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## “MASTERY”

**UNIVERSITY SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA**, Dr. R. Mueller, conductor

**THE ARKANSAS MASTER CHORALE**, Dr. J. Murdock, cond.

**THE UA COLLEGIATE CHORALE**, Dr. S. Caldwell, cond.

**THE INSPIRATIONAL CHORALE**, Dr. J. Murdock, cond.

7:30pm, Monday, April 29th, 2024

Jim & Joyce Faulkner Performing Arts Center

University of Arkansas

## PROGRAM

### **Concerto for Tuba and Orchestra**

Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

Prelude: Allegro moderato

Romanza: Andante sostenuto

Finale-Rondo alla tedesca: Allegro

Henry Sargent, tuba

### **Ethiopa's Shadow in America**

Florence Price (1887-1953)

III. Adaptation

# Concerto for Tuba and Orchestra

Leonard Bernstein (1918-1990)

Psalm 108, vs. 2; Psalm 100, entire

Psalm 23, entire; Psalm 2, vs. 1-4

Psalm 131, entire; Psalm 133, vs.1

Sena Burrow, child soprano

Samantha Stinson, soprano

Carla Summers, mezzo-soprano

Jeffrey Allen Murdock, tenor

Jonathan Stinson, baritone

## PROGRAM NOTES

**Concerto in F Minor for Tuba and Orchestra.** British composer Ralph Vaughan Williams wrote the tuba concerto in 1954 for London tubist, Philip Catelinet, who premiered it in June of 1954 with Sir John Barbirolli conducting the London Symphony Orchestra. Though initially considered an eccentric oddity by a composer in his 80s, the work soon became one of the composer's most highly regarded works and has become the cornerstone of the modern tubist's repertoire.

Tubist Henry Sargent, the performer of this evening's performance, is a graduate student in tuba performance at the University of Arkansas, studying with Dr. Ben Pierce. He was the winner of the 2024 Concerto-Aria contest.

**Ethiopa's Shadow in America.** Written by American composer Florence Price in 1932, *Ethiopa's Shadow in America* is a three-movement orchestral work depicting the African American experience in America, from the arrival of the first slaves in 1619 through the turbulent Jim Crow era and into the 1930s. She entitled the three movements: I. Introduction and Allegretto: The Arrival of the Negro in America when first brought here as a slave; II. Andante: His Resignation and Faith; III. Allegro: His Adaptation. Though trained at the New England Conservatory in a traditional European style, her mentors George Chadwick in Boston and later the Chicago composer Leo Sowerby encouraged her to incorporate the rhythms, melodies and harmonic structure of the Negro Spiritual into her output. The music to this work was lost for many decades, only to be rediscovered in 2009 in the attic of a small house just outside of St. Anne, Illinois. The house had been bought by Ms. Price and used as a summer home until her death in 1953.

**Chichester Psalms.** Leonard Bernstein composed the *Chichester Psalms* in 1965, after being commissioned by a music festival to be held at the Cathedral of Chichester, in Sussex, England. The world premiere actually took place on July 15, 1965, in Philharmonic Hall, N.Y., with the composer conducting the New York

## Text of the Psalms

### I

#### Ps. 108, vs. 2

Awake, psaltery and harp: I will rouse the dawn!

#### Ps. 100, entire

Make a joyful noise unto the Lord all ye lands. Serve the Lord with gladness. Come before His presence with singing. Know ye that the Lord is God. It is He that has made us, and not we ourselves. We are His people and the sheep of His pasture. Enter into His gates with thanksgiving, and into His courts with praise. Be thankful unto Him and bless His name. For the Lord is good, His mercy is everlasting. And His truth endures to all generations.

### II

#### Ps. 23, entire

The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want. He makes me lie down in green pastures, He leads me beside the still waters, He restores my soul, He leads me in the path of righteousness, for His name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for You are with me, Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies, You anoint my head with oil, my cup runs over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

#### Ps. 2, 1-4

Why do the nations rage, and the people imagine a vain thing? The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together against the Lord and against His anointed. Saying, Let us break their bonds asunder, and cast away their cords from us. He who sits in the heavens shall laugh, and the Lord shall have them in derision.

### III

#### Ps. 131, entire

Lord, Lord, my heart is not haughty, nor my eyes lofty, neither do I exercise myself in great matters or in things too wonderful for me. Surely I have calmed and quieted myself, as a child weaned of his mother. My soul is even as a weaned child. Let Israel hope in the Lord from henceforth and forever.

#### Ps. 133, vs. 1

Behold, how good and pleasant it is, for all to dwell together in unity!

# PERSONNEL

## MASTER CHORALE

### SOPRANO

Shana Kasperek  
Donna Rollene  
Emily Thames  
Samantha Stinson  
Alexandra Rouw  
Ariel Barton

### ALTO

Ethel Simpson  
Katherine Murdock  
Margo Leavitt  
Mallory Yeary  
Grace Lindquist  
Melinda Williams  
Laura Gehrke  
Patricia Gross  
Linda McMath  
Elizabeth Dewarr  
Angela M. LaPorte  
Carla Summers

### TENOR

Robbie Baker  
David Franks  
Erick Amaya  
Jodie Arrington-Franklin  
Malcolm Hayward  
Liz Lester  
Donald Thames  
Annette Lewis

### BASS

Jonathan Stinson  
Carson Leavitt  
Danny Reding  
Michael Stoker  
Jeffrey Allen Murdock

## COLLEGIATE CHORALE

### SOPRANO

Rachael Breitenstein  
Channing Burton  
Emily Cross  
Gabriela Gomez  
Anna Hoang  
Rebekah Holland  
Shay Mac  
Abby McDonald  
Anna Morrison  
Thi Nguyen  
Samantha Petch  
Abbie Petersen  
Jazlin Redding

### ALTO

Kenna Couch  
Sonja Burnett  
Aurora Campbell  
Haley Evans  
Tori Fernandez  
Zane Liu  
Erin Nelson  
Annabelle Ridlon  
Frankie Riggs  
Samantha Sanders  
Rowan Shivers  
Olive Shuffield  
Megan Snively  
Day Stoker  
Lucie Taylor  
Jayita Ujjaini  
Sheyla Valtierra  
Olivia Wilson

### TENOR

Ryan Davis  
Seth Huteson  
Noah Linkin  
Mason Mabry  
Nick Mabry  
Tyler Phillips  
Nick Watkins

### BASS

Greg Aliano  
D'Shawn Brown  
Jesse Coppick  
Brayden Hartwig  
Alex Hoang  
Nathan Leder  
Oliver Owings  
Landon Robinson  
Nathan Steinmuller  
Ezra Taylor  
Mateo West

# INSPIRATIONAL CHORALE

## SOPRANO

Ana Sofia Victoria  
Moreno  
Avery Hamlin  
Gaëtane Ternier  
Jess Hicks  
Lacie Golden  
Lauren Robinson  
Leyton Robinson  
Malie Faulkner  
Miah Anchondo  
Naomi Tchoungang  
Rachel Willett  
Sadie Hilton  
Starling Ledbetter  
Zoie Benton  
Molly Self

## ALTO

Alayna Brown  
Adelynn Franklin  
Bailey Griggs  
Beatrice Nkunga  
Bianca Euler  
Brooklynn Smith  
Campbell Leiterman  
Deborah George  
Emma Berry  
Emma Hoskins  
Haven Jackson  
Kalista Brown  
Laci Sauer  
Lauren Ramsey  
Maci Edwards  
McKayla Lemon  
Nicole Dixon  
Sadie Hilton  
Savannah Davis

## TENOR

Ashton Byrd  
Braden Sanford  
Brennan Wilkins  
Connor Clayton  
Connor Gustafson  
Damian Wilson  
Drew Pirtle  
Jeffrey Kerst  
Justin Gillette  
Kevin Willis  
Kyle Telgemeier  
Markell Cox  
Nathan Edwards  
Nicholas Mabry  
Nicholas Tidwell  
Nolan Bryant  
Tayvyn Putman  
Thomas Cicatiello  
Toni Hardin

## BASS

Ashton Laurent  
Caleb Fields  
Cole Birmingham  
David Gilzene  
Dominique Butcher  
D'Shawn Brown  
Edwin Soto  
Evan Goforth  
Gawain Engholm  
Goel Mukota  
Jackson Cawthon  
Joe Broome  
John Akins  
Nicholas Watkins  
Samuel Messick  
Samuel Wilson  
Titus Sutterfield

# USO

## FLUTE

Abbigail Short  
Namrata Anand+  
Sierra Hoaglund\*  
Alton Holscher

## OBOE

Wesley Becherer+\*  
Madeleine Amox  
Hannah Myers

## TRUMPET

Joseph McGee+\*  
Sophie Jaquez

## TIMPANI

Yoshio Yamashita

## CLARINET

Samantha Ellis+\*  
Abigail Tanner

## BASSOON

Madison Gorny+\*  
Nathan Fuhrman

## HORN

Drew Schulz\*  
Macy James  
Lauren Zygmont  
Hudson Martin+

## BASS

Freeman Boatright  
Gabriella Gomez  
Jackson Messenger  
Jack Minnick+\*  
Marco Wimer

+ (Pr. On Price and Bernstein)

\* (Pr. On Vaughan Williams)

## VIOLIN

Isabella Adams  
Landon Barker  
Sebastian Cabrera  
Soumya Chauhan  
Merritt Denton I+  
Isabella Divino  
Morgan Giese  
Chloe Harder  
Stella Hartmann  
Gus Kerby II\*  
Maria McAdamis  
Juan Ramos  
Lucy Mae Rousseau  
Ethan Sexuaer  
Brett Shock  
Dayton Strick II+,I\*  
Lauren Weeks

## VIOLA

Spring Berryhill  
Ryan Davis  
Angel Duron  
Kancana Kathiravan+  
Ashton Laurent\*  
Gisell Maldonado

## VIOLONCELLO

Lorena Aguire  
Garrett Beard  
Riley Borchhardt  
Austin Dolan  
Mikayla Foster  
Dylan Franklin  
Quincy Hartman  
Jonathan Lea\*  
Hayden Melchiori  
Arshiya Neupane  
Nicole Patrao  
Beau Shock+  
Shawn Sproles

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