2023 Spring Concert Series

Cello Music with Rochester Ties

Hilary Glen, cello Priscilla Yuen, piano

> May 3, 2023 12:10PM



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PROGRAM

Were Thou the Moon

text and music by R. Nathaniel Dett (1882-1943)

A Thousand Years Ago or More

text by Frederick H. Martens music by R. Nathaniel Dett

O Lord, the Hard-won Miles

poem by Paul Laurence Dunbar music by R. Nathaniel Dett

Hilary Glen, cello Priscilla Yuen, piano

Theme and Variations on *Draw the Sacred*Circle Closer for Solo Cello

Adolphus Hailstork (b. 1941)

Hilary Glen, cello

Sonata for Cello and Piano

I. Allegro Passionato

II. Sostenuto

III. Allegro

George Walker (1922-2018)

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PERFORMERS

Cellist Hilary Glen has been praised as a "standout performer" who has successfully "taken on the demanding and most expressive responsibilities assigned to the instrument." With a mission to promote inclusive and intentional programming, her entrepreneurial spirit has led her to produce interactive chamber music events that feature the works of historically excluded composers. She has presented her research in this area at multiple National Conferences for the College Music Society. Her duo, Gibbs St. Duo, was formed with the mission to bring awareness to disregarded composers of Cello/Piano repertoire.

Making her stage debut at the age of 6, Glen is a versatile performer and has played rock shows, orchestral concerts, and everything in between. She has collaborated with such notable musicians, ensembles, and composers as Joshua Bell, Robin Thicke, the New World Symphony, Gil Shaham, The Eagles, the Atlanta Symphony, Mikail Kopelman, The Temptations, the Rochester Philharmonic Orchestra, Stephen Wyrczynski, Gary Hoffman, Yefim Bronfman, and The Who. As a passionate chamber musician, Glen also coordinates and performs with several small ensembles that have played at national and international venues including the Kennedy Center.

A devoted teacher and life-long learner herself, Dr. Glen works with students of all ages, cultivating a curiosity and love of music making. She believes that music provides a crucial outlet for creativity and expression. She regularly presents masterclasses, lectures, and has been in-residence at several universities around the country. Dr. Glen currently teaches music appreciation at the Indiana University (IU) Jacobs School of Music, and Suzuki and Traditional cello at The Hochstein School and ROCmusic. Glen earned her B.M. at IU, studying with János Starker. She earned her M.M. and D.M.A. degrees, studying under Alan Harris, at the Eastman School of Music.

Pianist Priscilla Yuen enjoys a rich and varied career as a soloist, collaborator, teacher and administrator. Currently a faculty member at the Eastman School of Music, Ms. Yuen regularly supports instrumentalists and vocalists as they prepare for recitals, competitions and recordings. Additionally, she serves on the piano faculty at RIT.

As a collaborative pianist, Ms. Yuen has performed at colleges and universities across the United States, as well as at venues such as the Kennedy Center and New York City's Yamaha Hall. Serving as Festival pianist at the International Trombone Festival, she has performed with Jörgen van Rijen (Royal Concertgebeow Orchestra), Norman Bolter (Boston Symphony), Larry Zalkind (Eastman School of Music), Jeremy Moeller (Chicago Lyric Opera), Ralph Sauer (Los Angeles Philharmonic), Kenneth Thompkins (Detroit Symphony), Peter Steiner (Vienna Philharmonic), Matthew Guilford (National Symphony) and Justin Clark (Bern Symphony), Nico & Martin Schippers (Concertgebouw). Since 2016, Ms. Yuen has performed extensively across the country with Eastman faculty trombonist Mark Kellogg.

A native of St. Louis, Ms. Yuen received her undergraduate training at the University of Missouri, studying with Dr. Peter Miyamoto, and her Master of Music degree in Piano Accompanying and Chamber Music from Eastman, studying with Dr. Jean Barr. As a graduate student, she was awarded first prize at the Jesse Kneisel Competition as well as the Barbara M.H. Koeng Award for her work with vocal accompanying. Ms. Yuen served as staff pianist and arts/administrative coordinator at the NYS Music Festival for 11 summers. She also served as Director of Operations at the Odyssey Chamber Music Festival in Columbia, MO and as piano a fellow for The Quartet Program.

TEXT

Were Thou the Moon

Were thou the moon, and I, the flowing sea, We could not bide as they do, far apart; My swelling flood must fling its arms to thee, And draw thee to the love deeps of my heart.

A Thousand Years Ago or More

A thousand years ago or more,
This silver bracelet softly rang
At touch of others that you wore;
A thousand years ago or more,
When Memnon in the dawning sang!
The very nards and balsams bland,
Whose breath would hold your beauty aye
Were motes of dust mid Libyan sand,
And you forgotten in the land,
Before the legions came that way!
A thousand years ago or more.
Yet tender yearning still may hang
Its dreams upon the gaud you wore,
And see you lovely as afore,
When Memnon in the dawning sang!

O Lord, The Hard-won Miles

O Lord, the hard-won miles Have worn my stumbling feet; Oh, soothe me with Thy smiles, And make my life complete. The thorns were thick and keen Where e'er I trembling trod; The way was long between My wounded feet and God. Where healing waters flow Do Thou my footsteps lead. My heart is aching so, Thy precious balm I need. O Lord, the hard-won miles Have worn my stumbling feet; O soothe me with Thy smiles And make my life complete.



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