Faculty Guitar Recital
Ms. Amy Houghton
assisted by Mr. Trevor Hunt

Thursday, March 27, 2014 • 7:30 p.m.
Belhaven University Center for the Arts • Concert Hall
There will be a reception after the program. Please come and greet the performers. Please refrain from the use of all flash and still photography during the concert. Please turn off all pagers and cell phones.

PROGRAM

Mrs. Winter’s Jump

John Dowland • 1563 - 1626

Bardenklänge

Johann Kaspar Mertz • 1806 - 1856

I. Unrest
II. Romance
III. Fingal’s Cave

La Muerte de Angel (The Death of the Angel)

Astor Piazzolla • 1921 - 1992

Ms. Amy Houghton, Guitar

INTERMISSION

Prelude, Fugue, and Variation, Op. 18

Cesar Franck • 1822 - 1900

I. Prelude

arr. by Matanya Ophee

Ms. Amy Houghton & Mr. Trevor Hunt, Guitar

Prelude from BWV 998

Johann Sebastian Bach • 1685 - 1750

Tres Cantigas Negras

Ernesto Cordero • b. 1946

I. Canto Negroriano
II. Danza del Cimarrón

Ms. Amy Houghton, Guitar

PROGRAM NOTES

Mrs. Winter’s Jump - John Dowland was a composer during the Renaissance period, highly known for his lute works and works for voice and lute. Dowland’s music can be very mournful, or light and happy. I chose a light piece that resembles a jubilant dance.

Bardenklänge - Johann Kaspar Mertz was a leading virtuoso guitarist composer of the Romantic period. His music often features melodies with chromatic lines, and rapid arpeggio figures. Bardenklänge is a significant collection of Romantic era miniatures and character pieces or tone poems. Bardenklänge translates to ‘Bardic Sounds,’ or ‘Sounds of the Bard.’ Some of the titles of these short works are taken from Scottish poetical characters.

La Muerte de Angel - Everyone needs a little tango in their life! Argentinian composer Astor Piazzola played the bandoneon, also known as the accordion. He is known for changing the style of tango in Latin America. In 1955 he formed a group the Octeto Buenos Aires, a group made up of two bandoneons, two violins, double bass, cello, piano, and an electric guitar, he produced innovative works and interpretations which break away from classic tango, which included a singer and dancers. Piazzolla created chamber music instead, called
‘New Tango.’ Several of his glorious works are transcribed for solo guitar, and for guitar and flute.

**Prelude, Fugue, and Variation** - Cesar Franck’s *Prélude, fugue et variations* has become a popular work among organists and is familiar to music lovers even though they may not know its title or composer. Written in 1862, it is a part of the larger Six Pièces pour le Grand Orgue. These works were written at the height of the Romantic organ’s popularity, which stretched between 1830 and 1930. The Prélude exhibits a pastoral feel, with a gorgeous floating melody.

**Prelude from BWV 998** - Bach’s *Prelude, Fugue, and Allegro, BWV 998* is considered to date from the mid-1740’s. Originally in the key of Eb major, it is believed to be written for lute-harpsichord. The work contains a ‘da capo’ fugue, with the exposition repeated in full at the end of the movement. This *Prelude* is one of my favorites from the lute suites.

**Tres Cantigas Negras** is a three movement work written by Puerto Rican composer Ernesto Cordero. It was commissioned by the Guitar Congress in Germany for the Fifth International Guitar Competition for Students in Europe. The first movement utilizes certain 20th century guitar techniques like string crossing and percussive blows to the guitar. The work as a whole emulates the style of the African Heritage of the Caribbean Culture. *Canto Negroriano* evokes the ancient music of this culture and even gives an allusion to Gregorian Chant. The second movement can be compared to a tribal-like dance with a steady rhythm and a section with nothing but percussive blows like bongo drums on the guitar body.

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Thank you to those working behind the scenes to make today’s program a success: music faculty supervisor, Dr. Andrew Sauerwein; student workers – house manager, Rachel Gari; ushers, Andrew Horton & Wil Murphy; stage manager, Joey Dinco; recording/sound, Dorothy Glover; lighting/photography/videography, Joy Kenyon; reception assistant, Alexia Valente.
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Friday, March 28, 7:30pm, Concert Hall
String & Orchestra Concert

Saturday, March 29, 3pm, Concert Hall
All-State Strings Concert

Saturday, March 29, 7:30pm, Concert Hall
Brooke Kressin Junior Piano Recital

Monday, March 31, 7pm, Concert Hall
Mrs. Gena Everitt Faculty Voice Recital

Thursday, April 3, 7:30pm, Concert Hall
Mr. Owen Rockwell Faculty Percussion Recital

Friday, April 4, 7:30pm, Concert Hall
Alesia Sterling Junior Voice Recital

Saturday, April 5, 3pm, Concert Hall
Instrumental Arts Concert

Saturday, April 5, 7:30pm, Concert Hall
Brooke Edwards Senior Voice Recital

Tuesday, April 8, 7:30pm, Concert Hall
Dr. Rebecca Geihsler Faculty Voice Recital

Monday, April 14, 7:30pm, Concert Hall
Katie Rowan Senior Collaborative Piano Recital

Saturday, April 5, 7:30pm, Concert Hall
Choral and Vocal Arts Concert

Saturday, April 12, 7:30pm, Concert Hall
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