERT WALLENBORN, Pianist

JOSEPH WINCENC, Conductor

MOZART

Overture to "The Marriage of Figaro"

BACH

Concerto in F Minor for Piano and

Orchestra Allegro moderato

Largo Presto

Mr. Wallenborn

JEAN SIBELIUS

DEBUSSY

Karelia Suite

Intermezzo Ballade

Alla marcia

INTERMISSION

Fantaisie for Piano and Orchestra

Andante ma non troppo, Allegro

giusto

Lent, Allegro molto, Lent

Mr. Wallenborn

ROSSINI

Overture to "La Gazza Ladra"

Electronic Version by CJ Pletzke

PROGRAM SUNDAY AFTERNOON

July 1, 4:00 P. M.

TRANSYLVANIA SYMPHONY

ORCHESTRA

PHYLLIS CURTIN, Soprano

JAMES CHRISTIAN PFOHL, Conductor

MENDELSSOHN Overture to "Ruy Blas"

Hear Ye, Israel, from "Elijah" MENDELSSOHN

Miss Curtin

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SCHUBERT Symphony No. 8 in B Minor, "Unfinished"

Allegro moderato Andante con moto

INTERMISSION

TSCHAIKOWSKY Letter Scene, from "Eugene Onegin"

Miss Curtin

TSCHAIKOWSKY Capriccio Italien, Opus 45

RACH LAMAR

STRINGFIELD

PROGRAM 6

Charles DeLaney, Flutist

FILTZ Symphony in E-Flat

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Allegro Andante Presto

TUESDAY

July 3, 8:15 P. M.

Sinfonia

Miss Curtin

Mountain Dawn

Recitativo Aria: Moderato Recitativo

CHAMBER ORCHESTRA

PHYLLIS CURTIN, Soprano

JAMES CHRISTIAN PFOHL, Conductor

Cantata No. 209, Non sa che sia dolore

Aria: Allegro non troppo

EVENING

Motette: Exsultate Jubilate MOZART

Allegro Recitativo Larghetto Allegro non troppo

Miss Curtin

WEDNESDAY EVENING

July 4, 8:15 P. M.

TRANSYLVANIA CONCERT BAND

PAUL BRYAN, Conductor

TRANSYLVANIA SYMPHONY

ORCHESTRA

JAMES CHRISTIAN PFOHL, Conductor

SOUSA HAYDN Hands Across the Sea March

Concerto for Trumpet

Allegro Andonte Allegro

Emerson Head, Soloist

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GLEN OSSER Beguine for Band

Concert Band

INTERMISSION

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TSCHAIKOWSKY Capriccio Italien

Orchestra

PROGRAM 8 FRIDAY EVENING

July 6, 8:15 P. M.

TRANSYLVANIA CONCERT BAND VIDA CHENOWETH, Marimba FRANK WEST, Conductor

TRANSYLVANIA CHORAL ENSEMBLE

GORDON PAGE, Conductor

TORELLI Synfonia No. 6

Allegro Andante Allegro

Concert Band

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Prelude MUSSER JEAN SIBELIUS Valse Triste

Etude in C Major MUSSER Miss Chenoweth

March for Dignitories JOHN

Concert Band SATTERFIELD

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INTERMISSION

WILLIAMS The Turtle Dove KUBIK Creep Along, Moses HARRIS

When Johnny Comes Marching Home

Choral Ensemble

Le Pere de la Victoire March

Sea Pictures

In Haven (Capri) Where Corals Lie

Sabbath Morning at Sea Prelude in E-Flat Minor

First Suite in E-Flat Concert Band

SHOSTAKOVICH HOLST

GANNE

ELGAR

PROGRAM 9 SATURDAY EVENING

July 7, 8:15 P. M.

ORCHESTRA OF THE FACULTY

AND STAFF

VIDA CHENOWETH, Marimba PAUL BRYAN, Conductor

TRANSYLVANIA CHORUS GORDON PAGE, Conductor

ROSSINI

Overture to "The Barber of Seville"

Orchestra

THOMSON

RUFTY

My Shepherd Will Supply My Need

JACKSON-

Boundless Mercy

GATWOOD JOHNSON

Wayforing Stranger City Called Heaven

Chorus

PAUL CRESTON

Concerto for Marimba and Orchestra

Vigorous Calm Lively Miss Chenoweth

BRAHMS

Serenade in D Major, Opus 11

Allegro Molto Scherzo

Adagio non troppo

Menuetto I and Menuetto II

Scherzo Rondo

Orchestra

ROGRAM 11 TUESDAY EVENING

July 10, 8:15 P. M.

CHAMBER MUSIC PROGRAM

MOZART

Ouintet, K. 452

Largo - Allegro moderato

Larghetto Allegretto

Frank Peters, Oboe; Willis Coggins, Clari-net; Robert Elworthy, Horn; Ivan Diachun, Bassoon; Louise Nelson

Pfohl, Piano

MOZART

Dies Bildness ist bezaubernd schon, from

"Die Zauberflote" Wagtail and Baby, from "Winter Words"

BENJAMIN BRITTEN BENJAMIN BRITTEN

Before Life and After, from "Winter Words"

Frank Stovall, Tenor; Loren Withers, Piano

HANDEL-GLICK OSKAR BOHME Overture to Berenice

Sextet, Opus 30 Finale

Emerson Head, Shirley Wallace, Trumpets; Robert Elworthy, Vincent Schneider, Horns; David Glasmire, Robert Hause, Trombones; Paul Bryan, Baritone; Louie Rivetti, Tuba

IV

SAMUEL BARBER Quartet, Opus 11

Molto allegro e appassionato Molto adagio - Molto allegro

Robert Harrison, Derry Deane, Violins; Vladimir Lukashuk, Viola; Margaret

Christy, Cello

PROGRAM 10 SUNDAY AFTERNOON

July 8, 4:00 P. M.

IN MEMORY OF OLIN DOWNES TRANSYLVANIA SYMPHONY

ORCHESTRA

JOHN PENNINK, Pianist

JAMES CHRISTIAN PFOHL, Conductor

BACH-CAILLIET

Fugue in G Minor, "The Little"

SCHUMANN

BRAHMS

Concerto in A Minor for Piano and Orchestra, Opus 54

Allegro affetuoso

Intermezzo: Andantino grazioso Allegro vivace

Mr. Pennink

INTERMISSION

Symphony No. 2 in D Major, Opus 73

Allegro non troppo

Adagio non troppo

Allegretto grazioso, quasi andantino Allegro con spirito

We are happy to present today's concert to the memory of Olin Downes, whose visits to Transylvania gave us so much inspiration and encouragement. Dr. Downes was always interested in the development of music in America, and was particularly interested in the encouragement of young artists. His last public appearance was at Transyl-vania Music Camp last July. His memory and influence will live at Transylvania for many years to come.

12 FRIDAY EVENING

July 13, 8:15 P. M.

TRANSYLVANIA CONCERT BAND

PAUL BRYAN, Conductor

HANDEL

Suite, from "The Music for the Royal

Fireworks"

Overture Siciliana Bourree Menuetto

LESLIE BASSETT Symphonic Sketch ROGER QUILTER

A Children's Overture

INTERMISSION

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Dances from Other Lands:

DVORAK ARTHUR BENJAMIN ARAM

Slavonic Dance No. 3 Jamaican Rhumba

Two Armenian Dances KHACHATURIAN

OFFENBACH Overture to "Orpheus in the Underworld"

PROGRAM 13 SATURDAY EVENING July 14, 8:15 P. M.

"RODGERS AND HAMMERSTEIN NIGHT" ORCHESTRA OF THE FACULTY AND STAFF ENSEMBLE JAMES CHRISTIAN PFOHL, Conductor

CAROUSEL Waltz STATE FAIR

It's a Grand Night For Singing Dewey Camp, Baritone It Might As Well Be Spring Judy Walker, Soprano

THE KING AND I I Have Dreamed
Frances Wills, Soprano;
Thornwell Frick, Baritone
We Kiss In A Shadow
Juanita Efird, Soprano; Joseph Haas, Tenor
I Whistle A Happy Tune
Hello, Young Lovers
Juanita Efird, Soprano

CAROUSEL

IV
June Is Bustin' Out All Over
Frances Wills, Soprano
If I Loved You
Joseph Haas, Tenor
When I Marry Mr. Snow
Elaine Walker, Soprano
You'll Never Walk Alone
Frances Wills, Soprano
Soliloquy
Gordon Page, Baritone Gordon Page, Baritone INTERMISSION

VICTORY AT SEA

Guadalcanal March

SOUTH PACIFIC

Ball Ha'l
Geraldine McIlroy, Alto
Younger Than Springtime
Joseph Haas, Tenor
A Wonderful Guy
Elaine Walker, Soprano
There is Nothin' Like A Dame
Some Enchanted Evening
Thornwell Frick, Baritone

VII PIPE DREAM

The Next Time It Happens
Frank Stovall, Tenor
Everybody's Got A Home But Me
Erving Covert, Tenor

Erving Covert, Tenor

How Long
Elaine Walker, Soprano
Erving Covert, Tenor
All At Once You Love Her
Joseph Haas, Tenor; Juanita Efird, Soprano
VIII

OKLAHOMA

VIII
Oh, What A Beautiful Morning
Joseph Haas, Tenor
Many A New Day
Junita Efird, Soprano
Surrey With The Fringe On Top
Dewey Camp, Baritone
People Will Say We're In Love
Joseph Haas, Tenor; Judy Walker, Soprano

Oklahoma

PROGRAM 15 TUESDAY EVENING

July 17, 8:15 P. M.

CHAMBER ORCHESTRA CARROLL GLENN, Violinist

EUGENE LIST, Pianist

JAMES CHRISTIAN PFOHL, Conductor

Overture to "The Magic Flute" MOZART

R. STRAUSS

Concerto in D Minor for Violin and Orchestra, Opus 8

Allegro

Lento, ma non troppo Rondo: presto Miss Glenn

INTERMISSION

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DIMITRI SHOSTAKOVICH Concerto in C Minor, Opus 35 Allegro moderato; Allegro vivace Lento Moderato Allegro brio: presto Mr. List

PROGRAM 14 SUNDAY AFTERNOON

July 15, 4:00 P. M.

TRANSYLVANIA SYMPHONY

ORCHESTRA

CARROLL GLENN, Violinist

EUGENE LIST, Pianist

JAMES CHRISTIAN PFOHL, Conductor

ROBERT WARD

Jubilation Overture

BRUCH

Concerto No. 1 in G Minor for Violin and

Orchestra, Opus 26 Vorspiel: Allegro moderato Adagio Finale: Allegro energico

Miss Glenn

INTERMISSION

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ROBERTSON **POWELL TSCHAIKOWSKY** SCHUMANN

SHAW

Fanfare Irish Lament Soldier, Soldier The Nightingale Holiday Song Chorus

LISZT

Concerto No. 1 in E-Flat Major for Piano and Orchestra

Allegro maestoso Quasi adagio; Allegretto vivace; Allegro animato

Allegro marziale animato

Mr. List

PROGRAM 16 THURSDAY EVENING

July 19, 8:15 P. M.

SPECIAL PROGRAM HONORING THE NATIONAL FEDERATION OF MUSIC CLUBS

TRANSYLVANIA SYMPHONY **ORCHESTRA**

IVAN DAVIS, Pianist

JAMES CHRISTIAN PFOHL, Conductor

MOZART

BLOCH

Symphony No. 29 in A Major Allegro moderato Andante Menuetto

Allegro con spirito

Baal Shem, Three Pictures of Chassidic Life

Contrition Improvisation Rejoicing Robert Harrison, Violin

INTERMISSION

The Moldau, from the Cycle "My Father-**SMETANA** land'

Rhapsody on a Theme of Paganini for Piano and Orchestra, Opus 43 RACHMANINOFF Mr. Davis

Ivan Davis is the winner of the Young Artists Audition, 1955

Electronic Version by CJ Pletzke

PROGRAM 17 FRIDAY EVENING

TRANSYLVANIA CONCERT BAND PAUL BRYAN, Conductor TRANSYLVANIA CHORUS

TRANSYLVANIA CHORUS GORDON PAGE, Conductor

I

FILLMORE HEROLD The Klaxon March Zampa Overture

II

JULIAN WORK

Portraits from the Bible

Moses Ruth

Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego Concert Band

Concert Band

INTERMISSION

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HOLST THIMAN DUNHILL FRIEDELL CHAPMAN Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Stience Immortal, Invisible To the Queen of Heaven King of Glory, King of Peace All Creatures of Our God and King

IV

JOSEPH WAGNER Concerto Grosso Passacaglia Gigue

Horace Sher, Billy Pippin, James O. Wells, Trumpets

Larry Campbell, Baritone

V

SULLIVAN

Pineapple Poli
Opening Number
Jasper's Dance
Poll's Dance
Finale
Concert Band

program 19 sunday afternoon

July 22, 4:00 P. M.

TRANSYLVANIA SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

JOSEPH LAWTON, Pianist

JAMES CHRISTIAN PFOHL, Conductor

TRANSYLVANIA CHORUS GORDON PAGE, Conductor

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RALPH VAUGHAN
-WILLIAMS

Fantasia on the Old 104th Psalm Tune Chorus

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RACHMANINOFF

Concerto No. 2 in C Minor for Piano and Orchestra, Opus 18

Moderato Adagio sostenuto Allegro scherzando

Mr. Lowton

INTERMISSION

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TSCHAIKOWSKY

Symphony No. 4 in F Minor, Opus 36
Andante sostenuto; Moderato con
anima in movimento di valse
Andantino in modo di canzona
Scherzo: Pizzicato ostinato; Allegro
Finale: Allegro con fuoco

PROGRAM 18 SATURDAY EVENING

July 21, 8:15 P. M.

Lecture: "MUSIC FOR FUN" by SIGMUND SPAETH

PROGRAM 20 TUESDAY EVENING

July 24, 8:15 P. M.

CHAMBER MUSIC PROGRAM

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MOZART

Quintet in G Minor, K. 516

Allegro

Ruth Dabney Allen, Doris West, Violins; Patricia Conway, Joseph Wincenc, Violas; Charles Medlin, Cello

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BEETHOVEN

Trio in B-Flat, Opus 11 Allegro con brio

Adagio

Tema con Variozioni: Allegretto William Walsh, Clarinet; Charles Medlin, Cello; Loren Withers, Piano

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WEELKES WILBYE FARMER Welcome, sweet pleasure What needeth all this travail Fair Phyllis I saw sitting all alone

Juanita Efird, Judith Walker, Sopranos; Carolyn DeLaney, Geraldine McIlroy, Controltos; Erving Covert, Frank Stovall, Tenors; Thornwell Frick, Dewey Camp, Basses; Gordon Page, Conductor

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TURINA

La Oracion del Torero Robert Harrison, Derry Deane, Violins; Vladimir Lukashuk, Viola; Margaret Christy, Cello Electronic Version by CJ Pletzke

PROGRAM 21 FRIDAY EVENING

July 27, 8:15 P. M.

TRANSYLVANIA CONCERT BAND

ZVI ZEITLIN, Violinist

JAMES CHRISTIAN PFOHL, Conductor

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SOUSA BACH-

Stars and Stripes Forever Prelude and Fugue in G Minor MOEHLMANN

SAINT-SAENS-**JEZISEK**

Introduction and Rondo Capriccioso,

Opus 28 Mr. Zeitlin

INTERMISSION

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CRESTON

Legende

WAGNER

Trauersinfonie

VAUGHAN-

WILLIAMS

Toccata Marziale

PROGRAM 23 SUNDAY AFTERNOON

July 29, 4:00 P. M.

TRANSYLVANIA SYMPHONY **ORCHESTRA**

ZVI ZEITLIN, Violinist

JOHN BITTER, Guest Conductor

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BACH-STOKOWSKI Giant Fugue, Credo in Unum Deum Come, Sweet Death Fugue in G Minor

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MENDELSSOHN

Concerto in E Minor for Violin and Orchestra, Opus 64 Allegro molto appassionato

Andante

Allegretto non troppo; Allegro molto

vivace

Mr. Zeitlin

INTERMISSION

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DMITRI SHOSTAKOVICH Symphony No. 5, Opus 47 Moderato Allegretto Largo Allegro non troppo

PROGRAM 22 SATURDAY EVENING

July 28, 8:15 P. M.

ORCHESTRA OF THE FACULTY

AND STAFF

JAMES CHRISTIAN PFOHL, Conductor

CHORAL ENSEMBLE GORDON PAGE, Conductor

G. GABRIELI Sonata Pian e Forte, from "Sacrae Sym-

phoniae" Double Brass Choir

MOZART

Sinfonia Concertante in E-Flat Major for Violin, Viola, and Orchestra, K. 364

Allegro maestoso Andonte

Presto

Robert Harrison, Violinist Vladimir Lukoshuk, Violist

INTERMISSION

VAUGHAN-WILLIAMS In Windsor Forest* The Conspiracy Drinking Song Folstaff and the Fairies Wedding Chorus Epilogue Choral Ensemble

*By arrangement with Oxford University Press, 114 Fifth Avenue, New York City

PROGRAM 24 TUESDAY

July 31, 8:15 P. M.

STUDENT SOLOISTS WITH CHAMBER ORCHESTRA PAUL BRYAN, Conductor

PROGRAM 25 FRIDAY EVENING

August 3, 8:15 P. M.

TRANSYLVANIA SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

JAMES WOLFE, Pianist

THOR JOHNSON, Guest Conductor

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K. P. E. BACH-STEINBERG Concerto in D Major for Orchestra

Allegro

Andante lento molto

Allegro

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BEETHOVEN

Concerto No. 4 in G Major for Piano and Orchestra, Opus 58

Allegro moderato

Andante con moto Rondo: vivace

Mr. Wolfe

INTERMISSION

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NORMAN DELLO JOIO BRAHMS

Variations, Chaconne, and Finale Academic Festival Overture, Opus 80

PROGRAM 27 SUNDAY MORNING

August 5, 11:00 A. M.

WORSHIP SERVICE IN MEMORY OF DR. FRANCIS MORTON FOX

TRANSYLVANIA SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

JAMES CHRISTIAN PFOHL, Conductor

TRANSYLVANIA CHORUS JANE ROLANDI, Soprano

GORDON PAGE, Baritone

FAURE

Requiem

Introit and Kyrie Offertorium

Pie Jesu

Agnus Dei

Libera me In paradisum PROGRAM 26 SATURDAY EVENING

August 4, 8:15 P. M.

TRANSYLVANIA CONCERT BAND

PAUL BRYAN, Conductor
TRANSYLVANIA CHORUS

GORDON PAGE, Conductor

SAINT-SAENS

March Militaire Française

BERLIOZ

Overture to "Beatrice and Benedict"

III Psyche and Eros

FRANCK

IV Pavane

FAURE

RANDALL

THOMPSON

V

DARIUS MILHAUD

Suite Française Normandie Bretagne

Provence Concert Band INTERMISSION

Th

The Peaceable Kingdom (Text from the Book of Isaiah)

Say Ye to the Righteous Woe Unto Them

The Noise of a Multitude

Howl Ye The Paper Reeds by the Brooks

Recitative: But These Are They That Forsake the Lord For Ye Shall Go Out With

Joy Have Ye Not Known Ye Shall Have a Song

Chorus

PROGRAM 28 SUNDAY AFTERNOON

August 5, 4:00 P. M.

ORCHESTRA OF THE FACULTY

AND STAFF

MARY DAVENPORT, Controlto

JAMES WOLFE, Pianist

JAMES CHRISTIAN PFOHL, Conductor

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MOZART Overture to "Cosi fan Tutti"

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MOZART Concerto No. 27 in B-Flat Major for Piano and Orchestra, K. 595

Piano Allegro Larghetto Allegro

Mr. Wolfe

INTERMISSION

111

CHARLES DELANEY Concerto for Flute and Orchestra

Allegro Andante

Charles DeLaney, Flutist

IV

BRAHMS Rhapsodie for Alto, Male Chorus, and

Orchestra, Opus 53

Miss Davenport

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Brevard Gala Festival Programs

PROGRAM 29 FRIDAY EVENING

August 10, 8:15 P. M.

GALA FESTIVAL ORCHESTRA LOIS MARSHALL, Soprano JAMES CHRISTIAN PFOHL, Conductor

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BEETHOVEN Overture to "Fidelio"

BEETHOVEN Abscheulicher, wo eilst du hin, from "Fidelio"

Miss Marshall

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BEETHOVEN Symphony No. 8 in F Major, Opus 93

Allegro vivace e con brio Allegretto scherzando Tempo di minuetto Allegro vivace

INTERMISSION*

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PUCCINI Sola, perduta, abbandonata, from "Ma-

PUCCINI non Lescaut"

In questa Reggia, from "Turandot"

Miss Marshall

V

R. STRAUSS Suite from "Der Rosenkavalier"

 A fanfare will sound three minutes before the second half of the program is to begin.

PROGRAM NOTES

WILLIAM V. PORTER, JR.

Friday evening, August 10

Beethoven Overture to "Fidelio"

Beethoven composed his fourth overture to **Fidelio** in March, 1814, for a revival of the opera. Unable to complete the work in time for the opening performance, he was forced to substitute as an overture a work composed earlier. The fourth overture, the work which we hear this evening, is now conventionally used as the prelude to dramatic presentations of the opera.

The overture does not exhibit close thematic relationship to the rest of the opera. Following a stately introduction, the principal theme of the work is introduced by the French horn. A second theme is later played by the strings.

Beethoven Abscheulicher, wo eilst du hin, from "Fidelio"

When Leonore learns that her husband Florestan has been imprisoned, she disguises herself in male attire and seeks employment at the jail under the name of Fidelio. Discovering a plot of the governor of the prison to murder Florestan, Fidelio sings a highly dramatic recitative:

"Monster! Whither in thy haste? What design breeds thy rage?" Following the impassioned recitative, she sings in a serene aria that she is confident her husband will be spared.

Beethoven Symphony No. 8 in F Major, Op. 98

Written during a period of great troubles in Beethoven's life, the Eighth Symphony is remarkable for its bright and humorous qualities. The first movement opens at once with a gay tune which sets the mood for the entire work. Beethoven replaces the customary slow second movement with a short, yet most charming scherzo. The story is often told that this movement was based on a round composed by Beethoven in honor of his friend Johann Maelzel, inventor of the metronome. A persistent staccato accompaniment in the woodwinds is indeed suggestive of the incessant ticking of this apparatus. In the third movement, Beethoven treats the traditional minuet form in a highly individual manner, injecting sudden changes of dynamics and unexpected accents into its phrases. A lively finale reinforces the light, spirited atmosphere of the whole symphony.

Beethoven completed this work in 1812. It was first performed privately at the home of the Archduke Rudolph in Vienna the next year. The first public performance, in 1814 in Vienna, was followed by rather unfavorable criticism. It was not until many years later that the symphony found its way into standard concert repertoire.

Puccini Sola, perduta, abbandonata, from "Manon Lescaut"

Manon Lescaut was first performed in Turin on February 1, 1893. Its premiere in the United States was given the following year in Philadelphia. This work is the earliest of Puccini's operas which have found a permanent place in American repertoire.

In the last act of the opera, Manon and her lover Des Grieux have fled to a desolate spot on a Louisiana plain. When Des Grieux leaves in search of food and shelter, Manon fears he has deserted her. She then sings her last aria, "Sola, perduta, abbandonata."

Turandot, Puccini's last opera, takes place in legendary China. In the second act, the princess Turandot sings her aria "In questa Reggia" before an assembled group of subjects on the stairsteps of the Imperial Palace. She tells of the injustices her ancestors have received. To avenge their wrongs, she has devised a gruelling test for all her suitors. In order for a young man to win her hand, he must successfully solve three riddles. Should he fail, death was to be the consequence.

R. Strauss Suite from "Der Rosenkavalier"

The story of **Der Rosenkavalier** concerns an elderly Baron Ochs who demands from Maria Theresa, the Marschallin von Wendenburg, the hand of Sophia, a young lady of her court. Sophia, who has fallen in love with Octavian, is told by her father that she must either marry Baron Ochs or retire to a nunnery. A scandal is later revealed concerning the Baron. Finding the accusations against the Baron too much, Sophia's father finally gives her hand to Octavian.

Music for the Suite is arranged in the following order: Octavian and the Marschallin; The Silver Rose; Octavian and Sophia; The Intrigue; Baron Ochs von Lercheneau; Scandal and Solution; Terzett and Closing Duet; and Great Waltz. The brilliantly orchestrated suite magnificently reflects the elegance of eighteenth century Austrian nobility.

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Overture to "The Secret Marriage"

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BRAHMS

Concerto No. 1 in D Minor for Piano and

Orchestra, Opus 15

Maestoso Adagio

Rondo: Allegro non troppo

Mr. Wolfe

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BERLIOZ

Harold in Italy

Harold in the Mountains March of the Pilgrims

Serenade of a Mountaineer of the Abruzzi to his Mistress

Orgy of the Brigands

Mr. Lukashuk

PROGRAM NOTES

WILLIAM V. PORTER, JR.

Saturday evening, August 11

Cimarosa, a contemporary of Mozart, was extremely successful in his day as an opera composer. His most famous work, II Matrimonio Segreto (The Secret Marriage), had over sixty consecutive performances in Naples in 1793, the year after its premiere. This opera was immediately acclaimed as the greatest example of opera buffo since Pergolesi's La Serva Padrona.

The overture to the opera is a masterpiece of wit. Following three long held chords in D Major, the piece bounds into an allegro molto constructed in the form of a free rondo.

Brahms Concerto No. 1 in D Minor for Piano and Orchestra, Op. 15

The D Minor Piano Concerto was Brahms' first important symphonic work. Originally conceived as a symphony and later arranged as a two-piano work, it was first heard in its present form in Hanover during 1859 with Brahms at the piano. The new concerto was received quite unfavorably by both audiences and performing musicians. Perhaps they were disappointed at the conservative treatment of form or at the more than conventional importance given to the orchestra. Although the concerto contained many formidable passages for the soloist, virtuosity was rarely included for its own sake. Instead of being an instrument for self display, the piano, closely integrated with the orchestra, was only the means to producing the aesthetic intentions of the composer.

Attempts have been made to connect this work with the attempted suicide and subsequent death of Robert Schumann. Although no one can know for sure, it is possible that Brahms was preoccupied with this tragedy when he wrote the heroic first movement. The second movement was originally entitled "Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domine" (Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord). This serene adagio is a fitting contrast to the majestic opening movement. The concerto closes with a spirited rondo, at once setting an entirely different mood from the preceding movements.

Berlioz Harold in Italy

In 1833, the great violinist Paganini requested that Berlioz compose a solo for a new Stradivari viola which he had just bought. Far more interested in symphonic music than in solo writings, Berlioz set about to create a symphony with viola obbligato instead of the virtuoso viola concerto Paganini wished. Although Paganini strenuously objected, Berlioz never wavered from his original intentions. Completed in 1834, **Harold in Italy** was the result of this project.

The significance of the title and its relationship to Byron's **Childe Harold** were explained by Berlioz himself. He related that he was not borrowing specific adventures from Byron, but only the idea of a melancholy dreamer travelling in foreign lands. The programmatic titles of the movements of Berlioz's work refer to the composer's own wanderings in central Italy rather than to particular excursions described in Byron's text.

As a method of integrating the four movements, Berlioz assigned to Harold a single theme, the so-called **idee fixe** (fixed idea). This theme appears in all the movements, adapting itself to tempos and thematic material set forth in each.

The first movement, "Harold in the Mountains," opens with a slow polyphonic introduction. The Harold theme is first suggested by the woodwinds in a minor key. An abrupt major chord precedes the first full announcement of the Harold theme, here presented by solo viola accompanied by harp. The main portion of the movement is a brilliantly orchestrated allegro projecting two themes, both of which are combined with that of Harold. The allegretto second movement depicts the hero observing a procession of pilgrims. At its conclusion, church bells are suggested by harp and winds. The third movement, "Serenade of an Abruzzi mountaineer to his sweetheart," opens with a joyful country dance. The serenade itself is first heard from the English horn, and then combined with the Harold theme. The beginning of the fourth movement, "Orgy of the brigands," suggests the introduction to the finale to Beethoven's Ninth Symphony. Themes from the preceding movements are recalled, each being separated by a frenzied allegro. These allegro interjections set the mood for the wild and frantic scenes which extend to the end of the work.

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PROGRAM 31 SUNDAY AFTERNOON

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LOIS MARSHALL, Soprano MARY DAVENPORT, Controlto WALTER CARRINGER, Tenor YI-KWEI SZE, Bass GALA FESTIVAL ORCHESTRA JAMES CHRISTIAN PFOHL, Conductor FESTIVAL CHORUS GORDON PAGE, Conductor

VERDI

Requiem

Requiem et Kyrie

Dies irae

Domine Jesu

Sanctus

Agnus Dei

Lux aeterna

Libera me

PROGRAM NOTES

WILLIAM V. PORTER, JR.

Sunday afternoon, August 12

Verdi	********	 	Requiem

After the death of Rossini in 1868, Verdi along with twelve other composers set out to create a Requiem in his memory. Each of the composers was assigned a particular section of the proposed work. Verdi was to take the "Libera me," which was to be the final division of the Mass. When the efforts of all the composers were brought together, they were found to be of such dissimilar character that the composite work was not a satisfactory entity. In 1873, the great Italian romantic poet and friend of Verdi, Alessandro Manzoni, died. Verdi immediately revived his plans for a memorial requiem, this time composing the entire work himself. The "Libera me" from the Rossini Requiem was incorporated into the new work. The Manzoni Requiem was completed in 1874 and first played in Milan on the anniversary of Manzoni's death.

A translation of the Latin text follows:

Requiem et Kyrie

Grant them rest eternal, and light perpetual shine down upon them.
There shall be singing unto Thee in Sion, and prayer shall go up to Thee in Jerusalem.
Give ear to my supplication, unto Thee shall all flesh come at last.
Kyrle elelson, Christe elelson

Dies irae

Day of anger, day of trouble,
Time shall perish like a bubble,
So spake David and the Sibyl.
How each heart shall beat with terror,
When the judge comes, truth to mirror,
Strictly weighing mortal error!
Hark the trumpet sounds appalling,
Earth's sepultur'd dead upcalling,
Round the Lord's throne prostrate falling.
Death, with wonder is enchained
When man from his grasp, regained,
Stands before the judge arraigned.
Now the record shall be cited,
Wherein all things stand indited.
Whence the world shall be requited.
Day of anger! When to judgment all are bidden.
Nothing longer shall be hidden,
Not a trespass go unsmitten,
Nothing longer shall be hidden.
What affliction mine exceeding?
Who shall stand forth for me pleading. Not a trespass go unsmitten,
Nothing longer shall be hidden.
What affliction mine exceeding?
Who shall stand forth for me pleading,
When the just man aid is needing?
King of glories, bright and glowing!
Grace on whom thou will bestowing!
Ah! remember, Jesus blessed.
For me Thy path was oppressed.
Save me then, by fear distressed.
For my sake, thou sat'st down weary.
Thy cross bearing, meek and cheery:
Fruitless be not toll so dreary.
Justice, vengeance, ye appall me.
Ere to answer thou dost call me:
Sadly groaning, guilty feeling.
O'er my visage blushes stealing:
Lord, oh! spare me, lowly kneeling.
Thou, who Mary's sin forgavest,
Who to hear the thief vouchsafedst.
Unto me bright hope thou gavest.
Though my sad pray'rs breath be wasting.
Kindly glances on me casting.
Save me from flames everlasting.
With thy sheep, Lord, deign to rate me.
From the wicked separate me;
At Thy right do Thou instate me:
From th' accursed and rejected,
Doom'd to flery flames convicted.
Call me forth with Thine elected.
Lo! I pray, a suppliant sighing,
Dark remorse my heart updrying,
Heed me at the hour of dying.
Day of anger, day of trouble!
Ahi what weeping on that morrow
When man's ashes form shall borrow,
Judgment guilty shall declare him!
In thy mercy, Lord, then, spare him.
Gentle Jesus, Gracious Lord,
Grant them Thy eternal rest. Amen.

Domine Jesu

Oh Lord God, Lord Christ Jesus, King of glory.
Deliver Thou the souls of them that died in the faith of Jesus From pains everlasting, and the abyss unfathom'd:
From the mouth of the lion, lest the jaws of the pit shall swallow them,
To lie in utter darkness.
But let holy Michael, leader of hosts, bring them forward into Thy holy splendor.
As unto Abraham Thou didst promise and his seed forever.
Sacrifice and pray'r unto Thee, Oh Lord, offer we with praises,
Accept Thou these now for the souls of them, Lord,
For whose sake we do in memory hold this day;
Make them to pass, Oh Lord, from death unto life everlasting.

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Sabaoth, Heaven and earth are full of the majesty of Thy glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He that comes in the name of the Lord on high.

Agnus Dei

Lamb of God, thou dost cleanse away the world's transgressions: Grant them Thy eternal rest.

Lux aeterna

Light eternal shine down upon them, oh Lord God, As on thy Saints now and ever, for that Thou art good. Grant them rest eternal, and light perpetual shine down upon them. As on Thy blessed Saints for ever and ever, for that Thou art

Libera me

Lord, deliver my soul from the doom of eternal death in the dread day of judgment; when the heaven and earth shall both be moved When Thou shalt come in the midst of fire to judge the whole

When Thou shalt come in the minst of tire to judge she world.

Pull of terror am I, and of dreadful fear at the judgment that shall come, and at the coming of Thy wrath.

Day of anger, day of trouble, utter confusion and despondency shall befall them, and most bitter sorrow.

Grant them rest eternal.

Oh Lord God, deliver me from death eternal.

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HANDEL-JACOB Overture to "Theodora"

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SCHUMANN Symphony No. 4 in D Minor, Opus 120

Un poco lento; Vivace Romanze: Un poco lento Scherzo: Vivace Finale: Lento; Vivace

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GOUNOD Mephistopheles Aria from "Faust"

BERLIOZ Mephistopheles Serenade from the "Dam-

nation of Faust"

Mr. Tozzi

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BOITO Prologue to "Mefistofele"

Mr. Tozzi and Chorus

PROGRAM NOTES

WILLIAM V. PORTER, JR.

Friday evening, August 17

Handel-Jacob Overture to "Theodora"

Theodora was an oratorio composed by Handel in 1749 and first performed in 1750. The concert version of its overture which we hear today has been freely transcribed and arranged for full orchestra by Gordon Jacob. The work falls into four distinct sections: an opening maestoso, a lively courante, a larghetto, and a concluding allegro.

Schumann Symphony No. 4 in D Minor, Op. 120

The Schumann D Minor Symphony, although called the fourth, was actually the second in order of composition. After its first performance in 1841, it was put away and later revised by Schumann. The symphony was not pub-

lished until after its second performance in 1853.

According to Schumann's instructions, the four movements were to be played without pause. In fact, Clara Schumann referred to it in her diary as a symphony in one movement, yet containing an adagio and a finale. The close relationship of the movements is further evidenced when one notices the similarity of the principal themes in the first and last movements or the same motives in the introduction to the first and the second movements. Such use of similar thematic material throughout a symphonic composition was later employed as a technique by Franck, Liszt, and Tschaikowsky.

The entire symphony breathes the spirit of romanticism. Perhaps its loveliest moments are found in the second movement romance, where the 'cello and oboe sing a plaintive tune supposedly derived from a Provencal folk song. The solo violin follows later, spinning in elaborate figuration the theme of the first movement introduction.

Gounod Mephistopheles Aria from "Faust"

The first performance of Gounod's Faust was given in 1854 at the Lyric Theatre in Paris. Based on Goethe's Faust, the libretto was written by Jules Barbier and Michel Carre.

Mephistopheles' "Serenade," sung in the fourth act, is a bitter insult to Marguerite. Mephistopheles, while accompanying himself on a guitar, mocks the consequences of the girl's undying love for Faust.

Berliox Mephistopheles Serenade from the "Damnation of Faust"

Originally sub-titled "Dramatic Legend," The Damnation of Faust can be presented either as an opera or in concert form. In its early years, Berlioz's opera was a failure. Enormous expenses in production and difficulties with censors further complicated the problems arising from general indifference to the work. Berlioz himself was deeply discouraged at the apparent failure. Although the opera as a whole has never attained a secure footing in the repertoire, many of its excerpts have become concert favorites.

As in Gounod's opera, Mephistopheles' aria is a mocking serenade to the beautiful Marguerite.

Boito Prologue to "Mefistofele"

Boito's Mefistofele was first performed at La Scala in Milan in 1868. Following the plan of Goethe's poem more closely than either Gounod or Berlioz, Boito opens his opera with a "Prologue in Heaven." After trumpet flourishes, an invisible choir representing cherubim and angels sings praise to the eternal harmony of the universe. Mephistopheles then appears, denouncing the Lord's creation of man. In defense of mankind, the angelic choir asks Mephistopheles if he knows Faust. Mephistopheles answers in the affirmative, and makes a wager with the Almighty that he ean cause Faust his destruction.

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PROGRAM 33 SATURDAY EVENING

August 18, 8:15 P. M.

GALA FESTIVAL ORCHESTRA ANSHEL BRUSILOW, Violinist JAMES CHRISTIAN PFOHL, Conductor

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J. C. BACH-STEIN Sinfonia in B-Flat

Allegro assai Andante Presto

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TSCHAIKOWSKY Concerto in D Major for Violin and Or-

chestra, Opus 35
Allegro moderato
Canzonetta: Andante
Finale: Allegro vivacissimo

Mr. Brusilow

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WALLINGFORD

Dance Rhythms

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ALAN HOVHANESS Mysterious Mountain Adoration Double Fugue

Double Fugue Religious Song

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SMETANA

From Bohemia's Meadows and Forests, from the Cycle, "My Fatherland"

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PROGRAM NOTES

WILLIAM V. PORTER, JR.

Saturday evening, August 18

J. C. Bach-Stein _____ Sinfonia in B-Flat

Johann Christian Bach was the youngest son of Johann Sebastian and Anna Magdalena Bach. After the death of his father, he went to live with his brother Carl Philipp Emanuel in Berlin, where he studied clavier-playing and composition. During his adult life, he resided first in Milan and then in London. In England, he listened many times to the young boy Mozart, at that time a touring child prodigy.

The Sinfonia in B-Flat, composed around 1774, was originally the overture to Bach's opera **Lucio Silla**. It is in three movements, which are generally played without pause. The opening allegro exhibits many of the elements of the classic sonata form soon to be developed fully by Mozart. After a charming andante, Bach closes the Sinfonia with a gay rondo.

Tschaikowsky Concerto in D Major for Violin and Orchestra, Op. 35

The Tschaikowsky Concerto met with rather violent reaction during the early years of its existence. Leopold Auer, to whom Tschaikowsky dedicated the work, refused for many years to perform it. Tschaikowsky finally rededicated the concerto to Adolf Brodsky, who premiered it in Vienna in December, 1881. Public opinion continued to be against the concerto for many years. However, with the passing of time, the work has gradually attained a favorite place in violin repertoire.

Brockway and Weinstock aptly sum up the composition with the following comments: "It is primarily a sensuous work to be enjoyed for the opulence of its melodies, its tireless rhythmic variety and vigor, and its bold but sensitive coloring . . . the theme of the first movement has the character of a romantic song . . . The brief canzonetta, a charming interlude of melancholy cast, is a needed moment of rest before the violent dynamics of the finale."

Wallingford Riegger Dance Rhythms

Born in Albany, Georgia, in 1885, Wallingford Riegger has had an illustrious career as conductor, composer, and teacher. He graduated from the Institute of Musical Art in New York in 1907, and went from there to Europe and the Berlin Hochschule. He has held teaching positions at Drake University, Ithaca, Juilliard, Columbia University, and the New York School for Social Research. For his compositions, he has received many outstanding awards.

Dance Rhythms was commissioned by Thor Johnson for the Peninsula Festival in Ephriam, Wisconsin. However, its premiere was given in the composer's birthplace on March 4, 1955, by the Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra.

Alan Hovhaness Mysterious Mountain

Mysterious Mountain was premiered last October by Leopold Stokowski and the Houston Symphony Orchestra. The forty-four-year-old composer, a graduate of the New England Conservatory of Music, already has a large number of compositions to his credit, including several symphonies and concertos. The following quotation is from Jubert Roussel's review of the first performance (Houston Post, November 1, 1955): "The form is that of two grave, rhapsodic sections, dealing essentially with the same thought, separated by a movement consisting of slow and fast fugues. This interval is most dexterously made, but the glory of the work lies in its outside movements—due to Hovhaness' inspired writing for strings, or strings in combination with brass choirs."

Smetana From Bohemia's Meadows and Forests, from the Cycle "My Fatherland"

Under the title of "My Fatherland," the Bohemian composer Smetana composed a cycle of symphonic poems, which he dedicated to his beloved city of Prague. "From Bohemia's Meadows and Forests" is fourth in this series. The composition presents pictures of Bohemian country-side and the peasants at work and at dance.



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PROGRAM 34 SUNDAY AFTERNOON

August 19, 4:00 P. M.

GALA FESTIVAL ORCHESTRA GIORGIO TOZZI, Bass JAMES CHRISTIAN PFOHL, Conductor

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HAYDN

Symphony No. 88 in G Major Adagio; Allegro Largo

Menuetto; Trio Finale: Allegro con spirita

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BRAHMS

Four Serious Songs, Opus 121
Denn es gehet dem Menschen
Ich wandte mich und sahe
O Tod, wie bitter
Wenn ich mit Menschen und mit

Wenn ich mit Menschen und Engelzungen

Mr. Tozzi

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MOUSSORGSKY-RAVEL Pictures at an Exhibition
The Gnome
The Old Castle
Tuileries
The Polish Oxcart
Ballet of Chicks in their Shells

Samuel Goldenburg and Schmuyle The Market Place

The Catacombs
The Hut on Fowls' Legs
The Great Gate at Kiev

PROGRAM NOTES

WILLIAM V. PORTER, JR.

Sunday afternoon, August 19

Haydn Symphony No. 88 in G Major

Haydn's 88th Symphony was first performed in Paris in 1787. Parision audiences had already heard the premieres of six Haydn symphonies commissioned by an aristocratic society, the "Loge Olympique," in 1784. Although there is no definite proof, it is generally thought that the 88th Symphony was composed for the same organization.

After a short adagio introduction, the main part of the first movement begins with a catchy theme first given to the strings. With the repetition of this theme, a countersubject is introduced which plays an important role in the rest of the movement. In the absence of a distinct secondary theme, Hoydn presents many clever variations of the principal theme.

The second movement, an adagio, is likewise fashioned from a single theme announced at the beginning by solo 'cello and oboe in duet. The third movement is a stately minuet. The finale, a rondo in form, is based upon a gay country-dance tune introduced at the outset.

The spirited character of the first and last movements and the simple beauty of the second have long made the work a perennial favorite of symphonic audiences.

Brahms Four Serious Songs, Op. 121

The **Four Serious Songs**, using Biblical texts, were published in the last year of Brahms' life. A somber, almost tragic atmosphere prevails throughout each. It is as if Brahms were reflecting on his past life, realizing that his end was soon to come.

Some commentators attribute the depressing mood of these songs to Brahms' distress over the death of Clara Schumann. However, Clara died after the songs were completed. The dedication was not to her, but to Max Klinger.

Moussorgsky-Ravel Pictures at an Exhibition

"Pictures at an Exhibition" was composed by Moussorgsky as a tribute to an architect friend, Victor Hartmann, who had died during the summer of 1873. Friends of Hartmann at the St. Petersburg Academy of Arts had assembled a memorial exhibition of the artist's drawings and water colors. After visiting the exhibition, Moussorgsky resolved to express his sympathy and admiration by depicting in music selected scenes from Hartmann's works.

The original composition was completed for piano solo in 1874. A complete transcription for orchestra was made by Maurice Ravel in 1923 for use in concerts under the direction of Serge Koussevitzky. It is this transcription which the orchesta plays this afternoon.

Moussorasky selected ten of Hartmann's works, composing a short program piece for each. Preceding the opening number and several of the others is a "promenade," which portrays the composer strolling from one picture to another. Sometimes he rushes; other times, his pace becomes slower while he perhaps thinks of his beloved friend. Moussorgsky effectively captures in music the variety of moods in the ten pictures. I. "Gnomes." An imaginary little creature jumps and crawls. II. "Old Castle." Before an ancient castle, a troubadour sings his sombre melody. This tune is given by Ravel to the solo saxophone. III. "Tuileries." Children play and quarrel in these famous gardens of Paris. IV. "Bydlo." The Bydlo, a Polish oxcart with huge wheels, clumsily approaches and then passes on down the road. V. "Ballet of the Unhatched Chicks." Hartmann made this design in planning costumes for a ballet. VI. "Samuel Goldenberg and Schmuyle." Two Jews, one rich and pompous and the other impoverished, are represented by strings in a low register and a muted trumpet. VII. "Limoges." In the market place, the women gossip and argue. VIII. "Catacombs." With the aid of a lantern, Hartmann is visiting the catacombs of Paris. IX. "The Hut on Fowls' Legs." An ancient Russian clock in the shape of a witch's hut stands on fowls' legs. X. "The Great Gate at Kiev." Hartmann proposed a massive gate in the shape of a Russian helmet to stand before the city of Kiev.

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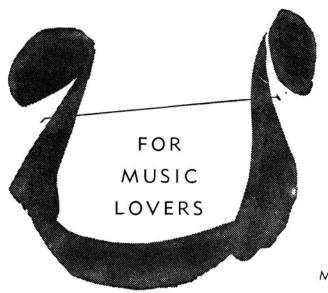
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PROGRAM 35 FRIDAY EVENING

August 24, 8:15 P. M.

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LALO Overture to "Le Roi d'Ys"

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Variations on a Nursery Rhyme, Opus 25 Mr. Pennario

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TSCHAIKOWSKY

Symphony No. 6 in B Minor, Opus 74,
"Pathetique"
Adagio; Allegro non troppo
Allegro con grazia
Allegro molto vivace
Finale: Adagio lamentoso

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PROGRAM NOTES

WILLIAM V. PORTER, JR.

Friday evening, August 24

Lalo Overture to "Le Roi d'Ys"

The opera **Le Roi d'Ys** was premiered by the Opera Comique in Paris in 1888, ten years after its completion by Lalo. It was immediately received as a success, and has remained popular in French operatic repertoire up to the present time. American audiences in general have not shown so much enthusiasm for the opera in its entirety, but have preferred to direct their attention to the overture as an independent concert piece. Certain themes in the overture preview arias which are to come later in the opera.

The overture opens with an andante introduction. After the beginning few measures, the solo clarinet presents a theme sung by the young knight Mylio in the first act. Gradually the introduction builds to an imposing climax, heightened by flourishing trumpet. The energetic allegro which follows receives much of its drive through surging crescendos and sudden dynamic drops. A slower cantabile section featuring solo 'cello sets forth a melody to be used later in the opera by the gentle princess Rozern. Return-

ing to the original tempo and mood of the allegro, the overture is brought to a stirring conclusion.

Ernst von Dohnanyi, born in Pressburg, Hungary, in 1877, has led a very active career as composer, pianist, and conductor. In 1948, he settled in Tallahassee, Florida, where he became a faculty member at Florida State University. Last summer, Mr. Dohnanyi visited the Brevard Music Center and performed his Second Piano Concerto with orchestra.

Variations on a Nursery Rhyme begins with a long, weighty introduction by the orchestra. The piano finally enters, stating in utmost simplicity the tune known to everyone as the setting for the alphabet. It is upon this theme that Dohnanyi bases the rest of the work. Eleven variations follow. Evidences of the influence of Brahms, Debussy, and the Viennese waltz pop out in various places. Other variations are amusing because of grotesque orchestral effects. A fugato with brilliant solo passage work follows the last variation and leads to a restatement of the original theme. The work ends with a flashy coda.

Tschaikowsky Symphony No. 6 in B Minor, Op. 74, "Pathetique"

Tschaikowsky's Sixth Symphony, composed over a period of seven months, was finally completed in August, 1893. At the suggestion of the composer's brother Modest, the symphony was entitled "Pathetique." The premiere performance was poorly received both by participating musicians and audience. Tschaikowsky's death within one week after the premiere has led many to consider this symphony the composer's personal requiem, his farewell to the world.

The main theme of the opening movement is fore-shadowed by solo bassoon in an adagio introduction. This theme is completely stated as the tempo changes to allegro non troppo. The second theme, in complete contrast to the energetic first, is tenderly announced by muted strings over a quiet harmonic background. After a frenzied development section, the movement returns to the restful second theme, and closes with a soft chorale-like theme in the winds over a pizzicato ostinato.

The second movement, a lilting five-four allegro, provides ample contrast to the melancholy portions of the first. A middle section over pedal bass curtails somewhat the carefree atmosphere of the rest of the movement. Movement three is a spirited march, consisting of a catchy principal theme and a staccato triplet pattern which persists throughout most of the movement. The finale most clearly represents the mood suggested by Tschaikowsky's title for the symphony. Two lamenting melodies supply the thematic material for this movement.

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PROGRAM 36 SATURDAY EVENING

August 25, 8:15 P. M.

LEONARD PENNARIO, Pianist ELIZABETH WINSLOW, Soprano MORLEY MEREDITH, Baritone GALA FESTIVAL ORCHESTRA JAMES CHRISTIAN PFOHL, Conductor FESTIVAL CHORAL ENSEMBLE GORDON PAGE, Conductor

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Concerto in F. Major for Piano and Or-

chestra Allegro Andante Allegro agitato Mr. Pennario

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GERSHWIN-BENNETT Selections from "Porgy and Bess"

Introduction Summertime

A Woman Is A Sometime Thing

Gone, Gone, Gone My Man's Gone Now Promised Land I Got Plenty O' Nuttin' Bess, You Is My Woman Now O, I Can't Sit Down

It Ain't Necessarily So

There's A Boat Dat's Leavin' Soon For New York

Oh Lawd, I'm On My Way

Miss Winslow Mr. Meredith Choral Ensemble

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PROGRAM NOTES

WILLIAM V. PORTER, JR.

Saturday evening, August 25

Gershwin Strike Up the Band

Gershwin's musical comedy, **Strike Up the Band**, was first produced in 1930, although portions had been released several years earlier. The title piece from this comedy, a rousing military march, is actually a satire. It was written to mock the undesirable aspects of military life.

Gershwin Concerto in F Major for
Piano and Orchestra

In 1925 Walter Damrosch, then conductor of the New York Symphony Society, commissioned the young composer George Gershwin to write a jazz piano concerto. Gershwin had just enjoyed impressive success with his **Rhapsody In Blue** and was quite willing to undertake the composition of a larger solo work. It is said, however, that since he knew so little about the concerto form after signing the contract for the commission, he had to buy a textbook to read of conventional concerto technique. The completed work was introduced at Carnegie Hall on December 3, 1925, with Damrosch conducting the New York Symphony Society Orchestra and the composer at the piano.

The new concerto was an instant success. Although Gershwin was by no means a master at large-scale symphonic form, the composition with its jazz syncopations and blues melodies contains a wealth of fresh ideas brought forth with considerable vitality.

Porgy and Bess, an opera in three acts with libretto by Ira Gershwin and Dubose Heyward, is a folk tale of the South. "Its people naturally would sing folk music," Gershwin explained. "When I first began work on the music I decided against the use of original folk material because I wanted the music to be all of one piece. Therefore I wrote my own Spirituals and folk songs. But they are still folk music—and therefore, being operatic in form, Porgy and Bess becomes a folk opera."

The composer took eleven months to write the score and another nine months to orchestrate it. Finally in 1935, it was first performed in Boston. Its earliest criticisms called it a hybrid product—neither opera nor musical comedy. Since then, however, it has come to be accepted as Gershwin's greatest work and as one of the most important achievements of American opera.

The selections heard tonight are highlights from the opera, arranged for concert presentation by Robert Russell Bennett

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MOZART

Allelulia, from "Exsultate, Jubilate"
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Symphony in D. Minor Lento; Allegro non troppo Allegretto Allegro non troppo

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ON THE LAWN
(Dance)—Orchestra
Floret silva — Chorus and Small
Chorus
Chramer, gip die varwe mir — Soli
(Sopranos) and Chorus
Reie (Round Dance)—Orchestra
Swaz hie gat umbe—Chorus
Chume, chum, geselle min —
Small Chorus
Swaz hie gat umbe—Chorus
Were diu werlt alle min—Chorus

II. IN THE TAVERN

Estuans interius—Baritone Solo
Olim lacus colueram — Tenor Solo
and Male Chorus
Ego sum abbas—Baritone Solo and
Male Chorus
In taberna quando sumus — Male
Chorus

III. THE COURT OF LOVE

Amor volat undique—Soprano Solo and Chorus
Dies, nox et omnia—Baritone Solo Stetit puella—Soprano Solo Circa mea Pectora—Baritone Solo and Chorus
Si puer cum puellula—Soli (Three Tenors, Baritone, Two Basses)
Veni, veni, venias—Double Chorus
In trutina—Soprano Solo
Tempus est iocundum — Soli (Soprano and Baritone), Chorus
Dulcissime—Soprano Solo

BLANZIFLOR AND HELENA Ave formosissima—Chorus

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PROGRAM NOTES

WILLIAM V. PORTER, JR.

Sunday afternoon, August 26

Mozart Allelulia, from "Exsultate, Jubilate"

The Exsultate, Jubilate motet was written by Mozart while in Italy in 1773. At this time, the young composer was in his middle teens and had just enjoyed spectacular success with his opera Lucio Silla. Exsultate, Jubilate was not originally written for soprano, but for the castrato Venanzio Rauzzini. The name motet is perhaps misleading in this composition. Although containing some devotional aspects, the work might be more properly called a dramatic cantata.

Scored for two oboes, two horns, vocal solo, and strings, the motet is composed of three movements. The "Alle-Julia" brings the composition to a joyful close.

Franck Symphony in D Minor

Franck's Symphony, composed in 1888, was introduced by the Societe des Concerts du Conservatoire on February 17, 1889. This first performance was disappointing in every respect. Only through the insistence of the conductor would the musicians play the rehearsals and the concert. All the leading critics of Paris expressed their disapproval in no uncertain terms. One shouted, "This is no symphony. Who ever heard of a symphony with an English horn?"

Yet from such beginnings, the work has grown to become one of the favorites in symphonic repertoire and the best loved of Franck's compositions. The symphony opens with a majestic lento introduction, stating the principal subject of the first movement in the lower strings. This introduction slowly grows in intensity until finally an allegro non troppo bursts forth. The second movement is memorable for its yearning English horn melody, accompanied first by pizzicato strings and harp, and then by a counterpoint in the violas. This movement contains a contrasting section by muted strings, designated by the composer as a scherzo. The third and final movement reviews briefly the main themes of the preceding movements.

Carl Orff Carmina Burana

Near a small Bavarian village about forty miles south of Munich lies the monastery of Benedictbeuren, founded in 733. Here in 1803, scholars discovered among musty documents of another era a large collection of medieval secular songs written in vulgar Latin and coarse German. The poets and composers of these songs were found to be renegades, wandering students called "goliards," and monks who had rejected the rigorous discipline of their lives.

Carl Orff, one of Germany's most important living composers, has selected a group of these poems and with them constructed a secular cantata. Carmina Burana was first produced at the Frankfort Opera House in June 1937. After a New York City performance in 1954, it was awarded the New York Music Critics Circle Award for choral composition.

The overall style of the songs might be described as "neo-primitive." Conventional harmonic and contrapuntal techniques are deliberately suppressed to give added importance to rhythmic drive. Melodic material, while in many cases suggests folks songs, is fragmentary, archaic, and undeveloped.

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