

DEPARTMENT OF MUSIC

Presents in Senior Recital

# Julie Knott Soprano

Daniel Glessner Piano

Assisted by:

Brielle Finkbeiner, Greysen Kemper, and Micah Collins

Saturday, January 27, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. HIGH FOUNDATION RECITAL HALL CALVIN AND JANET HIGH CENTER FOR WORSHIP AND PERFORMING ARTS

## Program

Tornami a vagheggiar (Alcina)George Freder	rick Handel (1685-1759)
<i>Fetes Galantes I</i> Claud I. En sourdine II. Fantoches III. Clair de lune	de Debussy (1862-1918)
Bachianas Brasileiras no. 5Heitor I. Aria II. Danza	Villa-Lobos (1887-1959)

#### Intermission

Ain't It A Pretty Night (Susanna)	Carlisle Floyd
	(1926-2021)

Try Me, Good King: The Last Words of The Wives of Henry VIII......Libby Larsen I. Katherine of Aragon (b. 1950) II. Anne Boleyn III. Jane Seymour IV. Anne of Cleaves V. Katherine Howard

How Lovely Is Thy Dwelling Place	
(Ein Deutsches Requiem, Op. 45)	Johannes Brahms
	(1833-1897)

Brielle Finkbeiner, soprano; Greysen Kemper, tenor; Micah Collins, Bass

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## Translations

#### Tornami a vagheggiar

Return to me

Return me to vague, you only want to love this faithful soul, my dear good. I already gave you my heart; I will trust my love; I will never be cruel to you, my dear spury.

#### **En Sourdine**

Muted

Calm in the twilight Cast by loft boughs, Let us steep our love In this deep quiet. Let us mingle our souls, our hearts And our enraptured senses With the hazy languor Of arbutus and pine. Half-close your eyes, Fold your arms across your breast, And from your heart now lulled to rest Banish forever all intent. Let us both succumb To the gentle and lulling breeze That comes to ruffle at your feet The waves of russet grass. And when, solemnly, evening Falls from the black oaks, That voice of our despair, The nightingale shall sing.

#### Fantoches

Puppet

Scaramouche and Pulcinella Drawn together by some evil scheme, Gesticulate, black beneath the moon. Meanwhile the excellent doctor From Bologna is leisurely picking Medicinal herbs in the brown grass. Then his daughter, pertly pretty, Beneath the arbor, stealthily, Glides, half-naked, in quest Of her handsome Spanish pirate, Whose grief a lovelorn nightingale Proclaims as loudly as he can.

#### Clair de lune

Moonlight

Your soul is a select landscape Where charming masqueraders and bergamaskers go Playing the lute and dancing and almost Sad beneath their fantastic disguises. All sing in a minor key Of victorious love and the opportune life, They do not seem to believe in their happiness And their song mingles with the moonlight, With the still moonlight, sad and beautiful, That sets the birds dreaming in the trees And the fountains sobbing in ecstasy, The tall slender fountains among marble statues.

### Bachianas Brasileiras no. 5 I Aria (Cantilena)

Lo, at midnight clouds are slowly passing, rosy and lustrous, O"er the spacious heav'n with loveliness laden. From the boundless deep the moon arises wondrous, glorifying the evening like a beauteous maiden. Now she adorns herself in half unconscious duty, eager, anxious that we recognize her beauty,

while sky and earth, yea, all nature with applause salute her. All the birds have ceased their sad and mournful complaining, now appears on the sea in a silver reflection moonlight softly waking the soul and constraining hearts to cruel tears and bitter dejection. Lo, at midnight clouds are slowly passing rosy and lustrous o'er

the spacious heavens dreamily wondrous.

### II Dansa (Martelo)

Irere, my little nestling from the wilds of Cariri, Irere, my loved companion, my singing sweetheart! Where goes my dear? Where goes Maria? Ah, sorry is the lot of him who fain would sing! Ah! without his lute on song of gladness can he bring, Ah! his whistle shrill must be his flute for Irere. But yours the flute that once in forest wilds was sounding, Ah! with its message of grief and woe. Ah! your song came forth from out the depths of forest wilds, Ah, like summer winds that comfort ev'ry mournful heart, Ah, Ah! Irere, Sing and enchant me! Sing once more, sing once more! Bring me songs of Cariri! Sing; my lovely song-bird, sing your song again, sing; my Irere: sing of pain and sorrow, As the birds of morning wake Maria in the dawning. Sing with all your voices, Birds of the woods and the wilds, Sing your songs! ye forest Birds! La! lia! lia! lia! lia! lia! Ye nestlings of the singing forest wilds. Lia! lia! lia! lia! La! lia! lia! lia! lia! lia! Ye nestlings of the mournful forest Oh, yours the song that comes from the depths of forest wilds like summer winds that comfort ev'ry mournful heart. Irere, my little nestling from the wilds of Cariri, Irere, my loved companion, my singing sweetheart, where goes my dear? Where goes Maria? Ah, sorry is the lot of him who fain would sing! Ah! without his lute no song of gladness can he bring, Ah! his whistle shrill must be his flute for Irere, but yours the flute that once in forest wilds was sounding, Ah! with its message of grief and woe.

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### Try Me, Good King: The Last Words of The Wives of Henry VIII

# Katherine of Aragon, formerly Queen of England, to King Henry VIII, 7 January 1536:

My most dear Lord, King, and Husband,

The hour of my death now drawing on, the tender love I owe you forces me . . .

to commend myself unto you and to put you in remembrance of the health and welfare of your soul.... You have cast me into many calamities and yourself into many troubles. For my part, I pardon you everything, and I wish to devoutly pray God that He will pardon you also. For the rest, I commend unto you our daughter, Mary, beseeching you to be a good father unto her.... Lastly, I make this vow, that my eyes desire you above all things....

#### Letter from Anne Boleyn, Queen of England, to Henry VIII, 6 May 1536; Excerpts from two letters from Henry VIII to Anne Boleyn;

### Anne Boleyn's speech at her execution, 19 May 1536:

Try me, good king, . . . and let me have a lawful trial, and let not my enemies sit as my accusers and judges. Let me receive an open trial for my truth shall fear no open shame. . . Never a prince had a wife more loyal in all duty, . . . in all true affection, than you have ever found in Anne Bulen . . . . You have chosen me from low estate to be your wife and companion. . . . Do you not remember the words of your own hand? "My own darling . . . I would you were in my arms . . . for I think it long since I kissed you. My mistress and friend. . . ." Try me, good king. . . . If ever I have found favor in your sight — if ever the name of Anne Bulen has been pleasing to your ears — then let me obtain this request. . . and my innocence shall be . . . known and . . . cleared.

Good Christian People, I come hither to die, . . . and by the law I am judged

to die.... I pray God save the King. I hear the executioner's good, and my neck is so little...

# Jane Seymour, Queen of England, to the Council, 12 October 1537; "Tudor rose" (Anonymous):

Right trusty and Well-Beloved, we greet you well . . . for as much as be the ines- timable goodness . . . of Almighty God, we be delivered . . . of a prince, . . .

I love the rose both red and white. To hear of them is my delight! Joyed may we be,

Our prince to see, And roses three!

#### Anne of Cleves, Queen of England, to Henry VIII, 11 July 1540:

I have been informed . . . by certain lords . . . . of the doubts and questions which have been . . . found in our marriage . . . . It may please your majesty to know that, though this case . . . be most hard . . . and sorrowful . . . I have and do accept

[the clergy] for my judges. So now, . . . the clergy hath . . . given their sentence,

I . . . approve . . . . I neither can nor will repute myself for your grace's wife . . . yet it will please your highness to take me for your sister, for which I most humbly thank you. . . .

Your majesty's most humble sister, Anne, daughter of Cleaves

# Katherine Howard, Queen of England, recorded at her execution by an unknown Spaniard, 13 February 1541:

God have mercy on my soul. Good people, I beg you pray for me. By the journey upon which I am bound, brothers, I have not wronged the King. But it is true that long before the King took me, I loved [Thomas] Culpeper. . . . I wish to God I had done as Culpeper wished me, for at the time the King wanted . . . me, [Culpeper] urged me to say that I was pledged to him. If I had done as he wished me I should not die this death, nor would he. . . . God have mercy on my soul. Good people, I beg you pray for me. . . . I die a Queen, but I would rather die the wife of Culpeper.