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# CHAPMAN UNIVERSITY School of Music

presents

## New Music Ensemble

Sean Heim, Director

with special guests
Nick Terry & James Ieraci, percussion
Jennifer Estrin, violin

### Program

An Idyll for the Misbegotten

George Crumb

Hiroko Yamakawa-flute Brandon Miller, James Ieraci and Nick Terry-percussion

Piano Trio (Nuclear)

Josh Fov

I – Andante – Moderato Moonlight Under the Green-lit Sky II – Allegro – "There They Go Again . . . "

Kathleen Mangusing-violin Sarah Awaa-cello Josh Foy-piano

Between the Lines

Ingrid Stölzel

Hiroko Yamakawa-flute Alex Wilson-cello Josh Foy-piano

### Intermission

A Concurrence

Andre Rossignol/Grace Camacho

Grace Camacho-visual media, Hiroko Yamakawa-flute, Jennifer Estrin-violin, Phillip Triggs-viola, Alex Wilson-cello, Josh Foypiano, Brandon Miller & Laurie Ann Fischer-percussion

Three pieces of fruit for a dream . . .

Daniel Van der Roest

Fathom

Stephanie Williams

Stephanie Williams-soprano, Jennifer Estrin-flute, Alex Wilson-cello, Laurie Ann Fischer-piano, Brandon Miller-percussion, Phillip Triggs-conductor Five

John Cage

Grace Camacho-violin, Phillip Triggs-viola, Andre Rossignol-guitar, Josh Foy-piano, James Ieraci-percussion

Varied Trio

Lou Harrison

Jennifer Estrin-violin, Laurie Ann Fischer-piano, Brandon Miller-percussion

Program Note for George Crumb's An Idyll for the Misbegotten:

I feel that "misbegotten" well describes the fateful and melancholy predicament of the species homo sapiens at the present moment in time. Mankind has become ever more "illegitimate" in the natural world of plants and animals. The ancient sense of brotherhood with all life-forms (so poignantly expressed in the poetry of St. Francis of Assisi) has gradually and relentlessly eroded, and consequently we find ourselves monarchs of a dying world. We share the fervent hope that humankind will embrace anew nature's "moral imperative."

My little *Idyll* was inspired by these thoughts. Flute and drum are, to me (perhaps by association with ancient ethnic musics), those instruments which most powerfully evoke the voice of nature. I have suggested that ideally (even if impractically) my *Idyll* should be "heard form a far, over a lake, on a moonlit evening in August."

An Idyll for the Misbegotten evokes the haunting theme of Claude Debussy's Syrinx (for solo flute, 1912). There is also a short quotation from the eighth century Chinese poet Ssu-K'ung Shu:

"The moon goes down. There are shivering birds and withering grasses."

**GEORGE CRUMB**