

Music at Bennington presents...

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Violin/Piano Duo

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Luminaria (2002)
(originally for violin and harp)

Kenji Bunch

Sonata in a minor, Op. 105
Mit leidenschaftlichem Ausdruck
Allegretto
Lebhaft

Robert Schumann
(1810-1856)

Pause

Theme and Variations
from *Movements for Violin and Piano* (1979)

Allen Shawn

Sonata in G Major, Op. 78
Vivace ma non troppo
Adagio
Allegro molto moderato

Johannes Brahms
(1833-1897)

Tessa Petersen, violinist, was born in New Zealand. Following her graduation from the University of Otago in Dunedin, she studied with Levon Chilingirian at the Royal College of Music in London and played in many of London's leading chamber orchestras. Since moving to America in 1993, she has been active as an orchestral player, chamber player, concertmaster and soloist in New York and throughout New England.

John Van Buskirk is a well-known versatile pianist with a special interest in Classical and early Romantic performance. He is a noted player of the fortepiano, as well, and has several recordings on that instrument. Van Buskirk is a graduate of the Eastman School of Music and The Juilliard School. He is the keyboard player for the Mostly Mozart Festival Orchestra and has toured nationally and internationally as a recitalist, chamber music player, and recital partner to singers and instrumentalists. He currently teaches at Bennington College.

La Belle Alliance, a husband and wife duo, is celebrating its tenth anniversary this year!