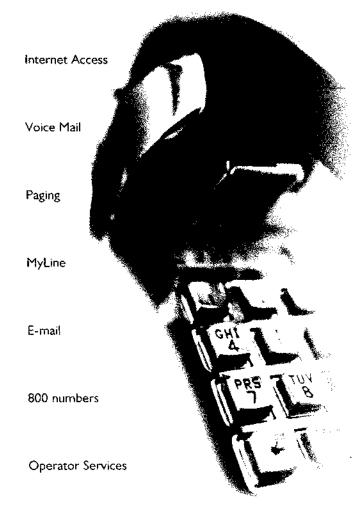


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at Cal Poly in 1967. Through the years, he co-founded the Mozart Festival in 1970, conducted the San Luis Obispo Symphony from 1971 to 1983, served as Head of the Cal Poly Music Department from 1983 to 1996, and has received numerous awards for his leadership including the President's Award for Contributions to the Arts of San Luis Obispo County. He has served on the board of the Association of California Symphony Orchestras, directed Cal Poly's London Study Program, served as a panelist for the California Arts Council, and been requested to review university music department programs throughout California. One of Swanson's greatest satisfactions has been his involvement in the design and construction of the new Christopher Cohan Performing Arts Center on the Cal Poly campus. Readily recognized as one of the best halls on the West Coast, its acoustic quality and flexibility has created a worthy home for the Mozart Festival for years to come. As the San Luis Obispo Mozart Festival approaches its 30th year with Swanson as Music Director, it is just beginning to reach its potential and maturity. We all look forward with anticipation to the Festival in its new home and to the music that is yet to come.



Jeffrey Kahane
Associate Conductor
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Jeffrey Kahane is returning to the Mozart
Festival for his fifth summer as Associate
Conductor. He is the Music Director and
Conductor of the Los Angeles Chamber
Orchestra. Music Director of the Santa
Rosa Symphony, and co-founder of the
Gardner Chamber Orchestra in Boston.

In addition to his reputation as an inspiring and persuasive conductor. Kahane has been hailed for years as a pianist of extraordinary depth and insight. He has appeared as a piano soloist with many of the world's leading orchestras.



Thomas Davies
Festival Chorus Conductor
Sponsored by Lee and Jane Broshears
Thomas Davies just completed his 14th
year as Director of Choral Activities at
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Craig Russell
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Skywalker Ranch in June, and it will be

released on the Teldec label in a few months.



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### Featured Composers



#### Leo Eylar

Composer-conductor Leo Eylar's compositions have been performed in America, Europe and in the Far East. "Three Sketches for Bass, Violin and Piano" expresses "brilliant flashes of Neo-Classicism" says the New York Times. In June 1994, the Seattle Symphony

recorded his "Dance Suite for Trumpet and Orchestra," under the direction of Gerard Schwarz. Eylar is a frequent guest conductor for the San Jose Symphony and has been invited to be guest conductor at the Okayama Music Festival in Japan in August 1997.



#### **Garry Eister**

Sponsored by Earle and Diane Blakeslee

Garry Eister's compositions have been performed by the Cleveland Chamber Symphony, the USC New Music Ensemble and the Synchronia New Music Ensemble of St. Louis. As a composer/

performer, Eister has toured Europe four times with Daniel Lentz and his ensembles. Presently, he teaches at Allan Hancock College and works as an artist-in-residence for the Santa Barbara County Schools teaching folk songs and general music to elementary school children

### Virginia Wright, Clarinetist



One of the remarkable characteristics of the Mozart Festival is the loyalty of the musicians who comprise the orchestra. Those who have attended the Festival over the years have noticed how many musicians have participated for five, ten, even twenty years!

One of the most loyal musicians of all, a founding member of the Festival orchestra 27 years ago, and a wonderful musical friend to San Luis Obispo, is clarinetist Virginia Wright. A resident of Shell Beach, Virginia has played every Festival (with the exception of one when she and her husband Marty spent the summer in Germany) between 1971 and 1995. Always prepared, totally conscientious and committed to the highest standards, Virginia is loved by all who work with her and respected by the best.

Virginia teaches clarinet in the Music Department at Cal Poly and her students have won numerous prizes. She is Principal Clarinet of the San Luis Obispo Symphony and performs in numerous chamber music ensembles year-round. She has had an enormous impact on the lives of all musicians in San Luis Obispo.

Virginia has announced her retirement from the Festival and expressed the desire to sit back and enjoy the concerts from the audience. The Mozart Festival would like to express its sincere appreciation for her years of music-making and would like to invite her to continue to come to all of our parties! We have just finished checking the tapes for the past 27 years and we can't find a single missed note!





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### Featured Artists



#### Kathleen Barata

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#### John Duykers

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Since making his professional operatic debut with Seattle Opera in 1966, John Duykers has appeared with many of the leading opera companies of the world. In 1987, he created the role of Mao Tse-tung in John Adams' Nixon in China for the Houston Grand Opera.
Subsequently, he has performed this role

throughout the world. Nixon in China was telecast over PBS "Great Performances" and won an Emmy award. John Duykers is represented exclusively by California Artists Mangement, San Francisco.



#### Maria Jette

Sponsored by Gerry & Peggy Peterson
Maria Jette's career encompasses a variety of
musical styles. She has appeared in intimate recitals,
in the concert hall and on the operatic stage. A
resident of Minneapolis-St. Paul, she appears
regularly with the renowned St. Paul Chamber
Orchestra. Her operatic roles cover a broad range,
both in style and character, including Handel's

Cleopatra, Purcell's Dido, Monteverdi's Poppea, as well as Fiordiligi in the Festival's 1996 production of Mozart's Cosi Fan Tutte.

### Featured Artists



Cynthia Lohman

Hailed for the sparkling energy of her performances, soprano Cynthia Lohman has excelled in oratorio, operatic and music theatre repertoire. Her performances have taken her to Britain, Canada, Scandinavia, and South America where, in addition to orchestral work, she has sung leading roles in operas, such as Nozze di Figaro, Don Giovanni, Così Fan Tutte, La Boheme, and Die Zauberflöte.



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depth of musical expression and gusto. Dr. Ortiz has over thirty recordings, including a Gold Record in South America. His compositions have been performed and recorded by classical and folk harpists throughout the world.



Jonathan Mack

A favorite of Festival audiences, this is Mr. Mack's sixth appearance with the Mozart Festival. Jonathan Mack's career as a lyric tenor has taken him throughout the United States, Europe and Australia as a recital, concert and opera singer. He has performed with the L.A. Music Center Opera for over 10 seasons as a concert artist with the Los Angeles Philharmonic as well as the Santa Fe Symphony and the London Symphony Orchestra.



Jon Kimura Parker

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well-known personality, hosting radio and television programs for the CBC. Mr. Parker is represented by ICM Artists, Ltd.



**Edith Orloff** 

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Edith Orloff has performed extensively to great acclaim throughout the United States. Her diversity as a performer has led her to concertize with equal success as a recitalist, chamber musician and soloist. She also performed in Italy for the American Academy of Arts in Verona and has toured the United States as a collaborative pianist for

renowned instrumentalists. Or loff is currently director of the summer chamber music program at the ldyllwild Arts Festival.



William Preucil

Sponsored by Richard A. Peterson, M.D. William Preucil is Concertmaster of the Cleveland Orchestra. Prior to joining the orchestra, Preucil performed for seven seasons as first violinist of the renowned Cleveland Quartet. As a member of the quartet, he performed more than 100

concerts each year in the world's major music capitals. He recorded the complete cycle of Beethoven's seventeen string quartets, as well as a variety of chamber works by Haydn. Mozart, Schubert, and Brahms. Actively involved as an educator, Preucil currently teaches at the Cleveland Institute of Music and is a member of the artistic advisory board for the Interlochen Center for the Arts in Michigan.

### Featured Artists



#### Jane Marla Robbins

Sponsored by Mid-State Bank In 1995, Ms. Robbins was commissioned by the Kennedy Center in Washington D.C. to create the one-woman play, Reminiscences of Mozart by His Sister. It was so well received that she was invited to perform it in New York at Lincoln Center's Avery Fisher Hall. Ms. Robbins' writing credits include: Dear Nobody: the play Bats in the Belfry:

Norman and the Killer, for public television station KCET; and a self-help book "Being Yourself: The Role Of A Lifetime: Acting Techniques For Everyday Life."



#### Hector Vasquez

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Baritone Hector Vasquez is a native of
California and has appeared both nationally and internationally as a soloist in
concert repertoire and opera. Recently he
has appeared with the Santa Fe Chamber
Music Festival, the San Francisco Opera,
and the Houston Grand Opera. In 1995,

Vasquez made his Metropolitan Opera debut and returned to the MET for his third season in January 1997. He has also appeared with the San Francisco Symphony, Los Angeles Philharmonic and at music festivals in Aspen. Ojai, Sante Fe and Carmel. Hector appeared in *Don Giovanni* with The Mozart Festival in 1995 and the lead role in Garry Eister's Moby Dick. He was also a soloist for the Cuesta Master Chorale's acclaimed presentation of "Carmina Burana."



#### The San Francisco Saxophone Quartet

Sponsored by Timothy S. Haueter They were discovered on the streets of San Francisco by a record company executive. The rest, as the saying goes, is history. They released their first recording, Tails of the City, in 1991, to rave

reviews. They have released four CDs, including the latest, Straight From The Street. They have touted most of the 50 United States and in the Far East. Yet for all their success, you can still find them most Thursday. Friday and Saturday afternoons playing where they started on the sidewalks of San Francisco.



#### John Schneider

Schneider is an internationally recognized guitarist, composer, author and broadcaster whose weekly television and radio programs have brought the sounds of the guitar into millions of homes for the past fifteen years. He has performed in Europe, Japan and America, and on NPR's "Performance Today." His recordings include Music

for Guitar & Percussion by Lou Harrison; Just West Coast: Microtonal Music for Guitar and Harp; and Range of Light by Sasha Matson.



#### The Streicher Trio

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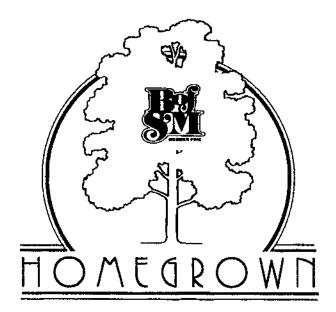
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In 1997, Weiss, along with George
Thomson, Anthony Martin and
Leighton Fong, formed the Berkeley
Schubert Quartet to honor Schubert's



#### Bruce Morgenthaler

Principal Bass
Sponsored by Dr. and Mrs. Jerren Jorgensen
Bruce Morgenthaler regularly performs
with the Los Angeles Chamber Orchestra,
the Music Center Opera and the Pasadena
Symphony. He has appeared with such
groups as Chamber Music L.A., the Los
Angeles Bach Festival and the chamber
music group, Xtet. He works extensively

in Hollywood movie and TV studio orchestras.



#### Michael Nowak

Principal Viola
Sponsored by Clifford Holser
Conductor and music director of the
San Luis Obispo County Symphony,
Michael Nowak started his musical
training in the public school system in
Rhode Island where he learned to play
violin, clarinet and tuba. At Indiana
University, he met the great violist and
teacher, William Primrose, who
inspired him to devote his musical

career to the viola. He has been an assistant conductor and violist with the Dallas Symphony, conductor of the Young Musicians Foundation Debut Orchestra in Los Angeles, and conductor of the Monterey Chamber Orchestra.



#### Christina Soule

Principal Cello Sponsored by Robert and Linda Takken In addition to a busy schedule as a motion picture and television recording musician, Christina Soule has been principal cello with the Mozart Festival for 17 seasons. She has played with Chamber Ensemble Archwood, the Hollywood Bowl Orchestra, the Los Angeles Philharmonic and the Los Angeles Mozart Orchestra Chamber Players.



#### Geraldine Rotella

Principal Flute
Sponsored by The Hetzel Family
Geraldine Rotella has been principal
flute with the Mozart Festival Orchestra
for 17 years. She is also principal flute
with the Los Angeles Master Chorale, the
American Ballet Theatre and the
Symphony in the Glen. She plays piccolo
and first flute with the Pasadena

Symphony and Pacific Symphony. Besides being active in the classical music field, she is busy recording in movie studios. She has also recorded with Natalie Cole, Barbra Streisand, Gloria Estefan, Frank Sinatra and the late Ella Fitzgerald.



#### John Ellis

Principal Oboe
Sponsored by Dawna Davies
and David Wong
The idea of holding a Mozart Festival in
San Luis Obispo can mostly be credited to
John Ellis, who has been the principal
oboist since the first year. He is currently
a member of the Clarion Wind Quintet
and serves as principal oboe of the Hollywood Bowl Orchestra and the Winston-

Salem Symphony. He has recorded with Barbra Streisand, the Carpenters, Diana Ross and John Denver. He was principal oboe with the Pasadena Symphony, Ojai Festival Orchestra, 20th Century Fox, Universal Studios, Warner Brothers, Columbia Studios and RCA.

# Principal Players



David Peck
Principal Clarinet
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Clarinetist David Peck is returning to
the San Luis Obispo Mozart Festival for
the third time. A California native, he is
currently principal clarinetist with the
Houston Symphony Orchestra. As a
member of the Houston Symphony
Chamber Players, he has toured Japan
and Germany and recorded the Mozart

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with the San Luis Obispo Mozart Festival. He has played with Mainly Mozart
Festival of San Diego, toured and
recorded with the San Francisco

Symphony and has performed with the Moscow Chamber Orchestra and the Chamber Orchestra of Europe.



Darren Mulder

Principal Trumpet Sponsored by Wayne and Linda Lewis San Luis Obispo native Darren Mulder is thrilled to be participating in his second Mozart Festival. Darren plays second trumpet in the L.A. Chamber Orchestra. Just recently, he returned from Spoleto, playing with the Two World Orchestra in the largest Art Festival in Italy. He has also played with the L.A. Opera, Santa

Barbara Symphony and the Long Beach Symphony.



Andrew Malloy

Principal Trombone'
Sponsored by Yvonne Dengler
A Mozart Festival participant since
1981, Malloy is a member of the Pasa
dena and Santa Barbara Symphonies
and the Crown City Brass Quinter. As a
free-lance musician, he has performed
with many ensembles in the Los
Angeles area, including the Los Angeles
Philharmonic, the Los Angeles
Chamber Orchestra and the Hollywood
Bowl Orchestra. His film credits include

Dances with Wolves, Hook, Schindler's List, Jurassic Park and Nixon.



Theresa Dimond

Timpani

Sponsored by Alan and Jo Ann Bickel Dimond has performed at the Academy Awards, and with Pierre Boulez and the Los Angeles Philharmonic on the cymbalom, a unique Hungarian folk instrument. She is one of three people in Los Angeles and only a handful in the country who play this instrument. Dr. Dimond is currently on the faculties of USC, Cerritos College, Pomona College and U.C. Irvine.



Peter Nowlen

Principal Horn In 1996. Peter Nowlen was appointed co-principal horn of the Sacramento Chamber Orchestra. He has also performed as principal horn of the Orchestra Internazionale di Italia, performing in many of Italy's finest theaters and festivals, as well as recording for the Alfa Records label. As a chamber musician. Nowlen performs regularly with the CSU Sacramento.

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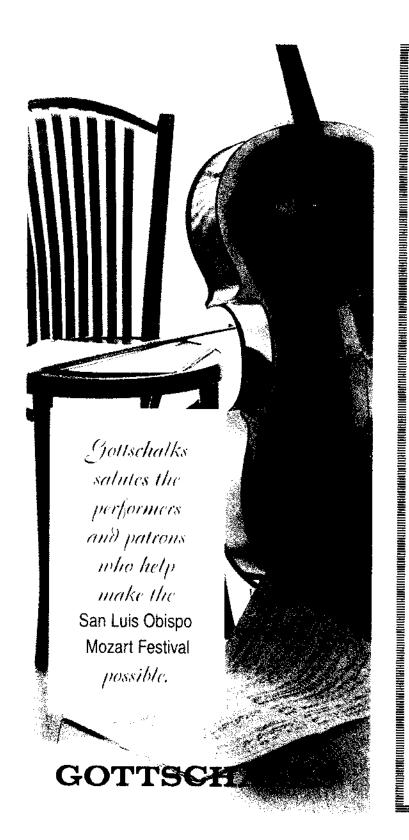
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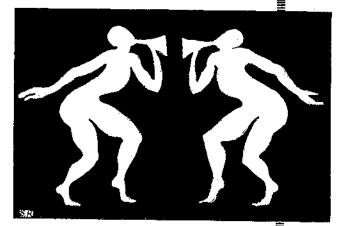
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#### Music & Science in the Age of Mozart

(Monday, July 21, 8:00pm) Amy Graziano

Amy Graziano is currently a post-doctoral research fellow in music cognition at the University of California, Irvine, where she conducts research on the relationship between music and spatial-temporal reasoning in young children. She is also an instructor for the UCI University Extension program and is on the piano faculty of the Irvine Conservatory of Music.



#### For Franz's Friends: Schubert Songs and Nasty Publishers (Friday, July 25, 4:00pm)

Maria Jette

Maria Jette's career encompasses a variety of musical styles, from the Baroque era through world premieres, and intimate recitals and chamber music through the concert hall and operatic stage. A resident of Minneapolis-St.

Paul, she appears regularly with the renowned St. Paul Chamber Orchestra. Her operatic roles cover a broad range, both in style and character, including Handel's Cleopatra. Purcell's Dido, Monteverdi's Poppea, as well as Fiordiligi in Mozart's Così Fan Tutte.



#### Mozart's Ornamentation (Sunday, July 27, 1:00pm) Sergio Siminovich Mary Rawcliffe

Sergio Siminovich is a specialist in authentic performance of 17th and 18th century choral and instrumental music. A native of Argen-

tina, Mr. Siminovich has directed the Centro Italiano di Musica Antica in Rome since 1979. His recordings include cantatas by Dietrich Buxtehude, the Requiem of Giovanni Benedetto Platti, and the St. John Passion of Heinrich Schütz. Mary Rawcliffe has appeared as soloist with the Los Angeles Philharmonic Orchestra, the Boston, Denver. Utah, and Phoenix Symphonies. She has also performed with the Philharmonia Baroque Orchestra, the Italian Early Music Center Orchestra of Rome, London Bach Society, the Roger Wagner Chorale, and the Los Angeles Master Chorale. She teaches Historical Vocal Techniques at USC and is a member of the Cal Poly music faculty.



### The Hiddem Life & Music of Jahannes Brahms

(Monday, July 28, 8:00pm) Dr. David Nivans

Dr. David Nivans took his Ph.D in Musicology from the University of California. Los Angeles in 1992. Dr. Nivans teaches music history, appreciation. harmony, counterpoint, fundamentals

and the histories of jazz, rock and popular music. He is currently writing a book on the structural form and harmony of Brahms.

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#### Garry Eister

Garry Éister's compositions have been performed by the Cleveland Chamber Symphony, the USC New Music Ensemble, and the Synchronia New Music Ensemble of St. Louis. As a composer/performer, Eister has toured Europe four times with Daniel Lentz and his ensembles. Presently, he teaches at Allan Hancock College and works as an artist-in-residence for the Santa

Barbara County Schools, teaching folk songs and general music to elementary school children.

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July 21-25, 10:00am – Room 218 of the Cal Poly Music Building



#### Craig Russell

Craig Russell has been on sabbatical for most of this year, and has spent it delving into Mexican cathedral archives completing his edition of the gargantuan Matins for Our Lady of Guadalupe (1764) by Ignacio de Jerusalem. The acclaimed choir Chanticleer recorded Russell's edition of this work at Skywalker Ranch in June, and it will be released on the Teldec label.



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### The Mozart Festival Choral Tradition

ozart, the universal composer, was an avid composer for voices. Whether it was church music, opera, or vocal chamber music written in earnest or in jest, Mozart wrote it. And it would be a strange festival of Mozart that did not include some of his greatest music in each of these genres.

From the very beginning, the San Luis Obispo Mozart Festival established an excellent choral tradition. In fact, the incredibly rich choral tradition that exists today in this community can be traced back, in part, to the first Mozart Festival chorus. After several years of gathering and disbanding each summer, local singers resolved to form an organization that would sing year-round. Under Gary Lamprecht's splendid guidance, the San Luis Obispo Vocal Arts Ensemble was established. In the early 80's, Dr. Thomas and Susan Davies (then students at USC) joined the Mozart Festival chorus, introducing them to the San Luis Obispo music scene, leading to positions in the Music Department of Cal Poly and subsequent establishment of the Cuesta Master Chorale.

Founded by John Russell, current Chair of the Cal Poly Music Department, the Mozart Festival Singers brought all of Mozart's major choral works to life in the San Luis Obispo Mission for 8 years. Visiting conductor Ted Flath of San Francisco conducted the chorus in 1979, and Christopher Hogwood conducted a memorable performance of Mozart's Coronation Mass in 1984.

From 1980 until 1991, the Festival Chorus was conducted by Dr. Timothy Mount, presently the head of the choral program at University of New York at Stoney Brook. Under his direction, the Festival Singers grew dramatically and performed a wide range of choral music including all of Mozart's great works, masses by Bach and Haydn, and a wide variety of chamber concerts.

After a brief period of reorganization while the Festival implemented complete performances of Mozart's operas, the Mozart Festival proudly announces that the Festival Chorus is back doing more than opera choruses! Under Dr. Thomas Davies' inspired direction, the Festival presented a tremendously successful performance of early California and Mexican church music last year. Most of the program consisted of works which hadn't been heard since the 18th century. Again this year, the Festival Chorus will present a similar program in the historic atmosphere of the San Miguel and San Luis Obispo Missions. And the full Festival Chorus will be in place Tuesday, July 22, to perform Mozart's most ambitious and appreciated work, the Mass in C minor, K. 427, in our new venue, the Christopher Cohan Performing Arts Center!

### Backstage Faces

The Festival would like to achnowledge and extend a special thank you to the stage managers and technical wizards Thor Larsen, Steve Moore, and David Shade. Year after year these dedicated individuals return to perform their behind the scenes' magic to assure that every concert is flawlessly executed. Without their expertise and commitment to excellence, the Festival would not be the success it is today.



#### David Shade

Technical Manager for the Mozart Festival since 1972, David Shade coordinates various activities providing needed equipment for concerts and rehearsals. Backstage he responds to such emergencies as a fire alarm triggered by a smoke generator during an opera performance or lending a tooth brush to bassist Edgar Meyer before a winery concert. David is a Quality Engineer for

Hewlett-Packard Company in Boise, Idaho and an alumnus of the Cal Poly Chamber Orchestra.



#### Steve Moore

Starting with the Festival in 1989, Steve (SAM) Moore continues to return year after year as Stage Managet. A Cal Poly graduate in Speech Communication, his interests have always been in music and theatre. Once the Festival began performing Mozart Operas, Sam was in heaven. He is especially looking forward to working with Garry Eister on this

year's world premiere of "The Glass Harmonica." SAM now lives in Kansas City, Missouri and he works at the Kansas City Art Institute.



#### Thor Larsen

Thor is one of our three stage managers. He transferred from Santa Rosa Junior College in the summer of 1991 to work on a degree in Civil Engineering. After taking his first music class at Cal Poly, he realized where he wanted to involve his learning energies. After finishing his B.A. in Music he decided more education was in order. He is currently a graduate student of business at Cal Poly. Thor has been

with the Festival for 5 years. During the non-Mozart season Thor acts as the stage manager for the San Luis Obispo County Symphony. When not at school, Thor occupies his time with cycling and swimming and often combines these two recreations in triathlons.

# Program Notes

#### Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart Symphony No. 27, in G Major, K. 199 (161b) (ca. 1773)

During the 1770s, symphonies were not yet the central, substantial works they would become in just a little while. They still showed their derivation from the operatic sinfonia, or overture, and they were used mostly as openers and closers for concerts whose principal fare consisted of other types. It was not uncommon, in fact, for such a piece to be adapted for both concert and operatic use.

As with others of Mozart's Salzburg works, the specific occasion for K. 199 remains unknown, and even its exact date. Its spirited first movement, however, is a finely wrought miniature sonata form and its especially attractive Andantino grazioso, featuring the flute, is one of those operatic-type airs generally performed under the heroine's balcony. The finale then opens with some of the not-to-betaken-seriously counterpoint which was popular at the time (a little fugato, in fact, based on the first movement's theme) before winding up as a jolly jig.

#### Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart Concerto No. 4, in E-flat Major, for Horn and Orchestra, K. 495 (1786)

The name of Joseph Leutgeb has appeared before in these pages as the superlative horn player and lifelong friend for whom Mozart composed all his horn concertos, a quintet, and many special parts in symphonies and operas. The two were close not only as musicians but also as fellow Salzburgians who shared (mostly in private) the unbuttoned Salzburg brand of humor. Mozart thus inscribed his first horn concerto (published later as No. 2) to "Leutgeb, ass, ox, and simpleton" and copied out his second (the present work, published as No. 4) in an amusing variety of colored inks — black, red, blue, and green.

Mozart also filled the first movement with musical jokes intended to suggest that Leutgeb was the same amiable bufloon in music that he was in person (which he wasn't, as Mozart well knew). First, the

horn comes in too soon, "helping" the orchestra to finish its introductory section. Then, when it really is his turn he takes the "wrong" theme, the oboes' slow melody instead of the violins' lively one. Finally, after the cadenza when he's supposed to be through, the horn bumbles in again to "help" the orchestra finish the movement. The slow movement, by contrast, is much more serious, "testing the soloist severely, both spiritually and physically" (Roger Hellyer), while the finale is a rollicking hunting-horn rondo.

#### Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart Serenade No.9 in D Major ("The Posthorn"), K. 320 (1779)

Leutgeb almost certainly figured in the famous "Posthorn" Serenade, too, for he was first hornist in Salzburg when it was composed and he was living in Vienna when Mozart revived the piece there. The posthorn itself was a small, coiled, high-pitched horn without valves used by mail coach drivers and guards to announce arrivals and departures. Its employment in concert music (where it would be played by a regular orchestral hornist) was for colorful or amusing effects and it was surprisingly recurring: Bach, Telemann, and Handel, among others, had already written for the posthorn, and Beethoven. Schubert, and Mahler would do so later.

Mozart got a lot of mileage from this very successful serenade and he merrily played mix-and-match with its nine movements. On one occasion, for example, he presented the two concerted movements separately as concertantes (Concertante and Rondeau) and on another he gave the three principal movements as a symphony ("Adagio; Allegro," "Andantino," and "Finale"). The opening and closing marches, furthermore, were always written on separate sheets so as to be available for other uses, and these two ended up getting a separate Köechel listing as K. 335. Of special interest is the grandiose second minuet, each of whose trios features an unusual instrument, the piccolo and, of course, the posthorn.

# Opening Concert

Friday, July 18, 1997, 8:00 PM Performing Arts Center • Cal Poly

Clifton Swanson, Conductor Lowell Greer, Horn Soloist

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart .......Symphony No. 27, in G Major, K. 199 (161b) (1756-1791)

Allegro Andantino grazioso Presto

Allegro moderato Romanza: Andante Rondo: Allegro vivace

Lowell Greer, Hornist

#### INTERMISSION

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart ...... Serenade No. 9 in D Major ("Posthorn"), K. 320 Marcia

Adagio maestoso: Allegro con spirito Menuetto: Trio Concertante: Andante grazioso Rondeau: Allegro ma non troppo Andantino Menuetto: Trio I, II

Menuetto; Trio Finale: Presto

*Note:* All of the instruments used in this evening's performance are period instruments, and instead of the modern tuning of a' = 440 cycles per second the orchestra is tuned to a' = 430.

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### Turtle Island

Saturday, July 19, 8:00PM Music Under the Stars Concert Martin Brothers Winery

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The program will also feature the Turtle Island String Quartet members' own compositions, which integrate jazz, Western classical, American fiddle styles, rock, rhythm & blues and Indian classical music.

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Robert Schumann (ar (1810-1856)	r. R.A. Smith) Romance in F-sharp Major
Billy Strayhorn (arr. D (1915-1967)	Pavid Schrader) Take the "A" Train
George Gershwin (arı (1898-1937)	: R.A. Smith) Allegro from Piano Concerto in F Major
Wolfgang Amadeus Michael Kamen	Mozart (arr. SFSQ)Allegro vivace assai from Quartet No. 14, in G Major, K. 387 Scherzo from <i>Jack</i>
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Felix Mendelssohn (a (1809-1847)	rr. SFSQ)Allegro from String Symphony No. 7
Johann Ernst Bach (a (1722-1777)	rr. SFSQ)Largo and Allegro from Sonata in F Major
Michael Torke (b. 1961)	July
Wolfgang Amadeus (1756-1791)	Mozart (arr. SFSQ) Allegro from Quartet No. 15, in D minor, K.421
The Well-Tempered ( (1685-1750)	ch (arr. Steven Malinowsky) Prelude No. 22, from Clavier, Book II

# Program Notes

#### Antonio Vivaldi Concerto in B minor for Four Violins and Orchestra, Op. 3, No. 10 (publ. 1711)

When the concerto collection called *L'estro armonio* ("Harmonic Fancies"). Opus 3, was published in 1711, it immediately established Antonio Vivaldi as the brilliant new leader of progressive concerto style. Musicians everywhere were fascinated by his incisive themes, his imaginative, exciting rhythmic patterns, and his enriched yet crystal-clear forms. Even Bach was impressed and he paid Vivaldi the ultimate compliment (as it was then considered) of rearranging for other combinations no less than six examples. Among the most renowned—both before and afterwas this one. Vivaldi's B minor for four violins which became Bach's A minor concerto for four harpsichords.

#### Heinrich Ignaz Franz von Biber Partia [Partita] No. 6 from Harmonie artificiosa-ariosa (publ. 1712)

When Biber's Harmonie artificiosa-ariosa was published posthumously in 1712, by contrast, it looked to the past, not the future. A Bohemian who spent his career in Salzburg (ennobled in 1690), Biber was the finest violinist of the seventeenth century. He would soon be forgotten, however, because his excellent music led in directions which the mainstream didn't (or couldn't) follow. His ideas were peculiarly elaborate and uninhibited, his special effects were intrinsic, not decorative, and he treated the violin as a polyphonic instrument. His brilliant trios could actually include five-part counterpoint, with each violin carrying two lines over an active bass.

#### Johann Sebastian Bach Concerto in D minor for Two Violins and Orchestra, BWV 1043 (ca. 1720)

Unlike some of his concertos. Bach's celebrated "Double" was an original, not a remake. It was composed at the Court of Cöthen, where Bach and his young musical Prince were close, and it's tempting to wonder—sentimentally, at least—whether the solo

parts were intended for the two of them. If so, the Prince was certainly as good as advertised, and it would remind us, too, that Bach himself was a capable violinist and not just a keyboardist. We'll probably never know, but the concerto's attractive themes, engaging interplay between the instruments, and radiant slow movement make it a universal favorite.

#### Georg Muffat Sonata V, from Armonico tributo (1682)

Georg Muffat was an organist/composer who served in Passau and Salzburg and was acquainted with Biber. Their music, however, was miles apart. As an Alsatian-born German of Scottish descent who had studied with Lully in Paris and Corelli in Rome, Muffat saw his role as bringing international resources to German music. The title of Muffat's first published set. *Armonico tributo*, referred to Corelli, whose influence is most evident in the Adagios. Like most of Muffat's dance movements, however, the Allamanda of Sonata V has a French touch, while the Passacaglia frankly employs Lully's theme-restatement technique.

#### Johann Sebastian Bach "Brandenburg" Concerto No. 4, in G Major, for Violin, Two Recorders, and Orchestra, BWV 1049 (ca. 1718)

It has long been established that the "Brandenburg" Concertos comprise previously composed works collected together in 1721 and sent, on invitation, for the approval of the Margrave of Brandenburg. No. 4 was probably next-to-last in actual composition, and in it Bach took Vivaldi's ideas to the next level. The texture is denser than Vivaldi's, the structural working-out more intense, and the demands on the players similarly greater. Vivaldi's multiple soloists idea, moreover, has now grown into a sophisticated amalgam: a solo concerto for violin and a concerto grosso for violin and two recorders all at once.

# Festival Baroque Ensemble

#### Sunday, July 20, 1997, 7:30 PM Chapel Hill, Shandon

Antonio Vivaldi ... Concerto in B minor for Four Violins and Orchestra, Op. 3, No. 10 (1678-1741)

Allegro-Largo-Allegro

Heinrich Ignaz Franz von Biber ...... Partia [Partita] No. 6, from Harmonie artificiosa-ariosa (1644-1704)

Praeludium-Aria e variatio-Finale

Johann Sebastian Bach ......Concerto in D minor for Two Violins and Orchestra, BWV 1043 (1685-1750)

Vivace-Largo ma non tanto-Allegro

#### INTERMISSION

Allessandro Scarlatti ..... Sinfonie No. 5 in D minor (1660-1725)

Spiritoso e staccato-Adagio-Allegro-Adagio-Allegro assai

Allamanda-Adagio-Fuga-Adagio-Passacaglia

Johann Sebastian Bach ... "Brandenburg" Concerto No. 4, in G Major, for Violin, Two Recorders, and

Orchestra, BWV 1049

Allegro-Andante-Presto

Elizabeth Blumenstock, violin and viola Kati Kyme, violin and viola Anthony Martin, violin and viola Carla Moore, violin Lisa Weiss, violin Lisa Grodin, viola Sarah Freiberg, violoncello Michelle Burr, bass Judith Linsenberg, recorder Roxanne Layton, recorder Charles Sherman, harpsichord

Note: As with the Opening Concert, this evening's performance is given entirely on period instruments. These pieces are from an even earlier period than the opening concert, however. The ensemble is smaller, reflecting what was commonly available at the time, and the tuning is even lower, around a' = 415.

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# Program Notes

#### Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart Concert Aria: "Ch'io mi scordi di te," K. 505 (1786)

Pretty, plump, talented, and vivacious, Italian/English soprano Anna (Nancy) Storace was also among the few singers in Vienna whose thorough musicianship led her to be accepted as a colleague by the leading composers and instrumentalists. The famous, informal "quartet evenings" were held at her house—Haydn, Dittersdorf, Mozart, and Vanhal (a good Bohemian composer), with Paisiello kibitzing—and she and her brother Stephen were regulars at the Mozarts'. Nancy was the original Susanna in Figaro and she also recruited pupils for Mozart.

Not surprisingly, some have looked for something juicy in this relationship but the facts are otherwise. The Emperor had designs on flirtatious Nancy (apparently unwanted), injecting a political element which meant that in the end nobody did anything. It was just a warm friendship and then, sadly, it was over. In December of 1786 Nancy and company would leave Vienna for projects elsewhere, including promoting Mozart in England. Mozart therefore composed this lovely scena as a farewell present, to an appropriate text by Varesco: "You ask me to forget you?... Ah no, life would be worse than death." Also appropriately, there were two soloists, Ms. Storace and an obbligato pianist who was, of course, Mozart himself.

#### Ludwig Van Beethoven Concerto No. 4, in G Major, for Piano and Orchestra, Opus 58 (1808)

By turns dramatic and lyric, reflecting its co-genesis with the fifth and sixth symphonies, Beethoven's beautiful Fourth Piano Concerto suffered immediate neglect after its premiere. Partly it was eclipsed by the "Emperor" Concerto, but it also fell victim to a strangely misguided preoccupation with Beethoven's performance style. All agreed that his lyric playing was truly incomparable, but opinion had become contentious over his Allegro passages ("too fast, too loud, and much too bruising and combative" went the complaint). Mendelssohn revived the work briefly in 1836, but it would be another century before Artur Schnabel brought it back to stay.

That this is a work of contrasts is announced immediately when the piano begins unexpectedly and alone with a bit of the main theme. The orchestra then retaliates by trying to drag the music off to the distant key of B major, and while the dispute is soon resolved it imparts a lingering tension which jump-starts both the drama and the contrasting lyricism. A similar contrast between a forbidding orchestral motive and the piano's tender replies also propels the famous second movement to a big climax and an elegiac conclusion, which then leads without pause into the exuberant finale.

#### Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart Mass in Cminor, K. 427 (1783)

In 1781 Mozart became acquainted in depth with the music of Bach. It caused a major crisis. The issue, however, was not counterpoint, as commonly asserted — Mozart already knew academic counterpoint — but counterpoint which meant something, counterpoint which was part of a larger conception of texture as a fundamental element of musical expression and structure. This had been Bach's special province but it was a concept quite foreign to late-century galant style. Mozart determined to make it otherwise, for he literally couldn't rest if there were anything musical he hadn't conquered and reinterpreted for himself.

This was the real issue behind the Mass in C minor, and not just fulfilling a private vow as Mozart suggested in a letter. It's probably why the work was never finished, too, for it took Mozart longer than he expected to master Bach's concept. Not only is the "Agnus" missing, and the second half of the "Credo," but also the stylistic consistency Mozart wanted: The "Qui tollis" and "Hosanna" still sound a lot like Bach, while the "Et incarnatus" is definitely operatic. Despite all this, the Mass in C minor remains gloriously affecting and almost our only glimpse of Mozart still at work.

### Festival Orchestra & Chorus

Tuesday, July 22, 1997, 8:00 PM Performing Arts Center • Cal Poly

Jeffrey Kahane, Conductor Thomas Davies, Conductor of The Festival Chorus Maria Jette, Soporano Jon Kimura Parker, Pianist

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart ...... Concert Aria: "Ch'io mi scordi di te," K. 505 (1756-1791)

Maria Jette, Soprano Jon Kimura Parker, Pianist

Ludwig van Beethoven ... Concerto No. 4, in G Major, for Piano and Orchestra, Opus 58 (1770-1827)

Allegro moderato Andante con moto Rondo: Vivace\*

Jon Kimura Parker, Pianist

\*The final two movements are performed without pause.

#### INTERMISSION

Kyrie Gloria Credo [fragment] Sanctus Benedictus

> Maria Jette, Soprano Cynthia Lohman, Soprano Jonathan Mack, Tenor Hector Vasquez, Baritone

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# Program Notes

#### Béla Bartók. Sonata for Two Pianos and Percussion (1937)

The Sonata for Two Pianos and Percussion was a product of Bartók's final, mature creative period. The intensive folk music studies of his early period and the experimental (sometimes intensely experimental) aspects of his middle period had now been sorted, refined, and selectively amalgamated into a contained and confident style. It's a strong style, to be sure, often dissonant and certainly rhythmic, but it's a style in which the careful listener will never feel lost. The music has flow and the melodic ideas, though more often short and punchy than lyrical, are easily recognized. The harmony is founded on secure tonal centers (two at once in the (irst movement), and the overall forms have been reduced to Classical simplicity; a basic two-theme sonata type, an ABA, and a rondo. What hasn't been pared down is sound. This piece is a treasure chest of combinations and colors, standing almost alone in this regard among major concert pieces. Not only does Bartók combine the percussion and piano sounds in imaginative ways, even in counterpoint, he also gives solo passages to the percussion instruments. One of the longer melodies in the piece, indeed, is the rondo's main theme, and it's first presentation is given to the xylophone.

#### Franz Peter Schubert Rondo in A Major, D.951 (1828)

Most of Schubert's four-hand piano works were originally composed to be played with friends at the musical evenings which came to be known as "Schubertiads," but the situation is less certain regarding the pieces of Schubert's last year. There are some indications, in fact, that the delightful Rondo in A Major may have been intended to become the finale of a sonata. What is certain is that contemporary analysts love to use this rondo as "Exhibit A" to show that however Romantic Schubert's "sound" might have become, his basic thinking was still Classical. That's because the real engine of classical structure was not the themes so much as the underlying scheme of chords and keys. and because in this piece Schubert adopted the bold and distinctive scheme of the finale to Beethoven's Sonata in E Minor, Opus 90. You'd scarcely know it, though. Musical form does much of its work subliminally, and this piece is so filled with agreeably Schubertian melodies and with his characteristic, finely wrought details, that you'd almost have to hear the two works side by side to realize that the one had indeed sprung from the other.

#### George Gershwin An American in Paris (1928)

It seems so silly now the outright hostility which used to exist between proponents of different kinds of music. Now, there's jazz at the Mozart Festival—and that jazz might contain references to Schubert or the Dorian mode. In the twenties, however, there was tension, and very few people who wanted to do anything about it. One who did was band leader Paul Whiteman. Whiteman worked both sides of the street, introducing a wider audience to concert music by "popularizing" it, and looking for a composer who could introduce jazz elements into classical style. George Gershwin was his man. Together they did *Rhapsody in Bluc.* whose success was so great that it shook loose a commission from Walter Damrosch and the New York Philharmonic for *An American in Paris*.

The subject of the piece and that fact that it was largely composed in the city of Paris are both appropriate. Paris was the center for new music between the wars and the place where concert musicians first took a serious interest in jazz. Not only did Gershwin receive encouragement for his work, but the acceptance of jazz by European musicians, ironically enough, helped to "legitimize" that work here at home.

### Two Piano Recital

Wednesday, July 23, 1997, 8:00 PM Performing Arts Center · Cal Poly

#### Jeffrey Kahane, Jon Kimura Parker, Pianists Kenneth Watson, Tom Raney, Percussionists

Béla Bartók Sonata for Two Pianos and Percussion
(1881-1945)

Allegro molto
Lento ma non troppo
Allegro non troppo

INTERMISSION

Franz Peter Schubert Rondo in A Major, D.951
(1797-1828)

George Gershwin An American in Paris
(1898-1937)

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# Serenade, Anyone?

t could have been billed as the battle of the century: The orchestra blustered off with Tchaikovsky's B-flat minor concerto, the piano smashed in with the Grieg, and the war was on. Back and forth the battle raged to the bitter end, with the protagonists even fighting over who got to detonate the last "boom, boom, boom." Finally, the conductor's baton broke in two, rendering him unable to continue, and the piano won with a barely audible "plink."

It all really happened, too, but as you've probably guessed by now, it was just a gag, an elaborately staged charade. The scene was the 1955 Hoffnung Music Festival in England, where the cartoonist whose gentle spoofs of music and musicians have been loved the world over, Gerard Hoffnung, was being honored with a festival where everything went askew like his cartoons. What made it especially funny was how true it wasn't: The musicians involved, top professionals all, were also all good friends, and the kindly honoree was beloved by everyone. Although it may not have looked like it on the surface, the whole affair was actually a serenade in reverse.

By showing us what music isn't, such a dramatization-like Hoffnung's cartoons—reminds us all the more of what music is, and it came to mind because the 1997 Festival could certainly be characterized as the year of the concerted piece (for soloist[s] and group) and the year of the serenade. Let's start with the serenades. There are four which are called such, the "Posthorn" (Opening Concert), Brahms's Second (July 26 Orchestra), Mozart's for Thirteen Instruments, and Dvorák's in D minor (both July 27 at Chapel Hill). Besides these, moreover, there are other pieces and movements of pieces which partake in some way of the serenade spirit, from the slow movements of Mozart's Symphony in G (Opening Concert) and Brahms's Violin Concerto (July 29 Orchestra) to the little scena Mozart wrote for Nancy Storace (July 22 Orchestra and Chorus). And after that, where do you stop? How about the "Haydn Variations" (July 29) or parts of Faurè's Violin Sonata (July 30 Chamber) or most any piece by Schubert?

This also ties in with its being the year of the concerted piece, for besides concertos themselves—of which there will be nine, including the world premiere of Leo Eylar's (July 26)—serenades are another genre which typically uses the soloist/group idea. Add to this, moreover, Garry Eister's new opera *The Glass Harmonica* (August 1), Mozart's Mass in C minor (July 22) and others of the vocal works, Bartók's Sonata for Two Pianos and Percussion (July 23) which got turned into a concerto, and the jazz-related performances, and you have to squint to find the pieces that *don't* partake of either the concertato or the serenade.

So now we're back to our little dramatization, for the occasional ego aside, we all know that this isn't how it's done. In music, the contrast between individual and group is basically a texture thing. It can be used in many different ways to add variety and interest to the music, and it appears to go back to the beginning of time. To make it happen, however—even in passages which seem to pit soloist and orchestra against each other for musical effect, like some in Beethoven's Fourth Piano Concerto (July 22)—the performers actually have to work together like best friends, which at this Festival they usually are. In a very real and positive sense, they're performing not only for us but also for one another, a process which begins in the rehearsal before you and I are even around.

Call it another aspect of the serenade spirit, if you will, but it was the lifeblood of Schubert, whose bicentennial we celebrate this year; dear to the heart of Brahms, the centennial of whose death we honor; and a way of life for Mozart, Haydn, and their friends. You can even feel it in Nannerl's recollections of her famous little brother (Jane Marla Robbins, July 25), for this, truly, is the spirit of the 1997 Mozart Festival.

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### South American Harp

Wednesday, July 23, 1997, 8:00 PM Atascadero Lake Pavilion

#### ALFREDO ROLANDO ORTIZ Alfredo Rolando Ortiz Joropo Azul, joropo Azul, joropo Atardecer (Sunset), guarania Theme from Music for a Birth, traditional, Argentina (Originally improvised in the delivery room during the birth of his second daughter, Michelle, December 31, 1980) Traditional Pasaje Numero Uno, Venezuela Alfredo Rolando Ortiz ....... Otro Carnavalito (Another Carnavalito) Perez Freire ...... Ay Ay Ay, Chile INTERMISSION "Serenata" Traditional ...... La Enredadera (The Climbing Plant), pasillo, Colombia Si Quedara Sin Ti (If I Ever Lost You), guarania Hugo Blanco (attr.) Moliendo Cafe (Grinding Coffee), Venezuela Titles to be announced... perhaps Title to be announced

Bambuco is a music genre from Colombia, while the pasillo is common to Colombia and Ecuador. The galopa and guarania are from Paraguay, and the joropo and pasaje are traditional harp musics from the plains of Venezuela and Colombia. Carnavalito is a lively music present in several countries in the Andeau region. The second half of the program is dedicated to our beautiful tradition of the Serenata, or serenade. Coming to us from Spain centuries ago, the serenade remains a very important part of our culture. The traditional serenata consists of romantic music played late at night by the window of a woman. The songs are selected to express the feelings of the person offering the serenade, and they may also include any favorite song. But our serenatas are also used to celebrate friendship, happy occasions, or even just for the fun of it!

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#### Luigi Boccherini Sonata No. 4, in D Major (ca. 1768)

Boccherini was a 'cellist, and it was in this capacity that he burst onto the international scene in 1768 by scoring a brilliant triumph with the violinist Filippo Manfredi at the Concerts Spirituel in Paris. After this he was in such demand that all the Paris publishers rushed to solicit his compositions. Boccherini then served as chamber composer to King Carlos III of Spain and court composer to 'cello-playing Friedrich Wilhelm II of Prussia. As a composer Boccherini was famed in his own time for chamber music, especially his more than 150 quintets, and in modern times for his 'Cello Concerto in B-flat, Almost overlooked are his sonatas, which scholars are still sorting out but which present a characteristically suave style combined with the imaginative string technique one would expect from a virtuoso.

#### Helene Liebmann Grande Sonata for Pianoforte and Violoncelle, Opus 11 (publ. 1806)

Helene Liebmann is a newly discovered composer about whom very little is known. Just two pieces have been found, the present work and a piano sonata, both published in Berlin at the beginning of the nineteenth century. This sonata for 'cello and piano displays a considerable degree of both musicality and technical skill, a slightly behind-the-times style similar to Mozart's, and a very progressive equality between the two instruments. The last movement is also especially interesting for being a set of seven variations on the air "La ci darem la mano" from *Don Giovanni*. One hopes that some enterprising musicologist will soon discover more about Helene Liebmann. Was she forgotten because this was her only good piece, because she was a woman, or—like several other worthy composers—simply because of Beethoven's towering presence?

#### Muzio Clementi Sonata in F Major, Op. 27, No. 1 (1791)

Known to piano pupils the world over for his excellent sonatinas. Clementi was an exceptionally versatile composer, piano virtuoso, teacher, music publisher, piano manufacturer, and huckster who settled eventually in London. His informal piano playing contest against Mozart held before Emperor Joseph II in Vienna on Christmas Eve, 1781, has become the stuff of piano lore and legend. The Emperor and his guests politely called the match a draw, but its effect on Clementi was deep and permanent. "I had never heard anyone play with such spirit and grace," he would say later, and his own music improved greatly—in both performance and composition—as he modeled it more and more on Mozart's. The result was that the best of Clementi's efforts in several genres deserve to be remembered along with the sonatinas.

#### Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart Trio in G Major, K. 564 (1788)

The sixth and last of Mozart's piano trios is a bit of a puzzle, for only the string parts of the autograph manuscript are in Mozart's handwriting, with the keyboard part entered by someone else. There is also a solo keyboard part without the strings in Mozart's hand, but it's only a fragment. Some therefore believe that the piece was assembled hastily for a commission, but whatever the case, it was composed in a simpler, more popular style than some of Mozart's others, as if intended for amateurs. There is less use of counterpoint, for example, and the violin and 'cello often double each other in parallel motion. Charm is in plentiful supply, nonetheless, especially in the Andante's lovely variations. For more about the development of the piano trio, see the Streicher Trio's July 25 concert.

### The Streicher Trio

#### Thursday, July 24, 1997, 8:00 PM Trinity Methodist Church · Los Osos

Carla Moore, Violinist Charlene Brendler, Fortepianist Sarah Freiberg, Cellist

#### INTERMISSION

Muzio Clementi (1752-1832)	Sonata in F Major, Op. 27. No. 1
	Adagio; Allegro Andante innocente Finale: Vivace assai
Wolfgang Amadeus (1756-1791)	Mozart Trio in G Major, K. 564
	Allegro Andante Allegretto

Note: The violin used in this performance is by Andreas Hover. Klingenthal, 1760; the 'cello is by William Forster. London, 1774; and the fortepiano is a replica of a fortepiano by Johann Walther, 1795.



#### Antonio de Salazar Vexila Regis prodeunt Aeterna Christi munera (ca. 1685)

Antonio de Salazar served as *macstro de capella* of Puebla Cathedral from 1679 to 1688 and then held the same post at the Mexico City Cathedral for the rest of his life. Though stylistically conservative for its times, his transparent, flowing music contains some of the finest polyphonic writing ever produced in the Americas. Like some of last year's Mission Concert selections, these were discovered at Puebla Cathedral by Dr. Craig Russell. Salazar was also an enthusiastic and gifted teacher. Among his many pupils was Manuel de Sumaya, who succeeded him at the Mexico City Cathedral.

#### Manuel de Sumaya Miserere mei, Deus (Psalm 51) (publ. 1717) Sol-fa de Pedro (1715)

Even though Manuel de Sumaya (also spelled Zumaya) had served as acting maestro during his old teacher's final years of blindness and failing health, he still had to take a series of rigorous examinations before he could accede to the post on a permanent basis. These tests involved both scholarship and musical accomplishment, and the musical part included secular types as well as sacred. Sol-fa de Pedro was one of Sumaya's test pieces. It's a villancico, a very popular Spanish-language type of occasional piece related to the ballata and the romance. Needless to say, Sumaya passed the examinations brilliantly, and pieces like his boldly harmonized Miscrere mei, Deus began appearing in published collections.

#### Juan de Araujo Dixit Dominus (ca. 1678) Aqui aqui Valentones de nombre

Juan de Araujo had an exceptional talent for training singers which served him well. Not only did it provide him employment as a choirmaster—first at Lima Cathedral and then, from 1680, at the cathedral at La Plata (now Sucre), Bolivia—it also ensured that he would always have a good choir on hand to perform his compositions. Though he was a contemporary of Salazar, Araujo's style was livelier and he cultivated polychoral forms for two and even three choirs. These two examples comprise a psalm and a villancico.

#### Lou Harrison Six Sonatas (1934-43)

Turning now from the seventeenth century to the twentieth, Lou Harrison was born in Portland, Oregon, but has made California's Bay Area his base for much of his life. He was the pupil of Henry Cowell, but his musical interests have been even more variegated than his teacher's, ranging from ballet to oriental music to building one-of-a-kind instruments. He has had a lifelong obsession with pitch relations, but contrary to the modern mainstream, he has cultivated this primarily in terms of melody rather than harmony. This evening's selection is transcribed from Six Cembalo [Harpsichord] Sonatas.

#### Mario Castelnuovo-Tedesco Romancero gitano, for Chorus and Guitar, Opus 152 (1951)

Mario Castelnuovo-Tedesco was born in Florence and lived there until 1939, when he joined the ever-growing number of musical refugees from Fascism and Communism living in Los Angeles. In 1946 he became an American citizen. Although he cultivated the grand forms assiduously, his talent showed to best effect in his less pretentious works, in his songs, choral pieces, and miniatures of all kinds. In these, his personal blend of Impressionistic and neo-Classical elements and his flair for finding just the right, evocative little motive or figure create moments which would be lost in a less intimate context.

### Festival Chorus

Thursday, July 24, 1997, 8:15 PM Mission San Miguel Friday, July 25, 1997, 8:15 PM Mission San Luis Obispo

Thomas Davies, Conductor John Schneider, Guitarist Jennifer Sayre, Harpist

Antonio de Salazar (c. 1650-1715) Vexilla Regis prodeunt (c. 1650-1715) Aeterna Christi munera

Manuel de Sumaya Miserere mei, Deus (Psalm 51) (c. 1678-1755) Sol-fa de Pedro

Juan de Araujo Dixit Dominus (1646-1712) Aquí aquí Valentones de nombre

Lou Harrison Six Sonatas (b. 1917)

John Schneider, Guitarist Jennifer Sayre, Harpist

#### INTERMISSION

Mario Castelnuovo-Tedesco . . . . . Romancero gitano, for Chorus and Guitar, Opus 152 (1895-1968)

I Baladilla de los tres ríos

II La guitarra

III El Punal

IV 1. Procesión 2. Paso 3. Saeta

V Memento

VI Baile

VII Crótano

John Schneider, Guitarist

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#### Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart Sonata for Violin, Clavier, and 'Cello in F Major, K.13 (1764)

In 1762 Leopold Mozart undertook a series of ambitious tours to exhibit his two child prodigies. After Austria, Germany, and Paris—where little Wolfgang's first publications were prepared (four sonatas for violin and clavecin, K. 6-9)—the party arrived in London on April 13. 1764. Here they met very satisfying success, remaining more than a year, and here young Mozart came under the spell of Christian Bach. Not only was Bach a fine composer of the modern galant school, he was also, at twenty-eight, much younger and livelier than most of the adults surrounding Mozart.

The result showed immediately. Though begun in Paris—hence the concluding minuets—K. 13 reflects Christian Bach in its flowing, more refined melodic lines, its use of thematic contrast, and its overall texture. Most importantly, K. 13 is not a continuo sonata of the sort heard at the Festival Baroque concert. Instead, it's a sonata for keyboard with violin accompaniment and 'cello optional, and it represents a half way station on the road towards genuine piano trios. Another feature, however, was entirely Mozart's own: The heart of the piece is its long, expressive Andante (in F minor), a lifelong characteristic already evident at the age of eight.

#### Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart Trio in B-flat Major, K. 502 (1786)

By the 1780s the musical world was changing due to the rise of the middle class. A whole new market for music was developing, but it differed significantly from the old, upper-class market. The middle class had brains, enthusiasm, and money—but no time. They still had to work at the business and professional interests which had brought their success, and they couldn't always get around to mastering the intricacies of a stringed instrument or the subtleties of a quartet. Emphasis was therefore shifting to other instruments, especially the piano (every middle-class home had one now), and a favorite form was the piano trio.

At first this new arena was left in the hands of lesser luminaries, for Haydn still had his Estetházy responsibilities and Mozart

mostly moved in upper-class circles. When Mozart did get around to the piano trio, moreover, two of his six examples were obviously not intended for the emerging middle class but for the skilled connoisseurs of the aristocracy, or for already-arrived middle-class people like Mozart's friend and lodge brother Michael Puchberg. One of these was K. 502, a marvelous masterpiece with the intimacy of chamber music, the brilliance of a concertante, and the breadth of a concerto all in one. Not least among this work's attractions is its celebrated Larghetto, whose radiant melody, "as long and as spacious as some of Schubert's." reminds one of the late piano concertos.

#### Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart Divertimento in B-flat Major, K. 254 (1776)

Back in Salzburg, meanwhile, and some ten years earlier, Mozart had already composed his first plano trio. Though called a divertimento—the preferred term, "terzett," hadn't yet come into use for this form—the piece was really a serious though altogether agreeable sonata A tre in three movements. If the trio format was not yet perfected, though, K. 254 was still a big step forward. The violin part becomes increasingly important and in the Rondcaux the cello even starts coming into its own. (Mozart was not behind the times here. For everyone, the emancipation of the 'cello proved to be the last step in transferring from Baroque thinking to the new obbligato style.) Along with format there was also an increase in substance, from the dynamic and high-spirited Allegro to the leisurely paced but strongly constructed finale. Most significantly. Mozart resurrected this work for publication in 1782 and it proved an entirely successful stopgap until he could turn his full attention to the genre.

### The Streicher Trio Jane Marla Robbins

Friday, July 25, 1997, 8:00 PM Cal Poly Theatre

Carla Moore, Violinist Charlene Brendler, Fortepianist Sarah Freiberg, 'Cellist

#### Jane Marla Robbins, Actress

Note: The violin used in this performance is by Andreas Hover, Klingenthal, 1760; the 'cello is by William Forster, London. 1774; and the fortepiano is a replica of a fortepiano by Johann Walther, 1795.

Jane Marla Robbins

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#### Leo Eylar Rhapsody for Orchestra (1995)

[The following remarks concerning the two pieces by Leo Eylar have been kindly provided by the composer, who will also conduct the performances. Ed.]

Rhapsody for Orchestra was composed in 1995 and was nominated for a Pulitzer Prize the following year, as well as being recorded by the California Youth Symphony in 1996 and performed to great acclaim in Japan and Taiwan in the summer of 1996. The work is in three main sections: The first section is an angular and highly energetic Allegro impetuoso that features all parts of the orchestra in concertato style writing. This is followed by a slow, contrasting section, very lyrical in nature and bittersweet in mood. Following this is the final summation, again in Allegro tempo and including a short fugato section as the work builds in intensity to a dramatic close.

#### Leo Eylar An Orpheus Legend, for Violin and Orchestra (1997)

I often turn to the visual arts for inspiration when composing, and in the case of *An Orpheus Legend* my source was the French Symbolisi painter Odilon Redon. Famous for his pastels, Redon was a master at creating both mysterious and dreamlike images. The seed from which this entire concerto grew was his pastel of 1903 entitled *Orpheus*, which depicts the head of Orpheus floating dreamlike with his lyre above a mysterious yet serene landscape. The mood is one of deep introspection, poignancy, and bittersweet loss. There is a certain sense of peace in the picture, yet tinged with an inelfable sadness.

The first movement, "Orpheus," is a free interpretation of this pastel. What I am trying to convey is not a narrative story of the Orpheus tale or a Straussian depiction of every last detail of the painting, but rather a general mood and a free association of

symbolic ideas. The work is based musically on rising perfect fifth intervals and the free interplay between the solo violin and the orchestra, with an extremely prominent solo harp part. The second movement, "Maenads' Dance," is an invocation of the end of the Orpheus legend, in which the despondent Orpheus meets up with a group of wild and frenzied Maenads, who implore him to join in their orgiastic dancing. Unwilling to do so, Orpheus is torn limb from limb and his body tossed into the river. The mood of this movement is one of furious, relentless, driving energy, menacing and forceful. It is interrupted towards the end by a last recollection of peacefulness before the work drives to its furioso ending.

#### Johannes Brahms Serenade No. 2, in A Major, Opus 16 (1857-60)

In 1857, twenty-four-year-old Brahms landed his first regular job at the cultivated Court of Detmold, where music was the first love of both Prince and Princess. Brahms was to conduct the choral society, perform as pianist in Court concerts, and give lessons, and in many ways it was a perfect first appointment. The Teutoburger Forest was available for long walks and the excellent library had a fine collection of Mozart's scores, including, significantly, the Serenade for Thirteen Instruments, K. 361, which will be heard tomorrow evening at Chapel Hill.

Here Brahms composed his first two orchestral works, the Serenades in D and A. For the second, a mellow and engaging divertimento, the composer chose a rich, creamy sound (omitting the violins, trumpets, and percussion), and he cast the piece in the five basic movements of a Mozart serenade (but with a scherzo in place of the first minuet.) Especially notable, however, is the extent to which young Brahms was already establishing the permanent characteristics of his style, not only in its general melodic outlines and chord progressions, but also in such familiar specifics as appoggiatura chords and syncopated rhythms.

### Festival Orchestra

Saturday, July 26, 1997, 8:00 PM Performing Arts Center • Cal Poly

Clifton Swanson, Conductor Leo Eylar, Conductor Ralph Morrison, Violinist

#### INTERMISSION

Johannes Brahms ....... Serenade No. 2, in A Major, Opus 16 (1833-1897)

Allegro moderato Scherzo: Vivace Adagio non troppo Quasi menuetto Rondo: Allegro

Clifton Swanson, Conductor

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#### Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart Screnade in B-flat Major for Thirteen Instruments, K. 361 (1784?)

Often called "Gran Partitta" (but not by Mozart - someone else wrote this on the score), the Serenade for Thirteen Instruments remains one of the most remarkable pieces of its type. It was the direct inspiration for Dvořák's Serenade in D minor, which follows, and it was one of the works which Brahms studied while composing the Serenade in A heard last evening. Not only does it hold a special place in the serenade reportory and the wind instrument repertory, it is also a most exceptional concertante. Although the clarinets often take the part of soloists, Mozart more frequently uses the concertante idea and the forces before him to create a kaleidoscope of constantly shifting sound. One combination follows another: clarinets with basset horns (a sort of tenor clarinet), oboes and basset horns with bassoons, or one of each playing in unison. Through it all the texture remains clear and easy to follow, every instrument's part is written idiomatically—that is, in the way most natural for that instrument and each movement is given a distinct and contrasting character.

Although it seems especially odd in this instance. K. 361 is among the masterpieces whose origins remain unknown. Some authors have placed it in early 1781, when Mozart became acquainted with the fine wind players of Munich, but Alan Tyson, the manuscript paper expert, says 1782. The piece has definite thematic connections with some from the spring of 1784, on the other hand, especially the "Strinasacchi" violin sonata, while its style and use of the clarinets suggest that it belongs with the pieces composed for Mozart's friend Anton Stadler, the first clarinet virtuoso. All we know for sure, however, is that on March 23, 1784, Stadler and friends performed four movements of K. 361 at the National-Hoftheater in Vienna, where they were warmly received.

#### Antonin Dvo ták Serenade in Dminor, Opus 44 (1878)

Although he certainly liked to keep up with the new Dvořák's deepest admiration was for the Classical masters. An early enthusiasm for the Wagner school, for example, soon passed but his love for Schubert was lifelong. During his stay in America he even contributed a major article about Schubert to a New York magazine. Mozart, moreover, he called "sunshine" and he once compared Mozart's music to a Raphael painting he had seen in London: Both were "so beautifully composed." Mozart was also on his mind when he wrote a pair of screnades early in his career, as had been the case with his friend and mentor, Brahms. Dvořák's differed from Brahms's, however, in that the first was for strings alone and the second was for a combination quite similar to Mozart's K. 361.

The Serenade in D minor also differed from any of its models in its use of Bohemian folk elements. Nationalism was in the air from Norway to Russia to Spain, in all the countries, indeed. which had lain outside the old central orbit. The Czech peoples had had only one important national composer so far, Smetana. and Dvořák decided to pursue this line himself. Early in 1878 he began work on a set of Slavonic Rhapsodies while also introducing many Bohemian-sounding melodies into the present Serenade, along with a Bohemian folk dance called a sousedska in the second movement. From the beginning, nonetheless, be recognized that just quoting a couple of folksongs wasn't enough, so like Grieg in Norway. Dvořák studied folk music to the point that he could write original material which was authentic in character. (He would become so skilled at this that he could even do it with music from other countries: For years people believed that the famous Largo from the "New World" Symphony was a genuine spiritual.) Even here, interestingly enough. Dvořák found encouragement in the Classical masters. Many of Haydn's "minuets" were really country dances-some clearly of Slavic originwhile the idea of shifting unexpectedly between major and minor keys-so typical of folk music-Dvořák had actually derived already from Schubert.

## Serenades At Chapel Hill

Sunday, July 27, 1997, 7:30 PM Chapel Hill, Shandon

THE MOZART FESTIVAL WINDS
John Ellis, Stuart Horn, Oboists
David Peck, Mary Gale, Clarinetists
David Howard, Rena Feller, Basset Hornists
Gregory Barber, Meredith Quick, Bassoonists
Peter Nowlen, Jane Swanson, Paul Stevens, Rebecca O'Donovan, Hornists
Christina Soule, 'Cellist
Bruce Morganthaler, Bassist

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart ... Serenade in B-flat Major for Thirteen Instruments, K. 361 (1756-1791)

Largo: Molto allegro Menuetto Adagio Menuetto: Allegretto

Romance: Adagio; Allegretto; Adagio

Andante: Tema con variazioni

Finale: Molto allegro

#### INTERMISSION

Antonin Dvořák (1841-1904)	
	Moderato: Quasi marcia
	Minuetto Andante con moto
	Finale: Allegro molto
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#### Johannes Brahms Variations on a Theme by Joseph Haydn, in B-flat Major, Opus 56a (1873)

It's one of those odd ironies of history: One of music's flawless little masterpieces has been attended by two big mistakes. The first was attributing the theme to Haydn. True, Brahms found the theme in a Haydn wind band piece shown him by a friend. What no one realized was that it was really the St. Anthony Chorale, an ancient pilgrims' hymn familiar enough in Haydn's day that it needed no identification. The other mistake involved a long dispute among later observers over which version of the piece came first—the orchestral version or the one for two pianos—when Brahms actually had fun composing them together during a leisurely summer vacation near the mountains.

Another reason Brahms enjoyed himself was that he always found variation forms especially congenial. Each of this work's eight variations retains the rhythm and harmony of the opening theme, but through masterful use of texture and figuration Brahms gave each one the flavor of a character piece. (There is even a deliciously Wagernian-sounding passage for brass choir.) Then, by way of underlining, he cast the last one as a passacaglia—an older, even stricter variation form—to create variations within the variations.

#### Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart Symphony No. 38, in D Major, K. 504 ("Prague") (1786)

Mozart's relations with the city of Prague form a particularly happy chapter in his life. When his star seemed on the wane (temporarily) in Vienna—and all of Austria was plunged into a ruinous recession which was hard on everybody—the unflagging enthusiasm of the Bohemian people for Mozart's music lifted him both spiritually and financially. *Don Giovanni* was composed for Prague and so was this. Mozart's first "big-time" symphony.

Things had changed since the seventies (see the opening concert). The symphony was growing into a major, central type of piece, partly because Haydn was leading it there and partly because the audience seemed happy to follow. Mozart was following Haydn, too (as he usually did regarding symphonies and quartets, with

the roles reversing for sonatas and concertos), and with this piece he arrived. Even though the work is predominantly cheerful and exciting, there is a weight and substance to it right from the arresting slow introduction. It also has more spacious dimensions, more brilliant orchestration, and more thorough working out of the material (just listen to everything that happens to the Allegro's first theme!). All that's missing is a minuet, which the piece obviously didn't need and which was optional anyway.

#### Johannes Brahms Concerto in D Major for Violin and Orchestra, Opus 77 (1878)

If Mozart had his Leutgeb (see the opening concert again), then Brahms had his Joachim, but where "Joey" Leutgeb was an easygoing Salzburgian horn player. Joseph Joachim was a fiery Hungarian violinist. The results were equally similar-yet-different: Concertos to last through the ages. but Joachim got just a single, monumental example and there were no colored inks. Joachim had lots of advice to give his friend, too. All the fingerings and bowings are his, the tempo indications in the finale, and even a few of the notes in the first movement. It worked out nonetheless: the too-many-cooks syndrome was avoided and Brahms's concerto now stands next to Beethoven's at the top of the genre.

As in a Classical period concerto, there is an orchestral exposition before the soloist enters. The main theme, however, is unusually idyllic and serene, and it creates a special moment near the end of the first movement when the brilliant solo cadenza merges into it. The Adagio is in the spirit of a serenade or romanza (and thus in the spirit of the '97 Festival), while the finale is a dazzling rondo whose themes pay compliment to Joachim's Hungarian heritage.

### Festival Orchestra

Tuesday, July 29, 1997, 8:00 PM Performing Arts Center • Cal Poly

#### Jeffrey Kahane, Conductor William Preucil, Violin Soloist

Johannes Brahms . . . Variations on a Theme by Joseph Haydn, in B-flat Major, Opus 56a (1833-1897)

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart ....... Symphony No. 38, in D Major, K. 504 ("Prague") (1756-1791)

Adagio; Allegro Andante Finale: Presto

#### INTERMISSION

Johannes Brahms......Concerto in D Major for Violin and Orchestra, Opus 77

Allegro ma non troppo Adagio Allegro giocoso, ma non troppo vivace

William Preucil, Violinist

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#### Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart Sonatain G Major, K. 379 (373a) (1781)

Immediately after moving to Vienna in 1781 Mozart composed four piano/violin sonatas which, with two reworked Mannheim pieces, he published almost as musical calling cards with which to introduce himself to the big city. They worked. The pieces were received with considerable enthusiasm, impressing with their boldness, their richness of ideas, and with the strong relationship between the instruments. In the latter regard, the first of the new works. K. 379, was a little less progressive than the others in that its texture still tilted a bit towards the piano, a tendency of the times observed also in some of the piano trios performed on the 24th and 25th by the Streicher Trio. The Sonata in G also had but two movements, another older practice, but it was still sufficiently ahead of the competition to make a good impression. The first movement had an especially strong impact, with its long Adagio introduction in a surprisingly solemn G major leading to an even more surprising Allegro in a passionate G minor. Compared to this the concluding variations seem a little less dramatic, but Mozart filled them with inventiveness, color, and unexpected turns, nonetheless, as he showed Vienna what he could do.

#### Gabriel-Urbain Fauré Sonata in A Major, Opus 13 (1876)

Fauré became an important transitional figure by accident. The actual aim of his subtly original music was to restore the traditional Gallic traits of clarity, balance, restraint, and good taste. He also favored sonorities which were tinged with the old, modal scales, with ambiguity of key, or with gentle, static dissonance. Add to this a keen appreciation for the effect of unusual rhythmic figures—especially subtle ones—and you have a style which seems fresh and elegant without the listener always knowing why. It was also a style which led in almost the opposite direction from German Romanticism, and which would be taken into still newer areas by Fauré's pupil, Ravel.

Much of the Sonata in A is rich and mellow, even in the dramatic spots, with pleasing melodies and lots of rippling accompaniment figures from the piano. The slow movement's theme is especially lovely and is given entirely to the violin. The Allegro vivo. however, is quite different, crisp and crackling and filled with metric offsets and sharp punctuation. The finale then summarizes by starting dramatically, proceeding to a lyric section, and ending with a vigorous scherzo-like passage, all underlain with a delicate tension created by Fauré's deliberate ambiguity of key.

#### Richard Strauss Sonata in E-flat Major, Opus 18 (1887-88)

Because Richard Strauss has been so identified with the major part of his production—operas and tone poems—people often forget that he wrote anything else. The facts are, however, that Strauss's early training was Classical—his father was a famous horn player of decidedly traditional tastes—and that he composed several early, successful pieces of symphonic and chamber music. It was not until 1885 that he met the poet and musician Alexander Ritter, who convinced Strauss to move towards the Liszt/Wagner type of expression. Strauss's first effort came immediately, the symphonic fantasy Aus Italien (1886), and his first big success in the new genre just two years later, Don Juan. Between these two he wrote what would be his last piece of chamber music for a long while, the Sonata in E-flat.

Some hear in this sonata a prelude to the forthcoming tone poems. Its texture is often thick, almost orchestral, and both performers are kept extremely busy. The rhythm, if not the notes, of the very first motive is similar to several found in the tone poems. The middle movement, however, presents a striking contrast in its restrained eloquence, and it is sometimes performed separately under the title *Improvisation*.

### Chamber Concert

Wednesday, July 30, 1997, 8:00 PM Performing Arts Center, Cal Poly

#### William Preucil, Violinist Jeffrey Kahane, Pianist

#### INTERMISSION

Andante Adagio; Allegro

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### The Insider: Dateline '97

(The following column is part of our ongoing series keeping you, dear reader, informed of how music looks today, in 1797, especially as viewed from the great city of Vienna, which we may claim, without blush, to be the musical capital of the world. Our sources for this report wish to remain anonymous but we assure you, gentle reader, that they are all knowledgeable persons of the highest standard whose word may be trusted implicitly.—Ed.]

15 Jan. The year begins brilliantly as the young phenomenon, Beethoven, delights everyone at a concert sponsored by Andreas and Bernhard Romberg, visiting here from the composer's native city of Bonn.

12 Feb. Everyone is buzzing over Haydn's grand new "Emperor's Hymn," which is certain to become a national treasure. Speaking of the great man, his new house in the Gumpendorf suburb still isn't ready, so he's staying in the old city on the Neuer Markt, near Schwarzenberg palace. Our informant's housekeeper knows Haydn's neighbor's housekeeper there, and she says that except for official or musical functions Haydn lives very quietly. He entertains few visitors except for two who come quite regularly. One is the copyist, who comes with bundles of music under his arm and then leaves with others, some of which have words on them. We believe this to be significant, for the other visitor is Baron von Swieten, whose concert society at the Schwarzenberg put on Haydri's Seven Last Words last Easter. Sometimes the Baron stays and sometimes the two of them go out. Sometimes they go to the Schwarzenberg. Now, we've learned that Haydn will bring out another Mass for Princess Maria Hermenegild's nameday just as he did last year (the "Kettledrum" Mass). He's supposed to do this every year now, but that's not until September. This is still winter; snow is on the ground. We believe that something's afoot.

**6** Apr. Speaking of the Schwarzenberg, Prince S. himself presents Beethoven at the palace in something really different, a quintet for piano and wind instruments (Opus 16). Our informant has already heard a partial run-through and says it's very nice just the same.

May. As the season draws to a close we wish to congratulate once again our own estimable Johann Schenk, whose *Der Dorfbarbier* has now run for more than a year to undiminished applause. Your great friend and ours .....our Mozart..... would surely be pleased. (Sorry you had to change theaters, though.)

8 Sep. The summer hiatus is finally over. Mercifully, it wasn't so protracted as last year's. Over at Eisenstadt, Princess Maria's new mass is ready, called the *Heiligmesse*, and the inside word is that it's even more beautiful than last year's. We should think so: There are no kettledrums. Really, Signor Haydn! And when you get back to rown, are you and Baron von S. going to continue all that mysterious snooping around? (Oh, yes, your new house is finally ready. Our informant's housekeeper said so.)

Nov. The autumn apparently belongs to Herr Beethoven. First it was publications—sonatas and a serenade for string trio (op. 6-8)—and now your dances are to entertain us again, courtesy of the Gesellschaft der bildenden Künstler. What next?

23 Dec. Now we know: A new set of variations on "La ci darem." But for two oboes and an English horn? What's going on? The symphonist sings and the pianist toots! Really! Happy New Year.

## Family Concert

Thursday, July 31, 1997, 7:00 PM Performing Arts Center, Cal Poly

Dr. Craig Russell, Host

Theophilus Bass Quintet Dennis James, Glass Harmonica Edgar Meyer, String Bass

Musical Score by Robert Kapilow A musical production of Dr. Seuss' Green Eggs and Ham

Maria Jette, Soprano
Bix McClure, Boy Soprano
Jeffrey Kahane, Piano
Geraldine Rotella, Flute and Piccolo
David Peck, Clarinet
Mary Gale, Clarinet
Gregory Barber, Bassoon
Peter Nowlen, Horn
Darren Mulder, Trumpet
Clifton Swanson, Bass
Theresa Dimond, Percussion

Robert Kapilow is a composer connected with ASCAP and G. Schirmer, Inc; a conductor who has led many orchestras including the National Symphony; and a featured commentator on public radio and television. His work in bringing music to the public led to his receiving an Exxon "Meet the Composer" grant, and his long interest in music for children is evident in this evening's featured production.

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#### Franz Peter Schubert Overture in Cminor, D. 8a (1811)

Honoring the bicentennial of Schubert's birth, the Berkeley Schubert Quartet presents a fascinating view of the composer's early and mature work. Even from his school days, we find certain of Schubert's characteristics well established: his interest in concert songs (lieder), his predilection for Mozart, his harmonic enrichment, and his easy transference of an idea from one medium to another. The first selection is a case in point. It began life as a song, a recasting of "Hagar's Lament" by Johann Zumsteeg (1760-1802. Konzertmeister at Stuttgart and a proponent of Mozart). Young Schubert's originality is evident immediately as he deviates from the model with the very first vocal entrance and then proceeds through a much less conventional and more exciting harmonic progression. Three months later this song became the nucleus of an Overture for string quintet (using Mozart's configuration of a second viola, not a second 'cello', and a month after that Schubert recast the piece in its present form.

#### Franz Peter Schubert Quartet in C Major, D. 32 (1812)

Just a year after D. 8a the precocious Schubert had taken a big step forward. D. 32 is a full-scale, surprisingly well worked quartet in four movements. Its crisply exhilarating first movement—exuberantly marked "Presto"—has its second theme in the unexpected key of the subdominant (F major), a first step towards the three-key scheme Schubert would favor later. The slow movement is compact and finely wrought, while the Minuet includes some vigorous cross-rhythms suggestive of a folk dance. The Finale, however, is the most impressive of all, contrasting engaging divertimento-like passages with strongly contrapuntal ones and featuring a long, exciting development. Lastly. Schubert would favor triple time and compound triple time rhythms throughout his career, but this piece is unusual in that all the movements are either in six (first two) or in three (last two).

#### Franz Peter Schubert Five Minuets and Six Trios, D. 89 (1813)

In the fall of 1813, Schubert left the Imperial and Royal City College for choirboys in Vienna and entered a Normal School to train as an elementary school teacher. This also meant, happily, returning to live in his parents' home, where he could participate more fully in the family string quartet (Franz preferred the viola) and the family house concerts. Not surprisingly, a burst of compositions for quartet followed. In November alone, Schubert wrote the fine Quartet in E-flat, D. 87, a pair of short pieces, the Five German Dances. D. 90 (with two "extra" trios), and the present set of minuets, in the keys of C. E. D minor, G. and C.

#### Franz Peter Schubert Quartet in Aminor, D. 804 ("Rosamunde") (1824)

With the famous "Rosamunde" Quartet we are now transported into Schubert's maturity. The piece gets its nickname from the slow movement's theme—one of Schubert's finest melodies—which he would use again as a theme for piano variations (impromptu, Op. 142, No. 3) and in the incidental music for the play Rosamunde. The overall cast of the piece, however, is an alternating one, for ahead of the Andante's tranquility there is the more melancholy mood of the first movement, with its suggestion of Schubert's song Gretchen am Spinnrade ("My peace is gone, my heart is sore"). The last two movements follow a similar pattern, for the minuet is more somber again and makes reference to another song, Die Götter Griechenlands ("Fair world, where are you?") before the concluding Allegro moderato dispels the gloom in rustic gaiety.

# The Berkeley Schubert Quartet

#### Thursday, July 31, 1997, 8:00 PM Maison Deutz Laetitia Winery · Arroyo Grande

#### Lisa Weiss, George Thomson, Violinists Anthony Martin, Violist Leighton Fong, 'Cellist

> Allegro ma non troppo Andante Allegro Allegro moderato

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#### Garry Eister Opera in one act: The Glass Harmonica (1997)

It's one of those "What if" ideas: It never really happened, but change a couple of small historical circumstances here and another one there and who knows? From this situation, thenwhich the narrator explains in detail at the beginning—grows a little morality play of the sort which has been around since the Middle Ages and was certainly popular in Mozart's own time. All this scene-setting is important, too, for in The Glass Harmonica composer Garry Eister is first and foremost a dramatist. He wrote the libretto himself and the music flows directly from the story —as it did when it was being composed, too, according to maestro Swanson—even as the dramatic dialogue flows seamlessly from speech into singing. To follow the story, of course, you also have to be able to understand the words of that dialogue and to facilitate this the musical style is clear and understandable as well. Tonally it lies primarily within the familiar system of major and minor keys, with its modern touches reserved mostly for punctuation and emphasis. Reminiscences of Mozarr's own music flow in and out, too—especially when Mozart's name is invoked —including a bit of the Sonata in A, K. 331, which follows. Finally, the music is tuneful, for Eister believes that you should always come away from a musical production of this sort with some tunes you could whistle.

#### Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart Piano Sonata in A Major, K. 331 (300i) (1783)

This unusual little sonata — once thought to be a "Paris" sonata but now shown to have come from Mozart's early Vienna period — contains two of Mozart's most universally recognized tunes. The theme of the first movement, a favorite alike with pianists, dramatists, children's programmers, and music-box makers, was originally a Czech folksong which Mozart probably knew in its German language version. The third movement, meanwhile, is the famous "Rondo alla turca," whose comic-opera hilarity has even found its way into animated cartoons. Between these two, however, lies the truly extraordinary part of the work and one of the most exceptional movements Mozart had written up to this time. Though called a minuet, its short, dramatic, even yearning phrases, its unsettling harmonic shifts, and its richly flowing accompaniment make it seem like something else entirely. The one thing K. 33I doesn't have is an opening Allegro

in sonata form, which has led some observers to wonder whether the piece was left incomplete. It was composed during an autumn visit back to Salzburg, however, and its special character was more likely directed towards a particular person or occasion there.

### Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart Concerto No. 18, in B-flat Major, for Piano and Orchestra, K. 456 ("Paradis") (1784)

Musicologist Neal Zaslaw suggests that the tradition is probably correct which says that this is the concerto which Leopold Mozart heard performed in February of 1785 and about which he wrote the following lines to Nannerl:

"... a masterful concerto that he wrote for the blind virtuosa Maria Theresa von Paradis.... I had the great pleasure of hearing all the interplay of the instruments so clearly that for sheer delight tears came to my eyes. When your brother left the stage, the Emperor tipped his hat and called out 'Bravo Mozart!"

After a somewhat martial opening passage, much of the first movement proceeds in an unusually intimate vein, almost like chamber music, which for Mozart at this time also included a little sly humor. The intimacy then takes a deeper turn in the G-minor Andante, whose theme gets five lovely variations and a coda. When Papa Mozart spoke of hearing the instrumental interplay he could have meant especially the treatment of the winds in this movement. The Finale's hunting-horn fanfares can't be missed, however, as the piece moves to a typically rousing conclusion.

### Festival Orchestra

Friday, August 1, 1997, 8:00 PM Performing Arts Center, Cal Poly

Clifton Swanson, Conductor Edith Orloff, Pianist Maria Jette, Kathleen Barata, Sopranos John Duykers, Tenor Hector Vasquez, Baritone Robert Moore, Narrator

Garry Eister ..... Opera in one act: The Glass Harmonica (World premiere) (b. 1952)

Maria Jette, Constanze Mozart Kathleen Barata, Maid John Duykers, Benjamin Franklin Hector Vasquez, Anton Mesmer Robert Moore, Narrator and Ghost of Mozart

Libretto and stage direction by Garry Eister Technical values by Anet Gillespie-Carlin and Richard Jackson

SCENE: Mozart's house on the morning after Mozart's funeral.

#### INTERMISSION

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart .......Sonata in A Major, K. 331 (300i) (1756-1791)

Tema: Andante grazioso Menuetto Alla turca: Allegretto

Edith Orloff, Pianist

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart ...... Concerto No. 18, in B-flat Major, for Piano and Orchestra, K. 456 ("Paradis")

Allegro vivace Andante un poco sostenuto Allegro vivace

Edith Orloff, Pianist Special thanks to PCPA for costumes for the "Glass Harmonica." ANDRE,
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## Gallery Events

Hands Gallery 777 Higuera Street, San Luis Obispo – (805) 543-1921

In honor of the Mozart Festival, Hands Gallery will be having a special reception and show leaturing five local area artists. Artist/potters David and Meg Johnson use colorful imagery painted on rich ceramic forms to express their unique vision. Also featured will be the metal sculpture of Rick Bohnsak, the warm and colorful wood clocks of Laurel Tyler, and the witty jewelry of Amy Peters. A festive reception will be held Friday, July 25. from 4:00 - 6:00 pm.

Johnson Gallery 547 Marsh Street, San Luis Obispo (805) 541-6600

The Johnson Gallery will be celebrating the joys of music in an upcoming show entitled "Music Makers." Artists will exhibit pieces based on their idea of what a "music maker" is - a musical instrument, a musician, the visual expression of a piece of music or an emotion inspired by music. Located in the historic Victorian Kaetzel House, Johnson Gallery will host a gala reception on Sunday. August 3. from 1:00 - 7:00 pm. This will allow Mozart concert-goers to attend either before or after the Festival's final concert. Gallery owner Gail Johnson will open her unique private apartment to visitors during this once-a-year Mozart Festival celebration.

Kolliner Gallery 385 Higuera Street, San Luis Obispo (805) 544-2669

The Kolliner Gallery represents contemporary artists whose work questions, explores and challenges their vision - including works of painting, drawing, photography and sculpture, all set against the brick walls and courtyard of an historic creamery building. Kolliner Gallery will host a special courtyard reception Saturday. July 26, from 4:00 - 6:00 pm, featuring popular folk musicians Bob & Wendy Liepman. The gallery is located at the corner of Marsh and Higuera Streets, with parking available behind the gallery on Archer Street.

Big Sky Cafe 1121 Broad Street/San Luis Obispo - (805) 545-5401

This popular San Luis Obispo restaurant will present a show of Mozart Festival Posters from past years, on display during the Festival. Big Sky is located within short walking distance of Mission San Luis Obispo.

## Fleck, Marshall & Meyer

Saturday, August 2, 8:00pm Performing Art Center, Cal Poly

The Bela Fleck, Edgar Meyer, and Mike Marshall Trio

Tonight's concert features master innovator and banjoist Bela Fleck, bassist Edgar Meyer, one of the top instrumentalists of his generation, and master guitarist, violinist, mandolinist Mike Marshall. One of America's hottest new bands, they bring together incredible virtuosity and sophisticated sensibilities in creating oiginal, complex, and highly entertaining music. The Mozart Festival is very pleased to host the Fleck, Meyer, Marshall Trio on their first tour ever.

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Ludwig van Beethoven Overture: The Consecration of the House, Opus 124 (1822)

In one of those funny quirks of history, the operatic overture turned into a concert piece—twice. The symphony, of course, grew from the operatic sinfonia during the mid-eighteenth century, of which we were reminded at the Festival's opening concert. And then, rather more suddenly this time, history repeated itself. Beethoven reworked his opera Fidelio so many times that three versions of the overture, originally called *Leonore*, ended up stranded. They proved so successful as independent concert pieces, however, that the "concert overture" came into being as a type.

At first, most of these were intended for a dual function, being composed for a specific, unrepeated occasion before entering the general repertory. Like Egmont before it, The Consecration of the House was written for a once-only dramatic production of the same name, a congratulatory rewrite of The Ruins of Athens (whose overture had also entered the repertory) presented at the dedication of the new Josephstadt Theater in Vienna. Beethoven used the occasion to execute a special project he had had in mind: composing an overture in the manner of Handel—whose music he had come to admire greatly—with a majestic slow introduction followed by an Allegro in fugal style.

#### Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart Symphony No. 36, in C Major, K. 425 ("Linz") (1783)

In the nicknames they have collected, Mozart's music has always fared better than Haydn's. Symphony No. 36 is no exception, for it really was composed and performed in the city of Linz. The Mozarts were returning to Vienna after a visit in Salzburg, and stopping at Linz along the way they were met by the Counts Thun, father and son, relatives of the Thuns in Vienna. The wonderful hospitality of the Thun family being always appreciated, the Mozarts stayed for several days. There were concerts, of course, and as Mozart wrote to his father, "I have not a single symphony with me." He therefore composed one on the spot, in less than five days.

Although the "Prague" Symphony, performed last Tuesday, is commonly regarded as the first of Mozart's "big-time" symphonies which helped raise the form to a new level, an argument could certainly be made for the "Linz." From its noble opening to its spacious Allegro spiritoso to its startlingly intense slow movement accentuated with trumpets and drums (almost unheard-of, but noted later by Beethoven), this piece speaks the new language right to its brilliant finale.

#### Sergei Rachmaninoff Concerto No. 3, in D minor, for Piano and Orchestra, Opus 30 (1909)

Rachmaninoff composed his third and final piano concerto for his first American tour, and he performed it here first with Damrosch conducting and then with Mahler. Of the three works this is certainly the ripest in its musical ideas, its structural integration, and, some say, its difficulty.

The piece opens with an atmosphere of mystery. A second, more striking theme is then announced by trumpets and horns, and taken up by the strings and the piano. A gorgeous episode follows, and hints of this second theme crop up in the second and third movements. The slow Intermezzo begins tenderly, and after a quicker passage in the middle there is a dreamy reminiscence of the theme from the first movement. This then passes directly into the tremendously propulsive Finale which, in the words of one wag, gives a thorough workout to the pianist, the instrument, and the floorboards of the stage.

Who is there that, in logical words, can express the effect music has on us? A kind of inarticulate unfathomable speech, which leads us to the edge of the Infinite, and lets us for moments gaze into that.

Thomas Carlyle, 1841

### Final Orchestra Concert

Sunday, August 3, 1997, 3:00 PM Performing Arts Center, Cal Poly

#### Clifton Swanson, Conductor Jeffrey Kahane, Pianist

Jeffrey Kahane, Pianist		
Ludwig van Beetho (1770-1827)	ven Overture: The Consecration of the House, Opus 124	
Wolfgang Amadeus (1756-1791)	MozartSymphony No. 36, in C Major, K. 425 ("Linz")  Adagio; Allegro spiritoso Poco adagio Menuetto Presto	
	INTERMISSION	
Sergei Rachmanino (1873-1943)	ff Concerto No. 3, in D minor, for Piano and Orchestra, Opus 30 Allegro ma non tanto Intermezzo Finale*  Jeffrey Kahane. Pianist	
*1`h	e final two movements are performed without pause	
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Friday - Noon: Mission Plaza, San Luis Obispo

San Francisco Saxophone Quartet

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July 20

Sunday - Noon: Baywood Pier, Baywood Park San Francisco Saxophone Quartet

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Tulu 23

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Alfredo Rolando Ortiz

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Friday - 2:00 pm: Sycamore Farms, Pasó Robles Highway 46 West

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August 2

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#### Theophilus Brass

July 19

Saturday - Noon: Downtown Centre, San Luis Obispo

San Francisco Saxophone Quartet

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Tuesday - 5:30 pm: Edna Valley Vineyard, San Luis Obispo

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July 26

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Wednesday - 4:00 pm: Cayucos Lions Veterans Memorial Building

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August 2

Saturday - 2:00 pm: Valencia Apartments, San Luis Obispo

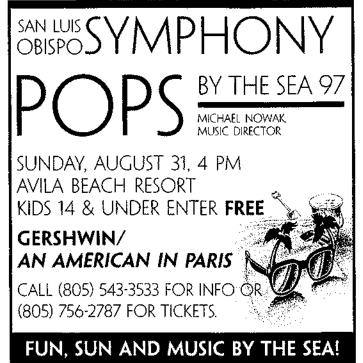
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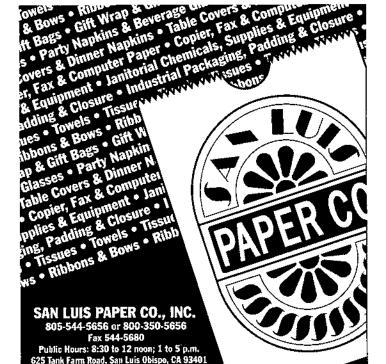


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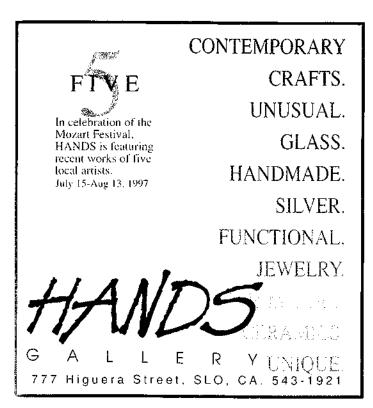


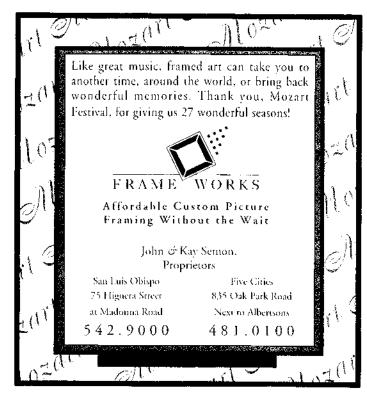
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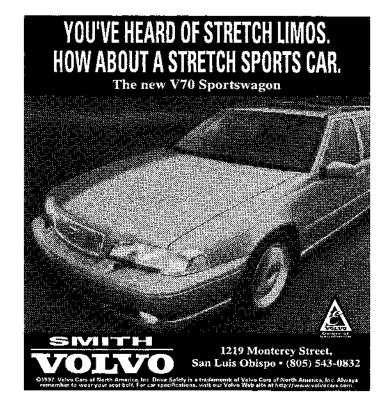
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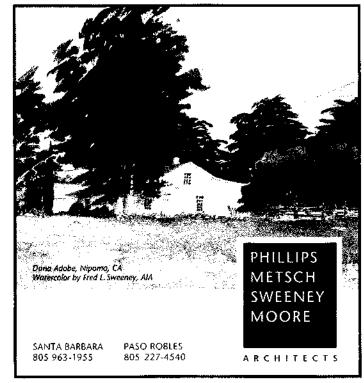
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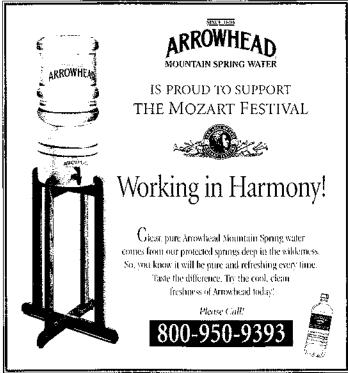


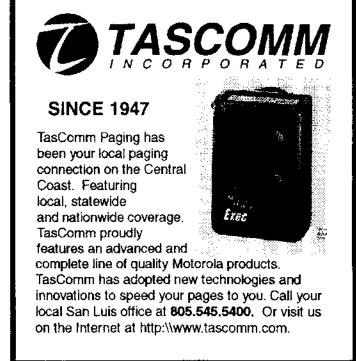
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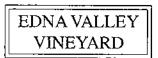
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Cell phones, beepers and electronic watches: Cell phones are not allowed in performance venues. Please turn off beepers and electronic watches prior to the performance. If you may need to be reached during a performance, leave 756-7222 and give your name and seat number to the House Manager.

Fire/evacuation notice/first aid: In the event of an alarm if you are instructed to evacuate the building, you are required to do so quickly and in an orderly fashion. The exit sign nearest your seat is the shortest route to the outside of the PAC. For first aid, please contact the nearest usher.

Food and beverages: No food or beverage of any kind may be brought into the PAC's performance venues.

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Personal apparel: The management reserves the right to refuse admittance to anyone whom the management believes is wearing improper attire for the event. The management is not responsible for personal property left in the venue. Items found in the PAC will be kept in the manager's office for a short period of time before they are given to the campus "Lost and Found."

**Phonic ear**: The PAC offers the Phonic Ear to all hearing impaired patrons free of charge. For more information, please inquire at the House Manager's podium.

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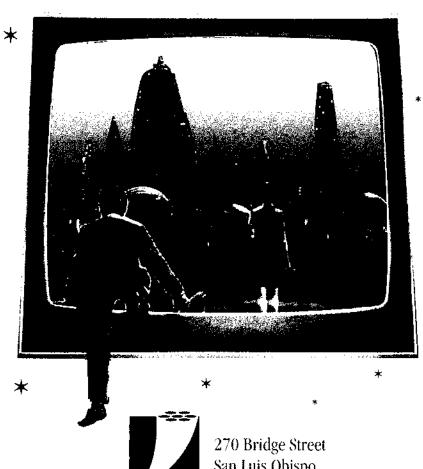
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