



The sun's eyes are painting fields again.

Its lashes with expert strokes
Are sweeping across
the land.

A great palette
of light
has embraced
This earth.

Hafiz,
if just a little clay and water
Mixed in His bowl
Can yield such
exquisite scents, sights,
Music -
and whirling forms.

What
unspeakable
wonders
must await with
the commencement
of unfolding
of the infinite number
of petals
That are the Soul.

...God has a root
in each act and creature
from which He draws
His mysterious
Divine
life.

His
eyes
are
painting fields
again...

~ Hâfez ~

LYRIC FEST

presents

Moving Heaven and Earth

~ world spirituality in song ~

With

Timothy Bentsch

Suzanne DuPlantis

Lorraine Hinds

Jennifer Hsiung

Steven LaBrie

Randi Marrazzo

Laura Ward, piano

Michael Locati, Violin and Viola

Jennifer Riley, narrator

The Motet Choir
of the Pennsylvania Girlchoir

Mark Anderson, conductor

World Premiere by

Kile Smith

Friday, October 30, 2009 at 7:30pm
at The Presbyterian Church of Chestnut Hill

Sunday, November 1, 2009 at 3pm
at The First Presbyterian Church in Philadelphia

PROGRAM

with Laura Ward, piano and Jennifer Riley, narrator

ALL PEOPLES

Unser Mund und Ton der Saiten

Timothy Bentsch, Michael Locati, violin

Johann Sebastian Bach

Ushas

Steven LaBrie

Gustav Holst

Laudate Dominum

Lorraine Hinds

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

I WILL BRING THEM

And I will bring them

Randi Marrazzo

Lori Laitman

I perceive that you are a wayfaring man

Timothy Bentsch, Steven LaBrie

Ralph Vaughan Williams

we have come

Suzanne DuPlantis, Randi Marrazzo, The Pennsylvania Girlchoir, Mark Anderson, Conductor,
Michael Locati, viola, Jodi Bohr, percussion

Abbie Betinis

THE HEART RESPONDS

Symbole des Apôtre

Lorraine Hinds

André Caplet

A Servant Unto thee

Timothy Bentsch with Jennifer Hsiung, Suzanne DuPlantis, Steven LaBrie

Benjamin Steinberg

My soul doth magnify the Lord

Lorraine Hinds, Jennifer Hsiung, Michael Locati, violin

Nicholas White

Allah, Akbar Allah

Randi Marrazzo

Karol Szymanowski

Widmung

Steven LaBrie

Robert Schumann

WITH PRAISE

Two Laudate Psalms

Psalms 113

Psalms 150

Suzanne DuPlantis and The Pennsylvania Girlchoir, Mark Anderson, conductor

Kyle Smith

Intermission

IN NATURE

Mi'kmaq Honour Song The Pennsylvania Girlchoir, Mark Anderson, conductor	Lydia Adams
Autumn Jennifer Hsiung	Charles Ives
Fussreise Steven LaBrie	Hugo Wolf

DARKNESS AND LIGHT

Author of Light Timothy Bentch	Thomas Campion
The Power of Love Ensemble	Lucy E. Carroll
Ballade que Villon fait à la requête de sa mère Steven LaBrie	Claude Debussy
Magic Prayer The Pennsylvania Girlchoir, Mark Anderson, conductor, Jodi Bohr, piano, Amanda Ashbaker, flute	Srul Irving Glick

GLORY

Alleluia Randi Marrazzo	Ned Rorem
Ride up in a Chariot Lorraine Hinds	Betty Jackson King

WITH SIMPLE SONGS

Simple Song Timothy Bentch, Michael Locati, violin	Leonard Bernstein
Vallancico Castellano Jennifer Hsiung	Joaquín Nin
The Heavenly Banquet Lorraine Hinds	Samuel Barber
Grace Suzanne DuPlantis	Michael Tilson Thomas
God Moves in a Mysterious Way Tutti	Benjamin Britten

The Motet Choir of The Pennsylvania Girlchoir, Mark Anderson, Director

Jasmine Azizi, Emily Ball, Sharell Bryant, Dana Campbell, Sarah Cardwell, C.C. Carpitella, Maura Church, Jordanna Composto, Jennifer Cullen, Karalea Davis, Lillie Ferris, Julia Fijan, Carolyn Grace, Catharine Haak, Brea Hall, Hadley Hall, Becky Hallam, Nikki Jett-El, Lauren Kelly, Hilary Leonard, Elisabeth Lugano, Christina Milbourne, Kara Mulder, Anna Mullin, Valentina Nicolo, Kelly Norton, Adjoa Ntoso, Willa Ott, Rebecca Payne-Passmore, Caroline Podraza, Johanna Press, Kyra Reumann Moore, Nicolette Riley, Emma Schmidt, Christina Schorsch, Falon Seibert-Burns, Lisa Spiller, Alice Thornburgh, Phoebe Wise, Elizabeth Yaffe, Zanna Yoshida, Caroline Zhong, Andrea Zuzack