## NEC's Department of Jazz Studies presents

## Theo Bleckmann

Guest Artist-in-Residence

Wednesday, October 30, 2024 8:00 p.m. Burnes Hall

## **PROGRAM**

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**Traditional Hymn** 

In the Mornin'

arr. Charles Ives, arr. Nate Wood

Sylvester

Mighty Real

arr. Theo Bleckmann

Theo Bleckmann

text by Rumi

Orchard

Theo Bleckmann

Waves

John Lennon/Paul McCartney

arr. Theo Bleckmann

You Got to Hide Your Love Away

Theo Bleckmann, voice Sonia Ouyang, Aviana Gedler, Rania Toli,

Farrell Smith, voice Peter Vazquez, piano Itay Goldstein, bass Victor Giraldez, drums Charles Ives

text by John Keats

arr. Theo Bleckmann

Like a Sick Eagle

**Charles Ives** 

arr. Theo Bleckmann

Serenity

The New River (1921)

Theo Bleckmann, Priest Monsei

To What Shall I Compare This Life

Charles Ives

Waltz (1895)

Theo Bleckmann

Wither

Theo Bleckmann, voice Sammy Davies, trumpet Gabriel Nieves, tenor saxophone Domas Zeromskas, piano Hannah Marks, bass Mark Valdes, drums

**Theo Bleckmann** is a multi GRAMMY® nominated vocalist, composer and ECM recording artist who has recorded over 17 albums and collaborated with artists such as Ambrose Akinmusire, Sheila Jordan, Kneebody, Ben Monder, John Hollenbeck, Phil Kline, David Lang, Ulysses Owens, Bang on a Can All-Stars, and, most prominently, with Meredith Monk since 1994. Bleckmann has been interviewed by Terry Gross on NPR's *Fresh Air* and appeared on the *The David Letterman* show with

Laurie Anderson. He has consistently appeared in top spots in *DownBeat* polls, and is a recipient of the prestigious JAZZ ECHO award from the Deutsche Phono-Akademie in his native Germany. Most recently he released an album with the celebrated brass quartet *The Westerlies*, toured Finland with the Oulu Symphony Orchestra and UMO Jazz Big Band performing his repertoire and own compositions. Most notably, Pulitzer-Prize-winning composer David Lang wrote a monodrama for Theo Bleckmann which was commissioned by the Japan Society and directed by legendary actor/director Yoshi Oida. The entire production was taken to Tokyo in Feb of 2023. A recording of it will be forthcoming

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