Footlight Players, Inc. Presents

An Evening Of Song

February 26, 2016 and February 27, 2016 - 7:30 pm The Church of The Ascension, Rockville Centre, New York

Nathaniel Green, director Tamara Cashour, musical accompaniment



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The Program

Dichterliebe See Notes

Nathaniel Green, baritone

- INTERMISSION -

O mio babbino caro from *Gianni Schicchi*, Giacomo Puccini Maureen Smith Setton soprano

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Porgi amor Maureen Smith Setton from *The Marriage of Figaro*, Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

Moonfall

from The Mystery of Edwin Drood, Holmes Rupert

Cielo e mar

from La Gioconda, Amilcare Ponchielli

Juan Franco, tenor

(over)

La donna è mobile from *Rigoletto*, Giuseppe Verdi

If Ever I Would Leave You from *Camelot*, Frederick Loewe

If I Loved You from *Carousel*, Richard Rodgers

Il pallor funesto, orrendo from *Lucia di Lammermoor*, Gaetano Donizetti

I Could Have Danced All Night from *My Fair Lady*, Frederick Loewe

Don't Cry For Me Argentina from *Evita*, Andrew Lloyd Webber

I Cain't Say No from Oklahoma!, Richard Rodgers

Votre toast, je peux vous le rendre (Toreador Song) from *Carmen*, Georges Bizet

Invocation from *The Frogs*, Stephen Sondheim

On the Street Where You Live from *My Fair Lady*, Frederick Loewe



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duet: Gina Haver, soprano & Nathaniel Green, baritone

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Susan Panzarella soprano

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Dichterliebe, "A Poet's Love" (composed 1840) is the best known song cycle of Robert Schumann (opus 48). The texts for the 16 songs come from the *Lyrisches Intermezzo* of Heinrich Heine, published as part of the poet's Das Buch der Lieder. Following the song cycles of Franz Schubert, those of Schumann constitute part of the central core of the genre in musical literature.

OUT OF RESPECT to THE CONCENTRATION OF THE PERFORMERS, PLEASE NO APPLAUSE DURING THE 16 SONGS. NOTE that, following the song "Ich grolle nicht" (# 7), there will be a short break for recovery of emotions. Applause will certainly be appreciated at the conclusion of the entire work !!!

Dichterliebe:

- 1. In the beautiful month of May when all the birds sang, I confessed my love to her.
- 2. Out of my tears go many flowers in bloom, and my sighs become a choir of nightingales.
- 3. The rose, the lily, the dove, the sun, I loved them all once, but now I love only the little one, the fair, the pure, the only one.
- 4. When I look into your eyes all my grief and sorrow vanish, but when you say "I love you", then I must weep bitterly.
- 5. I want to plunge my soul into the cup of the lily. The lily shall breathe resoundingly a song of my beloved.
- 6. In the Rhine is mirrored the mighty Cologne cathedral. In the cathedral is a picture of the Blessed Virgin which resembles my beloved.
- 7. I bear no grudge, even though my heart may break, eternally lost love!

(over)

- 8. If the flowers but knew how deeply my heart is hurt, they would weep with me to heal my pain.
 - 9. Flutes and violins are heard, and trumpets shrilly blaze. There the beloved of my heart is dancing her wedding dance.
 - 10. When I hear the little song that once my sweetheart sang, I feel as if my heart would burst from the wild surge of pain.
 - 11.A youth loves a maiden who has chosen another. The maiden has wed the very first man that came her way.
 - 12.On a shining summer morning I walk around the garden. The flowers whisper to me: Be not angry with our sister, you sorrowful man.
 - 13.I have wept in my dream, I dreamed you lay in your grave. I awakened and the tears still flowed from my cheeks.
- 14.Every night in my dream I see you greet me in a friendly way. Loudly weeping I throw myself at your sweet feet.
 - 15.Out of ancient fairy tales a white hand beckons. There's a singing and ringing of an enchanted land. Oh, that land I often see in my dreams. But with the morning sun it melts like empty foam.
 - 16. The old, wicked songs, the dream wicked and bad, let us bury them now, fetch a large coffin. Do you know why the coffin must be so large and heavy? I also sink my love and my pain therein.

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