The Belhaven University Department of Music
Dr. Stephen W. Sachs, Chair
presents

Student Composers
Concert XVIII

Tuesday, April 11, 2017 • 7:30 p.m.
Belhaven University • 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

A Musical Prayer

B. Joanna Ayers, Toy Piano and Other Noisemakers; Rachael McCartney, Piano; Seth Shelton, Cello; James Stewart, Mallet Percussion

Organ Symbiosis

Mr. Joshua Nichols, Organ

B. Joanna Ayers • b. 1995

Mutual effort has been an asset to the production of this piece. With no foreknowledge of what I was getting myself into when I began composing for organ, I found Josh's concise information and knowledge essential in writing for this “monster music box.” Tonight you hear what has emerged as a result of symbiosis: gothic by chance, dramatic by intention.

Characters, Set I

Public Menace

Nostalgia

We Will Stand

Daniel Jones, Piano

Zakary Joyner • b. 1996

Jessica Schmidt • b. 1994

Rebekah Miller • b. 1996

The two sets of piano pieces presented tonight come from students in the sophomore-level course Introduction to Compositional Process. Their commission, to invent short piano pieces using musical “seeds”, prompted a variety of evocative images.

Pollination

Seth Shelton, Cello

Pollination reflects on the idea of what it might be like to observe a bee buzzing from flower to flower. The stylistic approach for the piece is improvisatory and rustic in nature.

A Tentative Creature

Mr. Joshua Nichols, Organ

Rachael McCartney • b. 1993

Eeyore does not know what he was writing about. It is troublesome. What do you suggest for a title?

Vignettes

B. Joanna Ayers, Toy Piano and Other Noisemakers; Rachael McCartney, Piano; Seth Shelton, Cello; James Stewart, Mallet Percussion

(Improvisation)

What can we say about something we are collectively inventing on the spot prompted by unpredictable imagery, other than to make music happen? Composition so often begins with an idea barging into the dressing-room, looking for music to wear, improvising a coordinated ensemble from sounds in the closet to fit the occasion, tucking in its shirt on the way out the door…
Department of Music Mission Statement

The Department's mission is to produce transformational leaders in the musical arts who will have profound influence.

Noccume, Daniel Jones, Organ

Af: Joshua Nichols, Organ

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English Lost

Rich Quality

Stones

Characters: Set II

James Stewart

Music: Magnificat Procession

I. In Desperation, When

II. In Reaching Out

Zakyah Joyner, Violin; Daniel Jones, Viola; Rebekah Miller, Cello

D. Joanne Ayers

Lazarus: See How He Loved Him

Zakyah Joyner, Violin; Daniel Jones, Viola; Rebekah Miller, Cello

D. Joanne Ayers
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Thank you to those working behind the scenes to make today’s program a success: music faculty supervisor, Dr. Andrew Sauermann; student workers – Sound, Silvanus Johnson; Videographer, LaDeshia Lonie; Photographer, Deborah Kim; House manager, Hannah Bonner; Stage manager, Jessica Schmidt; Ushers, Maddy Jolley & Hannah Wilson; Reception Hosts, Qichao Cen & Rachael Boxill.

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

- Instrumental Arts Concert
- Taylor Scrivner Junior Trumpet Recital
- Choral Festival Concert
- Best of Belhaven II
- Choral Arts Concert: “Songs for Slaying Giants”

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