Enchanted Circle presents

Callithumpian Consort &
[nec]shivaree

Stephen Drury, artistic director

Thursday, September 29, 2022
7:30 p.m.
NEC’s Jordan Hall
PROGRAM

This concert is dedicated to the memory of Carol Woodworth.

Lou Harrison
(1917–2003)  Six Sonatas

Moderato
Allegro
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Yukiko Takagi, piano

John Cage

Lilit Hartunian, Caroline Jesalva, violin
Julian Sneige-Seney, viola
Stephen Marotto, cello

Earl Kim

Listen to it rain
from Drunken Boat
It’s raining
Ophelia
The Farewell
The Departure
The girl with orange lips

Lucy Fitz Gibbon, soprano
Maria Rindenello-Spraker, harp
Lilit Hartunian, Caroline Jesalva,
    Jordan Hadrill, Natalie Boberg, violin
Julian Sneige-Seney, Asher Boorstin, viola
Stephen Marotto, Jeffrey Ho, cello
[nec]shivaree, the NEC Avant-Garde Ensemble directed by Stephen Drury, is the attack wing of NEC’s new music program, performing the modern, the new, and the avant-garde. Sounds are provided by such composers as John Cage, Steve Reich, Morton Feldman, George Crumb, Galina Ustvolskaya, and Giacinto Scelsi. The players of [nec]shivaree have worked with composers John Zorn, John Luther Adams, Christian Wolff, and Frederic Rzewski. The group gives concerts both inside and outside of the Conservatory, and has performed regularly at the Zeitgeist Gallery in Cambridge and Tonic and The Stone in New York.

**Upcoming Callithumpian & [nec]shivaree Concerts**

Callithumpian Consort: Monday, October 3, 2022 at 8:00 p.m., Brown Hall

[nec]shivaree: Tuesday, November 1, 2022 at 8:00 p.m., Williams Hall

Kim  Where Grief Slumbers

Apollinaire’s poem, It’s raining, in which the words form delicate chains of raindrops, and a verse from Rimbaud’s, Le bateau ivre, translated by Beckett—"I have dreamt the green nights drifts of dazzled snow"—were the two initial sources of inspiration which resulted in the song cycle Where Grief Slumbers. Images of rain, snow, sea, and the calm black waters of the river that cradles Ophelia are coupled with reflections on departure and farewells.

— Earl Kim

Noted for her “dazzling, virtuoso singing” (*Boston Globe*), soprano **Lucy Fitz Gibbon** is a dynamic musician whose repertoire spans the Renaissance to the present. She believes that creating new works and recreating those lost in centuries past makes room for the multiplicity and diversity of voices integral to classical music’s future. As such, Ms. Fitz Gibbon has given U.S. premieres of rediscovered works by Baroque composers Francesco Sacrati, Barbara Strozzi, and Agostino Agazzari, as well by 20th century composers including Tadeusz Kassern, Roman Palester, and Jean Barraqué. She has also worked closely with numerous others, workshopping and premiering works by a wide range of composers including John Harbison, Kate Soper, Sheila Silver, David Hertzberg, Reena Esmail, Roberto Sierra, Anna Lindemann, and Pauline Oliveros. In helping to realize the complexities of music beyond written notes, the experience of working with these composers translates to all music: the commitment to faithfully communicate not only the score, but also the underlying intentions of its creator.
Listen to it rain
Guillaume Apollinaire, from Cotton in Your Ears

Listen to it rain listen to it rain

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from Drunken Boat
Arthur Rimbaud

I have seen the low sun stained with mystic signs.
Lighting with far flung violet arms,
Like actors in an ancient tragedy,
The fluted waters shivering far away.
I have dreamt the green night’s drifts of dazzled snow,
The slow climb of kisses to the eyes of the seas,
The circulation of unheard of saps,
And the yellow-blue alarum of phosphors singing.


*It’s raining*
Guillaume Apollinaire, from *Calligrammes*

it’s raining women’s voices as if they were dead even in memory
it’s raining you too marvelous encounters of my life oh tiny droplets
and those clouds rear and begin to whinny a universe of auricular cities
listen if it rains while regret and disdain weep to an ancient music
listen to the fetters falling that bind you high and low

*Ophelia*
Arthur Rimbaud

On the calm black water where the stars sleep
White Ophelia floats like a great lily;
Floats very slowly, lying in her long veils...

For more than a thousand years sad Ophelia
Has passed, a white phantom, down the long black river.
For more than a thousand years her sweet madness
Has murmured its romance to the evening breeze.

The wind kisses her breasts and unfolds in a wreath
Her great veils softly cradled by the waters;
The trembling willows weep on her shoulder,
Over her wide dreaming brow the reeds bend down.

O Pale Ophelia! beautiful as snow!
Yes, child, you died, carried off by a river!
— Oh poor mad girl!
You melted to him as snow to fire;
Your grand visions strangled your words
— And fearful Infinity terrified your blue eyes!
— And the poet says that under the light of the stars
You come looking at night for the flowers that you picked,
And that he saw on the water, lying in her long veils,
White Ophelia floating, like a great lily.
The Farewell
Guillaume Apollinaire, from Alcools

I picked this spray of Heather
Autumn is dead remember
Never more on earth we two together
Odor of time spray of heather
Remember I wait for you

The Departure
Guillaume Apollinaire, from The Starry Head

And their faces grew pale
And their sobs were broken

Like snow on pure petals
Or your hands on my kisses
Fell the autumn leaves

The girl with orange lips
Arthur Rimbaud, from Illuminations: Childhood

At the edge of the forest —
dream flowers tinkle,
flash, flare —
The girl with orange lips,
knees crossed in the clear flood
that gushes from the fields,
nakedness shaded, traversed,
and clothed by rainbow, flora, sea.
Upcoming Concerts at NEC
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FIRST MONDAY IN JORDAN HALL, Laurence Lesser, artistic director
All-French program: Marais Sonnerie de Sainte-Geneviève du Mont de Paris; Couperin L’Apotéose de Lully; Debussy Les Trois Sonates
Monday, October 3, 2022 at 7:30 p.m., Jordan Hall

FACULTY RECITAL: MENG-CHIEH LIU, piano
Chopin Three Nocturnes; Rachmaninoff Variations on a Theme by Chopin, op. 22; Janáček Sonata :1.X.1905; Granados El amor y la muerte: Balada; Liszt Après une lecture du Dante, (Fantasia quasi Sonata), Deuxième année: Italie
Tuesday, October 4, 2022 at 7:30 p.m., Jordan Hall

NEC WIND ENSEMBLE, Charles Peltz, conductor: “20th Century Giants”
Strauss Serenade in E-flat Major, op. 7; Brant Ghosts and Gargoyles; Hindemith Konzertmusik, op. 41; Varèse Intégrales; Debussy L’Isle Joyeuse
Thursday, October 6, 2022 at 7:30 p.m., Jordan Hall

NEC CHAMBER ORCHESTRA, Donald Palma, artistic director
Grieg Holberg Suite, op. 40; Clyne Stride; Dvořák Serenade for Strings in E Major, op. 22
Wednesday, October 12, 2022 at 7:30 p.m., Jordan Hall

FACULTY RECITAL: MARYANN MCCORMICK, mezzo-soprano & JJ PENNA, piano
Liederabend: Wolf Selections from the Mörike Lieder; Chausson Chanson Perpetuelle; Argento From the Diary of Virginia Woolf
Thursday, October 13, 2022 at 7:30 p.m., Jordan Hall

NEC SYMPHONIC WINDS, William Drury, conductor
Huling Into the Forest of Strange Beasts; Blake Sinfonia for 10 Brass Instruments; Holst Suite in E-flat; Rimsky-Korsakov Capriccio Espagnol; Van Heusen Like Someone in Love, Jason Palmer, trumpet
Tuesday, October 18, 2022 at 7:30 p.m., Jordan Hall

TUESDAY NIGHT NEW MUSIC
New music by NEC student composers, performed by their peers
Tuesday, October 18, 2022 at 8:00 p.m., Williams Hall

LIEDERABEND LXI
Wednesday, October 19, 2022 at 6:00 p.m., Williams Hall
Tonight’s concert is presented as a continuation of the Callithumpian Consort’s Summer Institute for Contemporary Performance Practice, with the friendly support of ernst von siemens music foundation.

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