Fletcher Opera Scenes: An Evening at the Opera

featuring
Members of the Fletcher Opera Institute Workshop

with faculty
James Allbritten, music and stage director
Steven LaCosse, stage director
Angela Vanstory Ward, music preparation and piano

Livestream from Stevens Center for the Performing Arts Monday, November 9, 2020 • 7:30 p.m.

Presented by

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Caroline Barclift Hayes, piano
Erin Justice, costume designer
Wheeler Moon, lighting designer
Johnathan Schirillo, sound designer
Cartwright Ayres, production stage manager

FAUST

Music by Charles François Gounod Libretto by Michel Carré and Jules Barbier after the poem by Goethe Premiered March 19, 1859 at the Théâtre Lyrique, Paris Angela Vanstory Ward, piano Act I, Scene 1

> Faust......Logan Webber Méphistophélès......André Peele

LE NOZZE DI FIGARO, KV 492

Music by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart Libretto by Lorenzo da Ponte based on "Le marriage de Figaro" by Beaumarchais Premiered May 1, 1786 at the Burgtheater, Vienna Caroline Barclift Hayes, piano **Act III. Scene 1**

Count Almaviva.....Scott Lee
Susanna.....Margaret Ann Zentner

OTELLO

Music by Gioachino Rossini Libretto by Francesco Maria Berio di Salsa based on the French adaptation of the story "Otello, ou le More de Venise" by Jean-François Ducis Premiered December 4, 1816 at the Teatro del Fondo, Naples Angela Vanstory Ward, piano

Act II, Scene 2

Otello	Kameron Alston
lago	Logan Webber

ARABELLA

Music by Richard Strauss Libretto by Hugo von Hofmannsthal Premiered July 1, 1933 at the Sächsiscnes Staatstheater, Dresden Caroline Barclift Hayes, piano

Act III, Final Scene

Mandryka.....Lawrence Hall Arabella.....Virginia Sheffield

INTERMISSION

DON PASQUALE

Music by Gaetano Donizetti Libretto by Giovanni Ruffini based on a libretto by Angelo Anelli for the opera "Ser Marcantonio" Premiered January 3, 1843 at the Théâtre Italien, Paris Caroline Barclift Hayes, piano

Act I, Scene 1

Don Pasquale.....André Peele Dr. Malatesta.....Scott Lee

MANON

Music by Jules Massenet Libretto by Louis Gallet based on the novel by Abbé Prévost Premiered January 19, 1884 at the Opéra-Comique, Paris Angela Vanstory Ward, piano

Act I, Scene 3

Manon......Margaret Ann Zentner
Chevalier Des GrieuxKameron Alston

FALSTAFF

Music by Guiseppe Verdi Libretto by Ariggo Boito based on Shakespeare's "The Merry Wives of Windsor" and scenes from "Henry IV," parts 1 and 2 Premiered February 9, 1893 at La Scala, Milan Angela Vanstory Ward, piano

Act II, Scene 1

Ford	Lawrence Hall
Falstaff	Scott Lee

ERNANI

Music by Giuseppe Verdi Libretto by Francesa Maria Piave Sung in Italian Premiered March 9, 1844 at Teatro La Fenice, Venice Angela Vanstory Ward, piano Act III, Finale

Ernani	Logan Webber
Elvira	Virginia Sheffield
Silvio	André Peele

PRODUCTION STAFF



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UPCOMING PERFORMANCES

UNCSA Chamber Winds in Concert

Tuesday, November 10, 2020 • 7:30 p.m. Livestream from Watson Chamber Music Hall

The Igor Stravinsky's virtuosity is brilliantly displayed in his Octet for Winds, the opening work of his neoclassical period, performed on this concert by the UNCSA Chamber Winds.

The concert continues with Henri Tomasi's wind quintet, which adds alto saxophone and exploits the diverse sounds, articulations and range of the ensemble to provide the imagery of birds in springtime who awaken and move into a frenzied dance in his energetic Printemps.

Henry V by William Shakespeare — On-Demand

Thursday, November 12, 2020 • 7:30 p.m.

School of Drama faculty member Sara Becker directs William Shakespeare's most famous war play – about England's victory over France at the Battle of Agincourt – as a radio play. While third- and fourth-year actors get a workout with voice and text curriculum of the School of Drama, students in the School of Design & Production flex their design muscles by creating an original soundtrack to provide context for the story of a young king leading his outnumbered band of brothers into battle during the Hundred Years War. The performance will be recorded in UNCSA studios by actors working individually.

After its premiere on Nov. 12, "Henry V" will continue to be available and on-demand as a podcast.

UNCSA Ensembles: Student Woodwind and Brass Ensembles

Friday, November 13, 2020 • 7:30 p.m. Livestream from Watson Chamber Music Hall

UNCSA students perform Afro-Cuban Concerto by Valerie Coleman, named the 2020 Classical Woman of the Year by "Performance Today" and one of the top female composers in classical music.

