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#### From the Director

By the waters of Babylon we lay down and wept for thee, Zion.

Throughout history, people have been sold into slavery, forced to forget their own culture and language, made to endure unspeakably harsh treatment, and yet from these horrific experiences have come some of our most powerful music. History's displaced culture—our diasporas—have generated powerful musical settings of Psalm 137, created the incredible richness of music of blues, jazz, and African-American spirituals, and shown us the power of people to retain their cultural identity even when torn from their homes.

This weekend's concerts celebrate the music of many diasporas from around the world and throughout the ages. From musical settings recalling the Babylonian exile to African-American spirituals to traditional Irish, Czech, and Arabic songs (and much more), you'll hear our singers use their own voices to give power to the voices of displaced peoples.

On behalf of our entire Madison Youth Choirs community, thank you for coming to our concerts.

Mike Ross, Artistic/Executive Director



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# SOUNDS LIKE HOME:

Music in Diaspora

7:00pm, Saturday, May 7, 2016 Capitol Theater, Overture Center for the Arts



#### **PURCELL**

Margaret Jenks, conductor Andrew Johnson, piano

#### **BRITTEN**

Randal Swiggum, conductor Steve Radtke, piano

#### **HOLST**

Margaret Jenks and Randal Swiggum, conductors

On July 10, 586 BCE the Babylonian army of Nebuchadnezzar finally broke through the city wall of Jerusalem after a brutal, eighteen-month siege. The people of Jerusalem were broken, destitute, and starving. The city was burned and sacked, its walls torn down and its magnificent Temple of Solomon looted and destroyed. The city's leading families and all military, civic, and religious leaders were either executed or marched in chains the seven hundred miles across the Syrian Desert to Babylon. Those considered too weak, too old, or too poor were slaughtered.

Babylon, situated between the Tigris and Euphrates rivers, was at the time the largest and most magnificent city in the world. The Jewish captives certainly marveled at its spectacular architecture and wealth. After their resettlement there, they were allowed to live in relative peace. But trauma of exile and the strangeness of their new home was disorienting.

Psalm 137 is the most poignant expression of this disoriented feeling of exiles, in any century or place—the piercing sadness of missing the familiar (especially missing loved ones who have perished) and the loneliness of being among unfamiliar people, customs, and food.

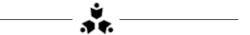
This is perhaps one of the reasons this psalm has been set to music by hundreds of composers over the last 2000 years. Its deep melancholy and bitterness is a feeling familiar to anyone who has felt out of place, among strangers, with a loss of personal agency or control. Even though our new home might be safe and even beautiful, doesn't mean we don't long for our old one.

By the waters of Babylon, there we sat down and wept, when we remembered Zion.

On the willows there we hung up our lyres.
For there our captors required of us songs, and our tormentors, mirth, saying, "Sing us one of the songs of Zion!" But how shall we sing the Lord's song in a foreign land?

If I forget you, O Jerusalem, let my right hand forget its skill!

#### **MADISON BOYCHOIR**



#### By the Waters of Babylon

Traditional

Nathaniel Johnson, violin; Eric Miller, cello

At the end of *American Pie*, Don McLean's Billboard-topping 1971 album, was this haunting song which McLean co-arranged with Lee Hays of The Weavers. It is a three-line canon (or "round") and on the recording McLean overdubbed his own voice to create the effect of multiple voices singing in counterpoint. It has been discovered that the song is neither a folk song nor original to McLean. It was originally written by English composer Philip Hayes and published in 1786. The boys pondered the question: *what is it about this ancient text that continues to inspire both classical composers and pop singers?* 

#### **PURCELL**



#### Sometimes I Feel Like a Motherless Child

Traditional spiritual Arranged by Harry T. Burleigh

The largest forced migration in history was the African diaspora—the wide dispersal of mostly West and Central African peoples through the Atlantic slave trade. Africans were captured, enslaved and shipped to the Middle East and Asia beginning as early as the 8th century, but it was the European slave trade, begun in the 16th century, which sustained the largest movement of enslaved peoples, a movement which eventually transported millions of displaced peoples to the Americas.

Indeed, today the largest populations of descendants of the African diaspora are in Brazil and the United States. The legacy of slavery in the U.S. is still deeply painful and problematic. Perhaps its only recompense is a rich tradition of African-American music, recognized throughout the world as one of America's greatest cultural contributions. Jazz, blues, soul, ragtime, hip-hop, gospel, barbershop, funk, and even rock and roll all trace their origins to the music of slaves.

Harry Thacker Burleigh (b.1866) was the grandson of Maryland slaves who had bought their own freedom in 1832. Burleigh's musical gifts were recognized early and at 26 he received a scholarship to attend New York's prestigious National Conservatory, where he came to the attention of the conservatory's new director, Antonín Dvořák. Dvořák encouraged the young baritone to not only sing the slave songs that had been passed down to him, but to make them available to other singers. The songs at the time were known as "plantation songs" but Burleigh called them "spirituals."

Among the hundreds of spirituals that have been passed down to us, this song probably expresses better than any the deep emptiness of separation from family, which was the slave's certain future, as children were ripped from their mother's arms, bought and sold, and transported far away, not only losing touch with their parents and siblings, but losing their very identity.

When Burleigh published this spiritual in 1917, he wrote that "in these songs there breathes a hope, a faith in the ultimate justice and brotherhood of man. Even in its cadences of sorrow, the message is ever manifest that eventually deliverance from all that hinders and oppresses the soul will come, and man—every man—will be free."

Hashivenu

(sung in Hebrew)

Traditional Israeli song Arranged by Doreen Rao

Restore us to yourself, O Lord, that we may return to You. Renew our days, as of old. (Lamentations of Jeremiah 5:21)

The prophet Jeremiah (c.650-570 BCE) watched as Jerusalem was destroyed and his people taken captive by the Babylonians. He himself was exiled to Egypt but he continued to call the Jews to repentance, true worship, and social justice. His words, including "Hashivenu," are still recited as part of the readings for Tisha B'Av, the day in the Jewish calendar which recalls the destruction of the temple and the exile of the Jews. When the reader reaches this verse—the second to last verse in the book—he pauses, and the congregation recites it in unison. Then it is sung, to a haunting melody like this one, as the scroll is returned to the Ark.

Meda Wawa Ase

Akan Folksong

(sung in Akan)

I am lying under the wawa tree. A young man such as me—I am lying under the wawa tree. I am in the hands of my enemies.

The Akan is one of the largest and oldest people groups of West Africa. Between the 15<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> century, the Akan kingdom dominated the economy of what is now Ghana and the Ivory Coast, especially in gold mining and the slave trade. Huge numbers of Akan were taken as captives to the Americas, and many modern African Americans can trace part of their ancestry to the Akan.

Displaced peoples everywhere, throughout history, have taught their children songs as a way of preserving memories, group identity, and cultural values. "Meda Wawa Ase" is intended to remind children, especially adolescents, of their obligations to society—to be responsible, active, alert, and not wasting time. Songs like this, traditionally sung by elders to young people, help define what is a "good life" and the consequences of bad behavior.

#### **BRITTEN**



Super flumina Babilonis (sung in Latin)

Giacomo Carissimi (1605-1674)

On the rivers of Babylon, there we sat down and wept, When we remembered thee, Zion. (Psalm 137)

Carissimi was one of hundreds of composers drawn to Psalm 137, including Palestrina, Victoria, di Lasso, Marenzio, Sweelinck, Praetorius, Charpentier, Schütz, Bach, Gounod, Liszt, Faure, Dvořák, and even pop singer Leonard Cohen. Carissimi's



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setting is typical of the very early Baroque—a recitative-like style over a harmonized bass line, the *basso continuo*. It was the first section of a larger work, an oratorio, a form Carissimi virtually invented, which ruled sacred music for the next 200 years, culminating in works like Handel's *Messiah*.

Originally written for two soloists, the piece is still unpublished today. It was edited and prepared for Britten especially for this concert, making this almost certainly the first performance of the piece by a boychoir. The Britten boys explored the tension in harmonic *suspensions*, a typically Baroque device used throughout the piece. We also were challenged to sustain intensity in the piece's long lines—phrases filled with longing and sadness.

#### The Minstrel Boy

Traditional Irish Song Arranged by Benjamin Britten (1913–1976)

Another of the great historic diasporas is, of course, that of the Irish. Since about 1700, nearly ten million people have emigrated from Ireland, mostly to England and the United States. Poverty, famine, the chance for a better life, and the oppression of the British all drove a relentless movement of Irish to better conditions.

Like all exiled peoples, the Irish also took their songs with them as a way of preserving their values and identity. "The Minstrel Boy," with words by Thomas Moore (1779–1852) and an old Irish melody called "The Moreen," was widely popular among the many young Irish men who fought in the American Civil War. It is still popular with groups with a heavy Irish representation, like the police and firemen of Boston and New York City, and is often played on bagpipes at their funerals. The Britten boys spent considerable time exploring what was particularly "Irish" about it (the harp and sword) and what was universal (pride and boldness). Benjamin Britten, although English himself, created an arrangement both tender and defiant, with the piano accompaniment imitating a military drum and the boy's Irish harp.

#### C Jam Blues (Duke's Place)

Duke Ellington (1899–1974)

John Mesoloras, bass; Eric Miller, trumpet; Andrew Johnson, drums

Jazz is one of the great gifts of African American music to the entire world—a rich family tree with many branches and buds. Exploring this jazz classic from 1942 gave the Britten boys a chance to explore the twelve-bar blues progression, the idea of "swung" eighth notes, scat singing, and vocal imitation of instruments in "trading." Originally titled "C Jam Blues" (usually played in the key of C) it was a vehicle for the Ellington band members to "jam" together for fun, after the club closed for the night. Later, lyrics were added by Ruth Roberts, Bill Katts, and Bob Thiele and the song was recorded by many artists, most notably Ella Fitzgerald.

#### **BRITTEN AND HOLST**



#### Riflemen of Bennington

Traditional

Arranged by Randal Swiggum

Zachary Yost, piccolo; Andrew Johnson, field drum

The American Revolution was the first significant political event in the colonies to inspire an outpouring of new music, especially songs like this, which rallied the disparate colonists to action. Based loosely on the events of the Battle of Bennington (Vermont) on August 16, 1777, the song mentions John Stark (the commander of the rebel army) and conveys the swagger and confidence of the Green Mountain Boys, led by Nathan Hale.

The arrangement was created especially for the Madison Boychoir Festival. It's a great example of something we often explore in the boychoir: how a song is often not about what it seems to be about. As one boy put it, "It's really not about guns, even though we sing the word 'rifle' (because it rhymes with 'trifle'). It's more about 'we may be small, and ragged, and not look like much—but we have our pride and we stick together, and we are gonna win this battle!"

**HOLST** 



#### As by the Streames of Babilon

Thomas Campion (1567–1620)

Yet another setting of Psalm 137, in this case an Elizabethan-era lute song. Thomas Campion, a contemporary of Shakespeare in London (who almost certainly knew the Bard), wrote many of these lute songs, intended for amateur music-making in the home and men's societies. This version is a rhymed, metered setting of the original psalm, probably created by Campion himself. Holst noticed features of the piece which contribute to its longing and melancholy, including the alternating of major and minor keys and effective use of small silences which break up the longer phrase, creating not only a sighing effect, but an almost disjointed, emotionally "broken up" feeling.

**Rocky Road to Dublin** 

Traditional

Arranged by Matthew Herman

Nathaniel Johnson, violin

Written in the mid-19<sup>th</sup> century by the Galway poet D.K. Galvan, this song describes the classic story of the Irish boy who leaves home seeking a better life. "Off to reap the corn," he first tries his luck as day laborer on a farm. He leaves his hometown of Tuam and next finds himself in Mullingar, where the girls make fun of his clothes. He tries Dublin, but is robbed and is mocked for his "Connacht brogue" accent. Then

on a ship bound for England, he stows in the hold with the pigs. When he arrives in Liverpool, he's mocked again but he fights back with his blackthorn shillelagh stick. Outnumbered by a gang of boys, he's finally rescued by (of course) some Irish boys who "join in the affray." The moral of the story is clear: *Find your people. Only other Irish will help you.* 



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#### COMBINED BOYCHOIRS AND ALUMNI



#### Anthem from Chess

Benny Andersson, Bjorn Ulvaeus, Tim Rice

The musical *Chess*, directed by Trevor Nunn, premiered in London's West End in 1986 and played for three years. A heavily revised version opened on Broadway in 1988 but closed after two months. *Chess* has been staged professionally somewhere in the world annually for its nearly thirty-year history and has a strong following of devotees, drawn to its thrilling plot and long list of pop hits, created by Andersson and Ulvaeus, formerly of ABBA, with lyrics by Andrew Lloyd Webber's frequent collaborator, Tim Rice.

The story of two chess grandmasters in a high profile tournament during the Cold War era, the show was sometimes criticized in the 1990s as outdated, but recent events show lingering tensions in the former Soviet republics, and "Anthem"—which has always remained a popular hit from the show—seems strangely relevant again. The fictional Russian chess player, Anatoly Sergievsky, sings it as the climax of Act One, expressing his conflicting feelings just as he has defected to the West.

When the Madison Boychoir represented the U.S. at the Aberdeen International Festival in 2014, they shared the stage with young musicians from Japan, Israel, Kenya, Ukraine, China, Azerbaijan and others. Suddenly, the idea of "crossing borders" became powerfully real. But it was this soaring melody with its epic lyrics that came to epitomize the sense of identity, pride, and longing for home, that never failed to leave audiences in tears.



# SOUNDS LIKE HOME:

### Music in Diaspora

3:30pm, Sunday, May 8, 2016 Capitol Theater, Overture Center for the Arts



#### **CHORALIERS**

Lisa Kjentvet, conductor Madison Anderson, choir intern Steve Radtke, piano

#### **CON GIOIA**

Marcia Russell, conductor Jingwen Fan, piano

#### **CAPRICCIO**

Lisa Kjentvet, conductor Steve Radtke, piano

#### **CANTILENA**

Marcia Russell, conductor Jingwen Fan, piano

#### **CANTABILE**

Michael Ross, conductor Jess Salek, piano

#### **CHORALIERS**



#### Alhamdoulillah

(sung in Arabic and French)

All Praise be to God!

The full moon rose over us

From the valley of Wada

And it is incumbent upon us to show gratitude

For as long as anyone in existence calls out to Allah

Oh our messenger amongst us

Who comes with the exhortations to be heeded

You have brought to this city nobility

Welcome you who call us to a good way.

Canadian composer Laura Hawley was commissioned to compose this song celebrating Muslim culture for a December 2015 children's choir festival. She based her composition on the ancient Islamic song *Tala' al-Badru 'Alayna*, a traditional Islamic song that was first sung to the Islamic prophet Muhammad upon his arrival at Medina to welcome him after completing the Battle of Tabuk. The song is over 1400 years old and one of the oldest in the Islamic culture. Hawley also wrote new music with French lyrics by Jacques Prévert that further capture the universal expression of gratitude. Although she composed the piece long before the plight of Syrian refugees made headline news, the premier performance was interpreted and hailed as a welcome song to Syrian refugees in Canada.

#### Beidh Aonach Amárach

(sung in Gaelic)

Traditional Arranged by Ruth Dwyer and Beverly Jones

Traditional Middle Eastern

Arranged by Laura Hawley

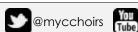
There'll be a fair tomorrow in County Clare. What good is that to me, if I'm not there? Oh Mama, will you let me go alone? My darling, don't demand it.

Beidh Aonach Amárach is often one of the first songs Irish children learn in Gaelic. Social usage of the Irish Gaelic language is declining and recent research forecasts a grim future for its continued use in Ireland. The Irish government has adopted strategies designed to increase the use of Irish among citizens; many have also argued that the Irish diaspora has played an equally important role in the promotion and use of the language.





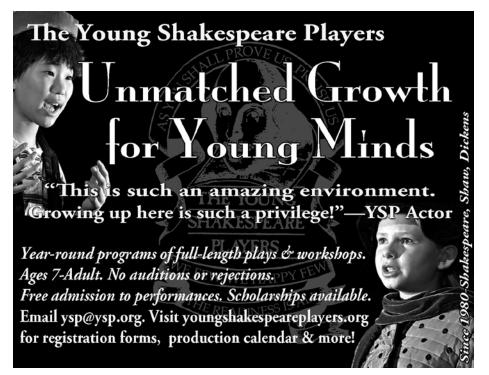
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Ani Ma'amin Traditional Hebrew (sung in Hebrew) Arranged by Paul Caldwell and Sean Ivory Amber Dolphin, violin; Lola Hernandez, narrator

I believe with complete faith in the coming of the Messiah. Though he may tarry, nonetheless, I shall continue to wait every day for his arrival.

Among the most profoundly important pieces from humanity's songbook, *Ani Ma'amin* is a song that gets far too little play outside of the Jewish world. The tune is from Eastern Europe. It may be a few hundred years old; its exact origin is unknown. The song gained its greatest significance, however, during the Holocaust. Hundreds of thousands of Jews sang this song in the gas chambers operated by the Nazis.

The text is based on a medieval formulation of the thirteen basic tenets of the Jewish creed. Jewish tradition holds that the world will become a better place despite all setbacks. This arrangement was completed as a gift to the New Orleans Children's Choir in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina.

#### The Gospel Train

Traditional African-American Arranged by Shirley W. McRae

Andrew Johnson, percussion

The transatlantic slave trade was the defining migration that shaped the African diaspora. African-American spirituals offer a historical record revealing the struggle for freedom and survival. More than simple hymns of endurance and a belief in the afterlife, spirituals allowed slaves to communicate secret messages and the "gospel train" became a code name for the Underground Railroad. When slaves heard this song with its vigorous and captivating melody, they knew that a group was preparing to escape and travel north to freedom.

#### **CHORALIERS AND CON GIOIA**



**Babylon** Traditional

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#### **CON GIOIA**



#### Wild Mountain Thyme

Irish/Scottish folk song Arranged by Jay Broeker

Folk music of any region can inspire thoughts of home, family and stories from the past. This beautiful folk melody is generally attributed to Irish or Scottish sources, and with this performance, Con Gioia gives a nod to the MYC singers travelling to Scotland this summer.

Úpravy lidových písní (from Folksong arrangements,1942)

(sung in Czech)

Gideon Klein (1919–1945) Arranged by Stephen Muir

I.Na tých našich lukách (On our meadows)

II. Chodila liška (Fox walked in a rye field)

III. Poljuško, pole (Little field, wide field)

I. On our meadows I have found a ducat
Who will change it for me, my sweetheart is not at home?
If she won't change it, I'll put it in a dulcimer
The band will play until bright morning.
Until bright morning, when the star rises

And my sweetheart comes to walk me from the tavern.

II. Fox walked into a rye field followed by a hunter. He shot at the fox, killed little Mary, she lies there on the hill. Three roses grew by her, no-one can pick them. One is red, another green, the third blooms white.

III. Little field, the field. Little field, wide field.
Heroes ride across the field, Ay, from the Red Army.
Girls weep, girls are sad today.
My sweetheart left for long, Ay, my sweetheart left with the army.
Look, girls, look at our trail, long trail circle, Ay, happy trail.

Gideon Klein was a Czech pianist and composer who spent the last few years of his life in the Theresienstadt, a concentration camp, during World War II. Klein was able to compose and perform music during his internment, perhaps preserving his own sense of home and culture in the darkest recesses of the world. These three songs, sung in a Czech dialect, provide a glimpse into Klein's 20<sup>th</sup> century compositional harmonic devices. Con Gioia was honored to perform these songs as a part the "Out of the Shadows Festival" at UW-Madison earlier this week, and we give special thanks to Sr. Anita Smisek of Alliance Publications for the pronunciation of the Czech dialect.

Marjan Helms (b. 1951)

The text of this poem is by Emily Dickinson (1830–1886) and has been set by many composers. This particular arrangement features a long piano introduction, followed by the singers singing no text, and a rhythmic struggle between 6/8 meter and 2/4 meter. The music builds until finally the singers are allowed to declaim "Hope is the thing with feathers that perches in my soul…it never stops at all."



#### Thou Shalt Bring Them In

George Frederick Handel (1685–1759)

Thou Shalt Bring Them In is taken from the last part of Israel in Egypt, composed in 1738, three years before composing the Messiah. Israel in Egypt relates the story from the Book of Exodus of the Israelites' escape from bondage in Egypt, the basis of the Jewish festival of Passover. The early portion of the oratorio describes the ten plagues and the Jewish escape. The latter portion rejoices to the Lord for the deliverance out of slavery and looks forward to the return to Canaan or Palestine. This aria, sung by solo voice near the end of the work, anticipates the return to the Promised Land.

#### Mi'kmaq Honour Song

Traditional Mi'kmaq chant Arranged by Lydia Adams

The *Mi'kmaq Honour Song* is an invocation and a chant dedicated to the Creator. The employment of nature sounds and the call of the human voice honors this tradition of the Mi'kmaq people, an indigenous people of Eastern Canada. The chant is not in any particular language, but perhaps a derivation of a text handed down through the ages. The drum represents the heartbeat of Mother Earth and reinforces the unique relationship between humans and nature, promoting love and respect for all living things.

Iraqi Peace Song

(sung in Arabic and English)

Traditional Iraqi song Arranged by Lori Tennenhouse

Eric Miller, cello; Marcy Russell, soloist; Andrew Johnson, percussion

Regards to your eye, oh homeland. Sweetly flows respect and peace. Moreover, how are your hopes, how is the palm tree? How are the decorations, how are the children? (based on a literal translation by Wafa Hadad, Tigerlily Arabic Language Institute)

*Iraqi Peace Song* is a traditional Iraqi song based on a recording produced by Erik Hillstad that contains lullabies from Iran, Iraq, North Korea, Palestine, Syria, Afghanistan and Cuba. According to Hillstad: "Lullabies lead us to the deepest and most fundamental way of communication between human beings. It is where all sharing of ideas and feelings start—between mother and child, between father

and child. It is a universal culture. And it is amazing to see how many aesthetic similarities, musically and lyrically there are in lullabies from country to country all over the world. Differences in scales, language, metaphors and religion cannot cover the fact that in the lullabies, the cultures of the earth meet each other. Or rather, from this common starting-point, they grow into diversity."

#### Bring Me Little Water, Silvy

Huddie William Ledbetter (1888–1949) Arranged by Moira Smiley

Huddie William Ledbetter, better known to the music world as "Lead Belly," wrote some of the most beloved American songs while he performed and wrote in his own folk blues style. He recorded for the Lomax Collections, and became famous with the lefty folk movement of the 1930s and 1940s. This song was said to have been written about his uncle who would often holler to his wife, Silvy, to bring him some water when he was out plowing. This version takes much of its musical choices from Sweet Honey in the Rock's version, with body percussion adapted from choreography of Evie Ladin.

#### **CANTILENA**



Hej Igazítsad

Lajos Bárdos (1899-1986)

(sung in Hungarian)

Get your feet good and ready! You've now been through ten carnivals! Hey, my brothers, this young girl loves my father's son. Hey, my heart has grown sorrowful; be the healing of my heart's sorrow. Hey, I didn't sleep a wink, I danced away the night.

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#### CAPRICCIO, CANTILENA, AND CANTABILE



Across the Water (world premiere) (sung in Scots Gaelic and English)

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Scott Gendel (b. 1977)

Elizabeth Marshall, flute; Steve Morgan, guitar

Commissioned in honor of MYC's upcoming summer 2016 visit to the Aberdeen International Youth Festival in Scotland, this piece combines the haunting The Water is Wide with an upbeat and rhythmic *waulking* song. *Waulking* songs are traditional Gaelic melodies that were sung by women while waulking cloth--rhythmically beating newly woven tweed against a hard surface to soften it. Scott Gendel is a longtime friend of MYC, having previously written music for many MYC ensembles, including for our boychoirs and their 2014 Scotland tour.

**Scott Gendel** is a composer, vocal coach, theatrical music director, and pianist living in Emory, Virginia. Recently, he recorded his piece "At Last" with soprano Camille Zamora and cellist Yo-Yo Ma, as part of "An AIDS Quilt Songbook: Sing For Hope," a recording released on Naxos Records and GPR, benefiting amFAR, the American Foundation for AIDS Research.

As a composer, his music has a wide-ranging scope, but Scott is particularly fond of all things involving the human voice. Recently, Scott's song cycle "I'm Afraid It's You" won second prize in the 2016 NATS Art Song Composition Contest, a national award for composers of art song. In 2005, he was awarded first prize in the ASCAP/Lotte Lehmann Foundation Song Cycle Competition, a juried national award in its inaugural year. That same year, he received his Doctor of Musical Arts degree in Composition from the University of Wisconsin-Madison, with a minor in opera accompanying and vocal coaching. Just after finishing his studies at UW-Madison, Scott served on the faculty for two years, designing and teaching an undergraduate composition curriculum.

Some of Scott's recent commissions include "Seven Princesses and a Bear," a full-length original ballet for children, commissioned by the San Angelo Civic Ballet; "Advice to Those Like Me, With Hearts Like Kindling" for the Carnegie Hall debut of soprano Melody Moore; and "UNEARTHED," a musical in two acts, incorporating Appalachian folk music and operatic style into an American Musical Theatre context, commissioned by the Endstation Theatre Company. Scott's music is published by Classical Vocal Reprints, ECS Publishing, and the Tuba/Euphonium Press. His art songs have been recorded on Albany Records, GPR Records, and Naxos. Scott's composition teachers have included Daron Hagen, Stephen Dembski, and Joan Tower.

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# SOUNDS LIKE HOME:

Music in Diaspora

7:30pm, Sunday, May 8, 2016 Capitol Theater, Overture Center for the Arts



#### **CANTILENA**

Marcia Russell, conductor Jingwen Fan, piano

#### **RAGAZZI**

Michael Ross, conductor Jess Salek, piano

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#### **CANTILENA**



Jai Bhavani (A Sanskrit Prayer) (sung in Sanskrit)

Traditional Sanskrit Arranged by Ethan Sperry

Long live Durga, Mother Earth. Please send happiness and be merciful to all.

Jai Bhavani is a Sanskrit song in praise of Durga, the supreme incarnation of motherhood in the Hindu religion, in this case Mother Earth. The syllables are taken from a rhythmic solfege language used by musicians in India called *sollokattu*.

(Notes from Ethan Sperry)

#### Sometimes I Feel Like A Motherless Child

Traditional Spiritual Arranged by Moses Hogan

The spirituals sung by slaves in the 19<sup>th</sup> century had roots in African folksong and southern American hymns, representing the African diaspora in music. This spiritual's refrain, *Sometimes I feel like a motherless child, a long way from home* may have several meanings. *Home* is heaven, and all mankind struggles on earth, as if stranded and alone. But these words have other interpretations. Many families were broken apart, especially children from their mothers. And home could be taken as meaning the mother's arms in another plantation, or the African homeland itself.

#### Hej Igazítsad!

Lajos Bárdos (1899–1986)

(sung in Hungarian)

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#### **RAGAZZI**



#### Two settings of Psalm 137 Babylon

Traditional

By the waters of Babylon, We lay down and wept for thee, Zion. We remember thee, Zion.

#### An Wasserflüssen Babylon

Michael Praetorius (1571–1621)

(sung in German)

At the rivers of Babylon, we sat down in pain Even when we thought of Zion, we wept with our hearts. We hung our heads with heavy courage. The harp and the organ on the tree of the willows inside their land There with much disgrace and shame, we suffer by them daily. (from Psalm 137)

The Babylonian captivity, one of the defining events in Jewish history, one of history's first diasporas. After the fall of Jerusalem and the destruction of the First Temple, some of the inhabitants of Jerusalem were taken into exile. The strong feelings of loss, of longing, of faith tested, set in Psalm 137, have held interest for many composers. Here we contrast two settings: Don McLean's version from *American Pie* (itself based on a 1786 setting of the same text) and the 16<sup>th</sup> century setting of the then well-known hymn tune, which Praetorius weaves throughout his composition.

**Už mně koně vyvádějí** (from *Folksong Arrangements*) Gideon Klein (1919–1945) (sung in Czech)

They are taking out my horse, they are putting a saddle on him, and the cornet player is playing.

Don't saddle up my horse, stop blowing the cornet, I have to say farewell. First of all to my mother who raised me,

and second to my sweetheart who loved me, thank you.

Thank you, mother, for raising me.

Thank you, sweetheart, for your love.

Gideon Klein was a Czech composer, conductor, and pianist who spent the last years of his life interned in the Theresienstadt concentration camp. His decision to set this particular folk song to music was his silent protest against the Nazis; the text is a direct reference to the end of life.

Son de Camaguey (sung in Spanish)

Traditional Cuban folk song Arranged by Stephen Hatfield (b .1952)

Ian Disjardin, percussion

This is a beautiful thing, a wild coast, Camaguey, how beautiful. Rhythm (sound) of Camaguey, this beautiful thing, these traditions, how beautiful they are.

Canadian composer Stephen Hatfield weaves melodic and rhythmic snippets from a traditional Cuban folk song throughout his arrangement.

**Loch Lomond** 

Traditional Scottish air Arranged by Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872–1958) 222, soloists

This well-known Scottish song references the famous loch which lies about 14 miles from Glasgow. The origins of the song are unclear: one popular theory attributes the song to a Jacobite highlander captured by the English in 1745 and refers to the English torture of choosing one to live ("the high road") and one to die ("the low road"). Others theorize that the song is sung by a lover of a captured Scottish rebel set to be executed; the heads of those executed were set on pikes on the main road between London and Glasgow ("the high road") while the relatives of those killed returned home from the execution on the lesser roads ("the low road"). Regardless of its origin, this song holds a special place in the hearts of Ragazzi singers, especially those that visited Scotland in the summer of 2014.

#### **CANTABILE**



Alarcón Madrigals
I. In a Neighborhood in Los Angeles

Roger Bourland (b. 1952) Text by Francisco X. Alarcón (1954–2016)

This is the first movement from a set of five short pieces, all with text by famous Mexican poet Francisco X. Alarcón, and all deceptively complex musical settings. Here, the poet and composer paint a picture of a young boy's collage of memories of his grandmother.

Riawanna

Stephen Leek (b. 1959)

The title of this piece is taken from a Pallahwah (Tasmanian Aboriginal people) word which means circles. The score consists of many individual sections—some only one measure long—that are meant to be combined in some type of circular pattern. Cantabile worked collaboratively over several weeks to decide on the final arrangement for this performance.

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#### CANTABILE AND RAGAZZI



O, What a Beautiful City

Traditional African-American spiritual Arranged by Shawn Kirchner (b. 1970)

A well-known African-American spiritual, popularized by Pete Seeger and Joan Baez, takes its text from the book of Revelations. Shawn Kirchner is a Los Angeles-based composer and arranger.

#### **Strange Fruit**

Abel Meeropol writing as Lewis Allen (1903–1986)

Although we aren't performing an arrangement of the piece tonight, the singers of Cantabile felt strongly that they wanted to include this program note for *Strange Fruit*. Early in our semester, we listened to the piece, looked at an arrangement and had incredibly thoughtful and poignant discussions about whether or not to perform the song at this concert.

Ultimately, we decided not to; Cantabile singers felt strongly that they wanted to honor the importance of this song and did not want an audience to feel like they were guilty of an insensitive cultural appropriation. But, in a semester centered on the concept of diaspora, we could not forget the influential African diaspora, and so in addition to our study of *Strange Fruit*, we also spent rehearsal time learning about the 12-bar blues, listening to important jazz vocalists, and learning about critical jazz recordings.

#### **About Strange Fruit**

Noted by Time magazine in 1999 as the "song of the century" *Strange Fruit* depicts the aftermath of a lynching in agonizing detail. Meeropol (writing under pen name Lewis Allen), wrote this song in response to seeing Lawrence Beitler's famous photograph of the lynching of Thomas Shipp and Abram Smith. After publishing the poem in 1937, he set the text to music himself. It was Barney Josephson, the owner of the Café Society in Greenwich Village (New York's first integrated nightclub) who first heard the song and introduced it to Billie Holiday.

The song became a major hit for Holiday, despite her major record label's unwillingness to record the song. Of its chilling lyrics, Holiday famously noted "The first time I sang it, I thought it was a mistake. There wasn't even a patter of applause when I finished. Then a lone person began to clap nervously. Then suddenly everyone was clapping and cheering."

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#### **OUR GRADUATING SENIORS**



**Mitchell Ace** (2 years) plans to take a year off and join the Peace Corps or American volunteer program. His favorite MYC memories include singing with the visiting Austrian choir last year, meeting great people, and singing The Waking.

**Catherine Bayouth** (2 years) will attend college and plans to become a child psychiatric nurse, as well as doing activist work to raise mental health awareness. Her favorite memory was definitely the MSO Christmas concert in Overture Hall.

**Sallie Bestul** (5.5 years) plans to study international relations in college. Her favorite MYC memories are of the opportunities she's had to sing in Overture Hall, especially the MSO Christmas concerts.

**Abi Bethke** (1 year) rem es etum as rate peligen tionse volest et quo cusae porpos ma nonseque que et aliande bitibustrum qui del im sequis sum hil iust qui nim quiate sedit reperuptus mi, quam reperum que sitiisquam ressum apite seque voloreperum.

**Jena Bliss** (4 years) remembers singing with the Jitro choir from the Czech Republic. She will attend Lawrence University to study voice and music education.

**Scott Boland** (2 years) em es etum as rate peligen tionse volest et quo cusae porpos ma nonseque que et aliande bitibustrum qui del im sequis sum hil iust qui nim quiate.

**Nora Cahill** (6 years) will study abroad in Germany next year before beginning college. One of her favorite MYC memories is singing with the Intergenerational Choir this season.

**Isabel Coff** (2 years) will attend UW-Madison this fall to study physics and possibly theater production or music. She remembers finding the hidden doll in the Overture Hall organ before the MSO Christmas concert last year.

**Ellie Erb** (4 years) remembers the sense of granduer and connectedness that accompanied singing "Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing." She will attend Wellesley College and plans to study astrobiology.

**Elizabeth Everitt** (8.5 years) eem es etum as rate peligen tionse volest et quo cusae porpos ma nonseque que et aliande bitibustrum qui del im sequis sum hil iust qui nim quiate sedit reperuptus mi, quam reperum que sitiisquam ressum apite seque voloreperum. Dolendi cimagnis veratet veriton ea nostias asitiusci.

**Kailey Gering** (2 years) em es etum as rate peligen tionse volest et quo cusae porpos ma nonseque que et aliande bitibustrum qui del im sequis sum hil iust qui nim quiate sedit reperuptus mi, quam reperum que sitiisquam ressum apite seque voloreperum.

**Holly Graser** (3 years) will attend Madison College this fall, looking to continue her studies at UW-Madison or UW-Stevens Point to focus on science or social sciences. Her favorite MYC moment: "When we stumble through a piece for the first time and we get our first taste of the music that we're going to make together."

**Benjamin Hembel** (7 years) em es etum as rate peligen tionse volest et quo cusae porpos ma nonseque que et aliande bitibustrum qui del im sequis sum hil iust qui nim quiate sedit reperuptus mi, quam reperum que sitiisquam ressum apite seque.

**Taylor Jacobson** (1 year) will study Psychology at the University of South Florida at Tampa. She fondly remembers singing "Forever Young" with the MYC Intergenerational choir.

**Barrett Karstens** (10 years) em es etum as rate peligen tionse volest et quo cusae porpos ma nonseque que et aliande bitibustrum qui del im sequis sum hil iust qui nim quiate sedit reperuptus mi, quam reperum que sitiisquam ressum apite seque voloreperum. Dolendi cimagnis veratet veriton ea nostias asitiusci.

**Michael Kjentvet** (6.5 years) will attend UW-Madison. His favorite MYC memories include the Scotland trip (especially visiting and singing in Dunnottar castle) and every opportunity he had to sing in Overture Hall with the MSO.

**Nathaniel Langlie** (9.5 years) remembers singing in the Madison Opera production of Carmen. He will attend Northern Michigan University to study sports science.

**Ashley McGaw** (5 years) will attend Winona State in Minnesota to pursue a nursing degree. Her favorite MYC memory is performing *To Be Certain of the Dawn* with Capriccio at Overture Center.

**Sydney Michael** (1.5 years) will attend the University of Minnesota this fall. She was especially moved by singing for elementary students on MYC's outreach tours.

**Chloe Orr** (3 years) em es etum as rate peligen tionse volest et quo cusae porpos ma nonseque que et aliande bitibustrum qui del im sequis sum hil iust qui nim quiate sedit reperuptus mi, quam reperum que sitiisquam ressum apite seque voloreperum.

**Gwen Paker** (2 years) em es etum as rate peligen tionse volest et quo cusae porpos ma nonseque que et aliande bitibustrum qui del im sequis sum hil iust qui nim quiate.

**Lili Pierce** (5 years) will attend UW-Platteville to study early childhood education. She remembers the "good feelings" box that Lisa Shimon used during Cantilena rehearsals.

**Julia Russell** (3 years) has really enjoyed singing with so many other talented musicians and with such varied other organizations. She'll attend Colorado College to study environmental science.

**Kaela Schudda** (3 years) em es etum as rate peligen tionse volest et quo cusae porpos ma nonseque que et aliande bitibustrum qui del im sequis sum hil iust qui nim quiate sedit reperuptus mi, quam reperum que sitiisquam ressum apite seque voloreperum.

**William Sobol** (9.5 years) em es etum as rate peligen tionse volest et quo cusae porpos ma nonseque que et aliande bitibustrum qui del im sequis sum hil iust qui nim quiate sedit reperuptus mI.

**James Tautges** (4.5 years)'s favorite MYC memory is standing in a cold, rainy alley in Stonehaven, Scotland, waiting to go on and sing, surrounded by some of his best friends. This fall he will attend the University of Edinburgh (Scotland) to study math and computer science.

**Grace Welton** (6.5 years) will always remember singing *To Be Certain of the Dawn* on the Overture Stage. She will attend St. Olaf college this fall.

**Anna Welton-Arndt** (10 years) will attend Cornell University this fall to study chemical engineering or materials science and plans to minor in music. Her favorite MYC memories include school tours, the MSO Christmas concerts, performing for the Dalai Lama, and many more!

**Eli Wilson** (8 years) will attend Luther College next year (and of course continue with cross-country and track). His favorite MYC memory is singing *Anthem* in Aberdeen, Scotland.

**Hannah Wollack** (5.5 years) will attend Luther College to study choral music education. Her favorite MYC memory is singing *To Be Certain of the Dawn*with the Wartburg College choir.

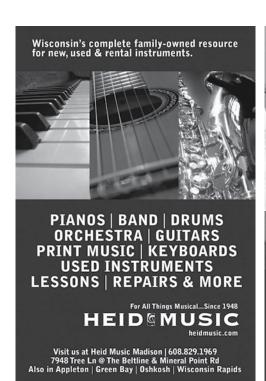
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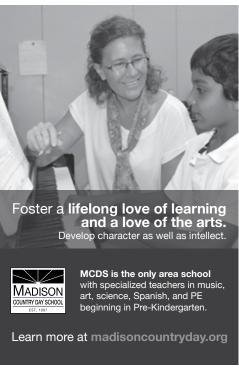
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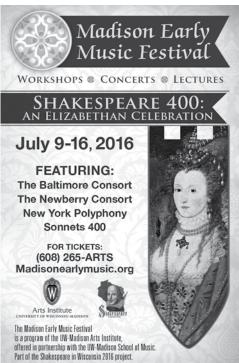




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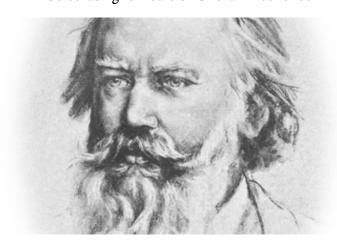
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