Amadeus, Brandenburg and Wind Undecet Ensembles

Karen Ní Bhroin and Mark A. Norman, conductors
Ida Bieler, director
Dmitri Vorobiev, harpsichord

Watson Chamber Music Hall Friday, May 14, 2021 • 7:30 p.m.

Presented by

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Variations on a Theme by Haydn, Op. 56a (1873)......Johannes Brahms
Theme. Andante (1833 - 1897)

Variation I. Poco più animato

arr. Mark Popkin

Variation II. Più vivace

Variation III. Con moto

Variation IV. Andante con moto

Variation V. Vivace

Variation VI. Vivace

Variation VII. Grazioso

Variation VIII. Presto non troppo

Finale. Andante

Wind Undecet Mark A. Norman, conductor

Ricardo Gil, piccolo Madelyn Sealey and Jack King, flute Becca Chadwick and Evan LaVack, oboe Trent Smart and Clara Spears, clarinet Winfred Felton and Brianna Cantwell, bassoon Gray Smiley and Elijah Barclift, horn

Fantasia on a Theme by Thomas Tallis (1910).......Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872 - 1958)

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Solo Quartet

Maitreyi Muralidharan, violin 1; Sarah Kissinger, violin 2 Jui Fan Lin, viola; Jake Anderson, cello

Orchestra I

Violin 1: Kennedy Graves and Matthias Semrau Violin 2: Ada Walker

Viola: Joshua Forbes

Cello: Sydney Urmston

Double Bass: Zane Hollomon and Lucas Caceres

Orchestra II

Violin 1: Elena Rang and Nick Williams Violin 2: Christine Park and Addy Quinn Viola: Dawson Yow and Ulrich Eichenauer Cello: Elijah White and Sydney Urmston

Double Bass: Sean Darnev

Serenade for Strings in E Minor, Op. 20 (1892)......Edward Elgar (1857 - 1934)

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Concerto Grosso in C Minor, Op. 6, No. 8.....George Frederic Handel HMV 326 (1739) (1685 - 1759)

Double Bass: Aaron Lawton and Amir Webb

Allemande Grave Andante allegro Adagio Siciliana Allegro

> Brandenburg Ensemble Ida Bieler, director Dmitri Vorobiev, harpsichord

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BIOGRAPHIES

An alumna of the University of North Carolina School of the Arts (UNCSA) School of Music, **IDA BIELER** joined the faculty in 2013. She was subsequently named artistic director of the school's Chrysalis Chamber Music Institute when it was formed in 2015. She has won prestigious music competitions on three continents, has been a regular performer in major music capitals throughout the world, has recorded for radio and television on five continents, and has appeared with leading international orchestras. She is on the faculty of both the Robert Schumann Hochschule in Düsseldorf, Germany, and Kunstuniversität Graz, Austria. Bieler is the creator and director of the Vivaldi Project, a teacher training program in both the Robert Schumann Hochschule and UNCSA aimed at educating underprivileged youth.

KAREN NÍ BHROIN is from Co. Wexford, Ireland, and is one of Ireland's leading young conductors. She holds the position of associate conductor/visiting professor at UNCSA.

Ní Bhroin was announced as the new assistant conductor for the Winston-Salem Symphony Orchestra beginning with the 2020-2021 season. She is also the music director for the Winston-Salem Symphony's Youth Orchestra Program. In 2019, Ní Bhroin was appointed assistant director of the Akron Symphony Chorus (Ohio), and she made her debut with the Akron Symphony Orchestra in 2020.

Ní Bhroin was RTÉ Conductor in Training from 2016-2018 working with the RTÉ National Symphony Orchestra and RTÉ Philharmonic Choir in Dublin, Ireland. Here she worked with chorus master Mark Hindley and the RTÉ Philharmonic Choir as well as with RTÉ principal guest conductor Nathalie Stutzmann.

During the summer of 2019, Ní Bhroin served as assistant conductor at the National Music Festival USA with conductor Richard Rosenberg. That same year she attended the Dartington International Summer School to study advanced conducting, and during 2018, she was a Britten-Pears Young Artist under Marin Alsop at Snape Maltings, UK.

Ní Bhroin is a graduate of Ireland's Trinity College Dublin (2013) and Ohio's Kent State University (2020), where she held the position of graduate assistant orchestral conductor with Jungho Kim while pursuing her masters in orchestral conducting.

MARK A. NORMAN is the director of instrumental ensembles at UNCSA. He teaches instrumental conducting, directs the wind ensemble and chamber winds, conducts select performances with the symphony orchestra, and he is the co-director of nu Ensemble whose focus centers on new music. Previously, he has served on the conducting faculties at the University of Michigan, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, University of North Carolina at Greensboro, Washburn and Towson universities. Ensembles under his direction have performed at international, national and state conferences and in some of the top performing concert halls in the United States. Norman maintains an active schedule as a guest artist, clinician and adjudicator for professional and academic ensembles, workshops and festivals. Recent guest conducting programs include those with the Western Piedmont Symphony, Winston-Salem Symphony, North Carolina Brass Band and the All-State District VII Honors Band in Raleigh, NC.

Norman is a former principal tuba of the Georgetown, McLean and Mt. Vernon symphonies and tuba instrumentalist with the United States Navy Band in Washington, DC. He has also performed with the North Carolina, Charlotte, Richmond, Fairfax, Winston-Salem, Greensboro and Topeka symphony orchestras and is the winner of several solo and chamber music competitions. Outside of his duties at UNCSA, he is the music director of the American Music Ensemble, a professional consort comprised of UNCSA alumni and faculty specializing in the 19th and 20th century music of Scott Joplin, John Phillip Sousa and early jazz composers.

DMITRI SHTEINBERG joined the UNCSA faculty in 2011. Outside his regular teaching responsibilities, he remains engaged in developing the curriculum at UNCSA's Community Music School, with a dual focus on professional training for young children as well as for future teachers.

Shteinberg's personal areas of interest involve period instruments and eighteenth-century performance practice, viewed in a broad socio-cultural light. The other area of research is the emergence of "modern" music in the early twentieth century, a topic he has taught as a multidisciplinary course.

Students of Shteinberg's studio have performed with the UNCSA symphony, the Fayetteville Symphony and Winston-Salem Youth Orchestra, and have won numerous local and regional competitions. Furthermore, studio alumni hold teaching positions in the United States and China.

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Season Finale: Beethoven to Copland!

Saturday, May 15, 2021 • 7:30 p.m. Livestream from Watson Chamber Music Hall

Beethoven's Symphony 1 transcribed for Harmonie Ensemble by Beethoven's protégé, Georg Schmitt is performed by the UNCSA Chamber Winds conducted by Mark A. Norman. Associate conductor Karen Ní Bhroin leads the UNCSA Chamber Orchestra in Aaron Copland's epic Appalachian Spring.

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