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Fall 2023 – Spring 2024 Concert Series

University of Richmond Chamber Ensembles

Monday, December 4, 2023
7:30 PM
Camp Concert Hall
Booker Hall of Music



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PROGRAM

"L'amerò, sarò costante" from *Il re pastore*, K. 208

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756-1791)

Laura Knouse, soprano Carolyn Thurber, violin Xipeng Ke, piano

I shall love her, I shall be faithful, A loyal husband and constant lover. I shall only sigh for her.

In such a dear and sweet object, I shall find my joy, my delight, and my peace.

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Die Nonne und der Ritter, op. 28, no. 1

Johannes Brahms (1833 – 1897)

Melanie Sanchez, alto Frankie Davis Daniels, baritone Cadence Rice, piano

As the world goes to rest, my yearning awakens with the stars; I must listen in the cool as the waves roar below! "I am brought here from far away by waves that beat so mournfully against the land, beneath the bars of your window. Lady, do you still know this Knight?"

It is as if strange voices are floating through the mild air; once again the wind has taken them away, alas, my heart is so anxious!

"Over there lies your ruined castle lamenting in its desolate halls; the way the woods greeted me, I felt as though I must die."

Old sounds burst forth, sunk long since in time; melancholy falls on me once again, and I feel like weeping from my heart.

"Over the wood lightning flashes from afar, where they are fighting over the grave of Christ; There will I steer my ship, and there will everything end!"

A ship leaves with a man upon it; false night, you bewilder the mind! Farewell, world! May God protect those who wander madly in darkness!

Original text by Joseph Karl Benedikt, Freiherr von Eichendorff English translation copyright © by Emily Ezust, from the LiederNet Archive Fantasie, op. 79

Gabriel Fauré (1845 – 1924)

Katherine Nguyen, flute Leah Li, piano

Piano Trio in Bb Major, D. 898 II. *Andante un poco mosso*

Franz Schubert (1797 – 1828)

Noah Robinson, violin Christoph Wagner, cello Joanne Kong, piano

INTERMISSION

Wulan Sabit (Crescent Moon) - World Premiere

Peni Candra Rini (b. 1983) Arr. by Andrew McGraw and Daniel Leibovic

Peni Candra Rini, vocalist Andrew McGraw, gamelan Christoph Wagner, cello Joanne Kong, piano

Like the sincerity of the crescent moon
Which is covered by the back of the earth
Silence that learns from light
Solitude that learns from the crutches of life,
to be able to stand strong
A mute who learns from sound
Fear that learns to be brave
The crescent moon is the song

I'm just the moon
For a fixed night
It's beautiful when you look at it
from all directions the pendulum is always
perpendicular to the earth's gravity
Just once you find my true light
Not just a mirage but serene
Sinking, diving in your eyes
Falling from my shallowness
But actually I'm dead without water
Barren without wind
Truly interested in your heart, in your soul, in all your movements and wisdom
So the earth at night is very beautiful

Crescent moon song
The crescent moon is the smile of true love

Original text by Peni Candra Rini English translation by Daniel Leibovic

Chant du ménestrel, op. 71

Alexander Glazunov (1865 – 1036) Arr. by Ivan Demchenko

Tableaux de Provence
I. <u>Farandole</u> des jeunes filles
III. La bohémienne

Paule Maurice (1910 – 1967)

Tim Wen, saxophone Joanne Kong, piano

An Elizabethan Songbook

I. Come Away, Come Sweet Love III. Weep You No More, Sad Fountain

IV. Jack and Joan, They Think No Ill

Eric Ewazen (b. 1954)

Andrew Magrane, trumpet Eli Chancey, trombone Joanne Kong, piano

GUEST ARTISTS

Dr. Christoph Wagner is a prize-winning cellist, sought-after chamber musician, and noted pedagogue. He has performed in major concert halls in Europe such as the Berlin Philharmonie and the Concertgebouw Amsterdam, under renowned conductors including Jonathan Nott, Lothar Zagrosek, and Stefan Asbury, and appeared at the Wiesbaden Winter Music Festival, Aspen Music Festival, and the Holocaust Museum in Houston, Texas. His international career has spanned four continents, including appearances in Switzerland, Croatia, France, Italy, South Africa, South America, China, South Korea and the US. Wagner has been a passionate music ambassador as fellowship holder from Live Music Now -Yehudi Menuhin Foundation in Germany and as a musician in Classical Connections in Bloomington, where he played numerous concerts in underserved areas. Active in expanding the role of the arts in community outreach, Wagner participated in a summer residency with Street Symphony in Los Angeles in 2018. Currently he is Assistant Professor of Cello at the University of New Mexico.

Dr. Peni Candra Rini is the daughter of a master puppeteer from East Java, Indonesia, and one of few female contemporary composers, songwriters, poets, and vocalists who performs *sinden*, a soloist-female style of gamelan singing. She has collaborated with various gamelan groups from all over the world, and has performed at major festivals including Mascot SIPA Solo International Performing Arts 2016, TEDx Ubud 2019, Big Ears Festival 2019, Mapping Melbourne 2018

Multicultural Art Festival, International Gamelan Festival 2018 Surakarta, Indonesian Tong-Festival Festival 2018 in The Hague, Holland Festival 2017, WOMADelaide festival 2014 in Adelaide, Spoleto dei Due Mondi Festival 2013, and Lincoln Center White Lights Festival 2011. In 2012, Candra Rini completed an artist residency at the California Art Institute with funding from the Asian Cultural Council. During that time, she appeared as a guest artist at eight American universities and participated in master classes with vocal master Meredith Monk. In addition to this extensive work as a performer, Candra Rini is also a lecturer in the Karawitan Department, an Aga Khan Laureate, and a former Fulbright Scholar. In 2021, she earned a doctorate in Musical Arts from the Indonesian Art Institute (ISI) in Surakarta.

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CHAMBER ENSEMBLES COACHES

Naima Burrs

Dr. Paul Hanson

Dr. Joanne Kong

GUEST COACHES

Leyla McCalla

Dr. Christoph Wagner

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Dr. Christoph Wagner

