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Program

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47 Brandenburg Concerto No. 3, Movement 1, Allegro J.S. Bach (1685-1750)
arranged by Diana Schrader

371 Intermezzo from Cavalleria Rusticana 479 Pietro Mascagni (1863-1945)
arranged by Lynden De Young

571 Quatour pour saxophones Pierre Max Dubois (1930-1995)
I. Ouverture
(676) I. Doloroso
(743) III. Spirituoso
IV. Andante-Presto.

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p22 Bee's Knees 1123 Lennie Niehaus (b. 1929)

The Chapman Saxophone Ensemble:

Carlos Hernandez-soprano saxophone and alto saxophone, Alexa Burn-alto saxophone, Christian Mininsohn-alto saxophone, Matthew Mattila-tenor saxophone and Martin Caestecker-baritone saxophone.

There Will Never Be Another You Harry Warren (1893-1981)

Martin Caestecker-baritone saxophone and
Gary Matsuura-alto saxophone

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About the Artists

GARY MATSUURA

Gary Matsuura enjoys an active career as a composer, arranger, music educator and performer of saxophones, flutes and clarinets. Equally at home in jazz and classical idioms, his compositions and arrangements have been performed by professional orchestras, big bands and school ensembles. He has served as music director, arranger and lead woodwind with the Tokyo Disneyland Band, and in the same capacity for other professional productions.

As a performer, Mr. Matsuura was a featured soloist in a performance with Celine Dion and Rosie O'Donnell in the Celine Dion Christmas Special "These Are Special Times" shown on CBS. In addition, he has played back-up to such entertainers as Helen O'Connell, the Temptations and the Four Tops. His saxophone, flute and clarinet artistry can be heard on CD recordings of various artists such as Phillip Keveren, Art Davis, Jan Jordan, Debbi Ebert and Kathy Williams. He is the founder of CCA Jazz Quintet, a collaborative ensemble of composers/performers that are dedicated to creating new works for the idiom. (YouTube: CCA Jazz Quintet).

Gary has presented over 25 world premieres of various composers, including substantial works by the late Fred Katz (1919-2013).

A dedicated music educator, Mr. Matsuura has been teaching for over 40 years. For 23 years, he has been on faculty at the Hall-Musco Conservatory of Music at Chapman University; where he established the Chapman University Big Band and Jazz Combo (now directed by Albert Alva) and the current curriculum for classical and jazz saxophone, jazz improvisation and woodwind pedagogy. He is the director of the Chapman University Saxophone Ensemble. He is also a frequent adjudicator and clinician at scholastic jazz festivals. His present and former students have honored him by winning many prestigious awards and scholarships and by working as professional musicians and music educators in the United States and Japan.

In addition to extensive private studies in late 18th counterpoint in the style of J.S. Bach from the late Allen Davis and private studies in jazz improvisation from jazz legend Phil Woods, Gary Matsuura holds a Bachelor of Music Degree in Music Education from California State University, Fullerton and the Diploma in Composition and Arranging from the Dick Grove School of Music. Gary Matsuura is a Yamaha Performing Artist, playing exclusively Yamaha saxophones, flutes and clarinets.

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on the Arts

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- Production costs for the 100-plus live performances of dance, music, theatre and opera the College produces each year;
- Recruitment of professional visiting artists for master classes and performances on campus;
- Scholarships and travel funds for our student touring ensembles and conferences.

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Please invest generously in the Fund for Excellence and in the College of Performing Arts, as I do, and your gift will be one of the most rewarding experiences you can have when you watch our young artists develop right before your eyes.

Our doors are always open for you, so join us again soon at one of our many performances and events this season!

Sincerely yours,

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