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MARY COSTA

Soprano

GERHARD ALBERSHEIM at the Piano

Carney Auditorium

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8:15 p.m.

PROGRAM

I

I adore you, eyes, missles of love, Your spark is welcome to my breast, My sad heart desires you, who inspire pity, And whom it always calls its best beloved.

Alleluia! from Motetto "O Qui Coeli Terraeque" Antonio Vivaldi

II

Open very quietly, my child, Awake no one from his slumber, The brook hardly murmurs; There scarcely flutters in the wind A leaf, in the bushes or hedges; Quietly, therefore my sweet, So that nothing is stirred; Quietly, lay your hand on the door knob. With steps as gentle as those of elves About to hop o'er the flowers; Slip out quietly into the moonlit night, And fly to me in the garden. The flowers slumber about the rippling brook And exhale fragrances in their sleep; only love is awake. Sit down, here the shadows grow mysteriously dark Under the linden trees; The nightingale above our heads Shall dream of our kisses, And the rose, upon awakening in the morning Shall glow with the rapture of the night.

And tomorrow the sun will shine again,
And on the path that I will follow;
It shall again unite us, happy ones,
Upon this sun breathing earth...
And to the wide shore, with its blue waves,
We will quietly and slowly descend;
Speechless, we shall look into each others eyes,
And upon us will descend the muted silence of happiness

Ich trage meine Minne (I Carry My Love)........ R. Strauss

To none will I my love e'er discover, nay!

I'll hide it fondly in my heart of hearts alway,
Rejoice that I found thee, darling, my heart's delight;
Thou art my thought in daytime, thou art my dream at night.
And dark tho' the sky and clouded, jet-black the night,
Bright as the sun, my love shall shed golden soft light.
The world with its heavy burden of sin and woe
Must hide its face from thine, sweet, thou art as pure as snow.

Dream, dear, for the earth is darkening,
Dream of Heaven and the flow'rs it brings.
Blossoms quiver there, while hearkening
To the song thy tender mother sings.
Dream, dear, ever since the dawning
Of the day that brought my blossom here.
Since that brightest happy morning,
Thy dear care is all my joy and fear.
Dream, dear, flow of my devotion,
Of that happy of that holy night
When the bud of his devotion
Made my world as Heaven through its light.

A youth was going through meadows and fields Cling, Clang, his heart did beat;
On his finger shone a golden ring,
Cling, Clang, his heart did beat;
Oh meadows, oh fields, how beautiful you are!
The youth hurried with lively step,
Cling, Clang, his heart did beat;
He took with him a laughing flower,
Cling, Clang, his heart did beat;
Midst meadows and fields a maiden stood,
Cling, Clang, her heart did beat;
To me, to me he is hastening,
Oh! if he only were already with me!
Cling, Clang, Cling, Clang, her heart did beat.

Elvira's Recitative and Cavatine from "Ernani" Guiseppe Verdi

How the hateful Silva pursues me forever with his love! But only Ernani lives in my heart! Ernani, take me away from his abhorred embrace. I shall follow you wherever you lead me, and it will be Eden for me. Oh time, quickly bring the moment of my flight! Any delay means torment for me.

INTERMISSION

IV

In your heart sleeps summer's sweet moonlight. Oh, to flee from sorrows into the calm, loving care of thine arms. From thine eyes I shall drink of thy love and sweet caresses. Then my life shall be complete.

Chevaux de bois

Turn round and round, good wooden horses, turn a hundred times, a thousand times. Turn to the tune of the oboes, to the tune of the victorious trumpet, to the gay tune of the drums--turn.

Green

Here are fruits and flowers, leaves and branches, and also my heart, which beats only for you. Do not tear it apart with your two white hands, and may this humble offering seem sweet to your lovely eyes.

At the Round Earth's Imagined Corners Benjamin Britten from "The Holy Sonnets" of John Donne
Come My Beloved, from "Song of Songs" Lukas Foss
Rhyme, from "A Song for the Lord Mayor's Table" William Walton
VI .
Billy Boy Edmunds
The Little Horses)
Ching a Ring Ching)
VΠ
Song to the Moon from "Rusalka" Anton Dvorak
Rusalka is a pixie (water sprite) who falls in love with a handsome prince who comes to bathe in the lake. The invocation to the moon comes from Act I.

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