

A WINTER CONCERT

Sunday, December 3, 2023 Strong Auditorium 3:00 p.m.







Welcome back to Strong Auditorium!

And, the continuation of our 2023-2024 season. We're delighted to share music this afternoon that speaks to both the intimacy of musical beauty and the sweeping glory of immense orchestral colour. We are celebrating our first collaboration of the year with our combined choral forces here on the River Campus and doing so in the magnificent music of the English composer Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958). In a creative life that spanned the first half of the twentieth century, Williams succeeded in making the Vaughan musical antecedents of his country his main influence, along with an orchestral style that developed with the help of his relationship and tutelage with Maurice Ravel. The end result, as you'll hear today, is both lush and spare, intimate and grand, and always deeply rich in colour. Thanks for joining us!



Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

Wassail Song, traditional English carol

Serenade to Music (1938)

Nyla Thomas, soprano
Emily Skilling, mezzo-soprano
Noah Carver, tenor
Simon Lea, baritone

-- Short Pause -

Symphony No. 8 in D minor (1955)

Concert Choir Julie Covach, Director

Mija Aleksandraviciute Elena Bachmann Gautam Bajaj Sam Baker Maya Brosnick Sammy Carstens Elias Dahl Alessandra Fiorino Jackie Hsiao TJ Lanks
Billy Lian
Lina Liu
Raye Liu
Lauren Mallari
Shaina Park
Jinwoo Park
John Park
Alistair Selby

Abagael Speights
Tyler Walter
Winnie Wang
Serena Wong
Calvin Wong
Jasmine Xiang
Harry Zeng
Jazmine Zhang
Eli Zusin

Chamber Singers Julie Covach, Director

Louis Bailey
Kyle Christoff
Kerri Golden
Katie Hartrick
Jubair Huq
Quinn Kubistek
Sasha Lifchez

Kristen Lipp
Jenny McIntosh
Gabriel Pierce
Chris Riveros
Sarah Sandkuhler
Alex Saunders
Josie Schultz

Angelina Severino
Soren Shahan
Luna Trumble
Serena Wong
Layna Yang
Marina Zapesochny
Harry Zeng
Clay Zinner

Chamber Orchestra

Mark E.M.L. Powell, DMA, Director

| Flute & Piccolo | Trombone & | <u>Violin II</u> |
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| Willow Veytsman | Bass Trombone | Aashay Mardikar |
| Tony Sun | Darron King | Emma Maconaughey |
| Lindsey Brayer | Angel Paz | Allison Love |
| | Xingyu Chen | Katie Daniel |
| <u>Oboe</u> | Tuba | Malia Dickinson |
| Maya Daniello | Yasha Rubakha | |
| Kathleen Holt | | <u>Viola</u> |
| | <u>Timpani</u> | Donovan Snyder |
| English Horn | Alexa Pishtey | Josh Stead-Dorval |
| Kathleen Holt | | Brooke Stanley |
| | <u>Percussion</u> | Kaitlyn McIntosh |
| <u>Clarinet</u> | Andrew Lauler | Jakob Riches |
| Joshua Nova-Yingst | | |
| Joshua Daniels | <u>Keyboards</u> | <u>Cello</u> |
| | Vikraanth Sinha | Ryan Hsu |
| <u>Bassoon</u> | Jacob Rose | Yongyan Wang |
| Isaac Ondo | | Claire Choi |
| Blaire Koerner | <u>Violin I</u> | Zhengyang Zhu |
| | Grace Speller | Rachel Jang |
| French Horn | Sarah Koehler | Julia Tricomi |
| Charlotte Spalding | Victor Gu | William Bothe |
| Emily Gipson | Ehren Collins | |
| Emily Krasinski | Jonathan Wang | Bass |
| Ethan Hess | Kamdyn Smith | Logan Cuda |
| | Emily Bonanno | |
| Trumpet | , | |
| Millicent Hawkins | | |
| Jackson Gerew | | |
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Rebecca Reagan

Julie Covach is an adjunct instructor at the University of Rochester where she directs the Chamber Singers and Concert Choir; she also teaches and serves as collaborative pianist in the Musical Theatre Program at Nazareth University. She is well known as a musical director and conductor in the Rochester area theatre community; recent productions have included *Austen's Pride, The Pirates of Penzance* (JCC CenterStage); *Tick Tick Boom, Spamalot* (Blackfriars Theatre); *Beauty and the Beast* (Pittsford Musicals.) She holds a master's degree in keyboard instruments from the University of Michigan as well as bachelor's degrees in psychology and choral music education.

Mark E. M. L. Powell, DMA is Senior Lecturer in Music and Director of Orchestral Activities in the Arthur Satz Department of Music at the University of Rochester where he conducts the symphony and chamber orchestras and teaches conducting and ensemble literature. A Ford Foundation American Conductors Prize winner, he was the founding music director of the American Radio Chamber Orchestra and lead conductor for the New Conductors Orchestra in Manhattan. Powell made his European conducting debut at the Korsholm Music Festival, his Concertgebouw debut with the Netherlands Radio Symphony, and his Cleveland debut with the Cleveland Chamber Symphony.

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Strong Auditorium Chief of Production

Mathew Reese

Upcoming Arthur Satz Music Department Concerts

Friday, December 8, 2023
Brass Ensemble Holiday Concert
Saturday, December 9, 2023
Chamber Singers / Concert Choir
Sunday, December 10, 2023
Rock Repertory Ensemble

Upcoming UR Orchestras Concerts

February 22, 2024 Stravinsky / Musgrave / Sibelius February 23, 2024 Rossini / Higdon / Saint-Saëns