

CLASS OF 2008 CONVOCATION

and

PRESIDENTIAL CONCERT

presented by

THE SHEPHERD SCHOOL OF MUSIC

in celebration of Rice University's

Ninety-Fifth Commencement

Friday, May 9, 2008

7:45 p.m.

Stude Concert Hall

RICE UNIVERSITY

the
Shepherd
School
of Music

PROGRAM

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Tafelmusik II: Quartet in D Minor for Three Flutes and Continuo

*George Philipp Telemann
(1681-1767)*

IV. Allegro

*Christina Sjoquist, flute †
Catherine Branch, flute *
Leslie Richmond, flute *
Andrew Cuneo, bassoon †
John Meier, harpsichord*

*Vilia from the operetta **The Merry Widow***

*Franz Lehár
(1870-1948)*

*Synopsis: Anna, the widow of a banker who left her millions, hosts a party in the garden of her home where community members seek to elicit a saving donation for the bankrupt town. Anna would like to marry her true love, Count Danila, whose family prevented them from marrying. She leads the guests in the traditional folksong **Vilia**, a love song about a mystical nymph of the forest.*

*Meghan Tarkington, soprano *
Charles Tauber, piano*

*Summertime from the opera **Porgy and Bess***

*George Gershwin
(1898-1937)*

Synopsis: It's an autumn evening on Catfish Row in Charleston, South Carolina, and the residents have just settled down after a long day of work. Clara sings a lullaby to her baby while the men prepare for a game of craps. The song tells of the summer days and the promise of a better life for her child.

*Adrianna Bond, soprano †
Charles Tauber, piano*

Flower Duet
from the opera **Lakmé**

Léo Delibes
(1836-1891)

Synopsis: This duet is one of the most famous in history. Set in India, Lakmé and her serving girl Mallika sing of love as they prepare to bathe in the sacred stream that runs in front of their house.

Meghan Tarkington, soprano *
Adrianna Bond, soprano †
Charles Tauber, piano

Etude in C-sharp Minor, Op. 2 No. 1
Etude in D-sharp Minor, Op. 8 No. 12

Alexander Scriabin
(1872-1915)

Benjamin Laude, piano *

Concert Duo for Violin and Double Bass
(first movement)

Edgar Meyer
(b. 1960)

Maria Dance, violin *
P. Graham Eubanks, double bass *

Trio for Violin, Viola, and Cello
in G Major, Op. 9 No. 1

Ludwig van Beethoven
(1770-1827)

I. Adagio - Allegro con brio

Rachelle Hunt, violin *
Rachel Kuipers, viola *
Madeleine Kabat, cello *

Recreation
III. Presto

Pierre Gabaye
(1930-2000)

Joseph Cooper, trumpet †
Pamela Harris, horn †
Joel Brown, trombone †
Charles Tauber, piano

Receiving the following degrees from Rice University tomorrow:

† *Master of Music*

* *Bachelor of Music*

President David Leebron
and his wife Ping Sun will greet
students and their families and guests
in the Grand Foyer following the concert.

