

bennington college music presents

Michael Buhl, baritone

with
Marianne Finckel, piano



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and
Angela Blemker, violin • Elyzabeth Gaumer, violin
Kathy Andrews, viola • Clancy Newman, cello

special appearance by actor, James Cairl

monday, may 20, 1996 • 8:00pm • deane carriage barn • bennington college

program

Robert Schumann

(1810 - 1856)

SELECTIONS FROM DICHTERLIEBE
I. Im wunder schönen Monat Mai
II. Aus meinen Tränen spriessen
III. Die Rose, die Lilie, die Taube

Charles Ives

(1874 - 1954)

Memories {A. Very Pleasant • B. Rather Sad}
The Children's Hour
The Circus Band
James Cairl, the Tramp

- INTERVAL -

Samuel Barber

(1910 - 1981)

Dover Beach

Angela Blemker, violin
Elyzabeth Gaumer, violin
Kathy Andrews, viola
Clancy Newman, cello

Aaron Copland

(1900 - 1990)

I Bought Me A Cat
Long Time Ago
Zion's Walls

A RECEPTION WILL FOLLOW THE CONCERT

DICHTERLIEBE

I. Im wunderschönen Monat Mai,
Als alle Knospen sprangen,
Da ist in meinem Herzen
Die Liebe aufgegangen.
Im wunderschönen Monat Mai,
Als alle Vögel sangen,
Da hab'ich ihr gestanden
Mein Sehnen und Verlangen.

II. Aus meinen Tränen sprissen
Viel blühende Blumen hervor,
Und meine Seufzer werden
Ein Nachtigallenchor.
Und wenn du mich lieb hast, Kindchen,
Schenk' ich dir die Blumen all',
Und vor deinem Fenster soll klingen
Das Lied der Nachtigall.

III. Die Rose, die Lilie, die Taube, die Sonne,
Die lieb' ich einst alle in Liebeswonnen.
Ich lieb' sie nicht mehr, ich liebe alleine
Die Kleine, die Feine, die Reine, die Eine.
Sie selber, aller Liebe Wonne,
Ist Rose und Lilie und Taube und Sonne,
Ich liebe alleine die Kleine,
Die Feine, die Reine, die Eine, die Eine.

POET'S LOVE

I. In the wondrously beautiful month of May,
When all the buds burst open,
Then in my heart
Love unfolded too.
In the wondrously beautiful month of May,
When all the birds sang,
Then I confessed to her
My longing and my desire.

II. Out of my tears go forth
Many flowers in bloom.
And my sighs become
A choir of nightingales.
And if you are fond of me, little one,
I will give you all the flowers,
And before your window shall ring
The song of the nightingale.

III. The rose, the lily, the dove, the sun,
I loved them once all with the rapture of love.
I love them no more, I love alone
The little one, the fine, the pure, the only one.
She herself, the well of all love
Is rose and lily and dove and sun,
I love alone the little one,
The fine, the pure, the only one!

DOVER BEACH

The sea is calm tonight,
The tide is full, the moon lies fair
Upon the straits; on the French coast the light
Gleams and is gone; the cliffs of England stand,
Glimm'ring and vast, out in the tranquil bay.
Come to the window, sweet is the night-air!
Only, from the long line of spray
Where the sea meets the moon-blanch'd land,
Listen! you hear the grating roar
Of pebbles which the waves draw back, and fling,
At their return, up the high strand,
Begin, and cease, and then again begin,
With tremulous cadence slow, and bring
The eternal note of sadness in.

Sophocles long ago
Heard it on the Aegean, and it brought
Into his mind the turbid ebb and flow
Of human misery; we
Find also in the sound a thought,
Hearing it by this distant northern sea.

The sea of faith
Was once, too, at the full, and round earth's shore
Lay like the folds of a bright girdle furled.
But now I only hear
Its melancholy, long, withdrawing roar,
Retreating to the breath
Of the night-wind, down the vast edges drear
And naked shingles of the world.

Ah, love, let us be true
To one another! for the world, which seems
To lie before us like a land of dreams,
So various, so beautiful, so new,
Hath really neither joy, nor love, nor light,
Nor certitude, nor peace, nor help for pain;
And we are here as on a darkling plain
Swept with confused alarms of struggle and flight,
Where ignorant armies clash by night.

- Matthew Arnold

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