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Finlandia	Jean Sibelius (1865-1957) Words by Veikko Antero Koskenniemi Arranged and adapted by Mark J. Davey
Bogoroditsye Dyevo	Sergei Rachmaninov (1873-1943) Words from the Liturgy of Verspers
Overture to the Marriage of F	igaro Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756-1791) Arranged by Merle J. Isaac
Now is the Month of Maying	Thomas Morley (1557?-1602) Words by an unknown author
The Road Not Taken	Randall Thompson (1899-1984) Words by Robert Frost
España Rhapsody	Emmanuel Chabrier (1841-1894)
-20 Minute Intermission-	
Theme from Sesame Street	Joe Raposo, Jon Stone, and Bruce Hart Arranged by Denis Diblasio Adapted by Bob Lowden
Moanin'	Bobby Timmons Arranged by Mark Taylor
Soon Ah Will Be Done	Words and music by William L. Dawson (1899-1990)
William Tell Overture	Giacomo Rossini (1792-1868) Arranged by David Andrew
Londonderry Air ("Danny Boy	") Traditional Irish Folk Melody Words by Frederick Edward Weatherly Arranged by Peter Knight Adapted by Philip Lawson
Shenandoah	Traditional American Folksong Arranged by James Erb
Music from Gladiator	Hans Zimmer (b. 1957) Arranged by John Wasson
Beatles in Revue	Words and music by John Lennon and Paul McCartney Arranged by Ed Lojeski
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Original orchestral accompaniment by Mark J. Davey

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English-Speaking Music Ensembles (ESME) e.V.

ESME e.V. is a non-profit organization dedicated to establishing and promoting English-speaking music ensembles in Munich. In just three years, we have grown into an organization with over 80 members and three established ensembles. Our musicians come from a wide array of places and professional backgrounds, many of us from English-speaking countries around the world. For more information, please visit our website at **www.esme-ev.de**.

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We hope you enjoy the show!



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Special Guest: Members of the Munich Ladies' Choir

The Munich Ladies' Choir have been singing since 1993, with members representing countries across all continents. Their international repertoire has included songs in Bavarian German, English, French, Italian, Russian, Spanish, Swedish, Swiss German and Welsh. To have a common platform for communication, their working language is English. They are directed by Ruth Atzinger, a graduate of Munich's Ludwig Maximilians Universität, who has also completed postgraduate studies in vocal jazz at the Royal Conservatoire in The Hague.

Mark Davey, Conductor

In addition to playing clarinet, piano, and tenor saxophone, Mark has founded and led numerous ensembles. His formal music education at school and university culminated in his winning the ICL Best Project prize for his undergraduate thesis Computer System for Harmonisation of Melodies. His research for his MSc at the University of York in Music Technology resulted in Simulation of Concert Hall *Reverberation*. His interest in both music and technology led him to the broadcast industry where he designed audio systems - including the first multi-channel voice-over IP broadcast communications system - before moving on to High Definition video processing at Sony Broadcast in 2000. Since 2007, Mark has revived his musical interests and offered his services to the TT Orchestra & Singers. He lives with his extremely patient and understanding partner Belinda.



Eric Weddle, Conductor

Eric has been involved in music for most of his life - from his high school marching band, university jazz band, university choir, musical theater and barbershop quartets, to teaching general music and directing school choirs for the last fifteen years. He holds masters degrees in Music Education and Instructional Technology and currently resides and teaches in Garmisch-Partenkirchen. Eric would like to thank his family for their patience and understanding and ESME e.V. for this wonderful opportunity.

Daniel Plappert, Tenor Soloist

Daniel, aged 31, learned to read music and play guitar at a relatively young age. After a long break from music, he picked up an old family violin and eventually taught himself to play. In 2008, he joined the TT Orchestra & Singers as violinist and tenor. Having German-British parentage, he feels at home with the mixed bunch that makes up Munich's 'Toytown' crowd. Daniel works in the media business. He started out as a video editor in television. enabling news items to make it on air in the nick of time. Currently, he works for a film post production company, where he takes care of the smooth running of systems used for the high-end polishing of pretty images.



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> Percussion Guy Benson









On Friday, April 22, 2011, ESME e.V. became an officially registered organization with the German government. As such, ESME e.V. proudly presents its first concert *A Summer Cocktail*. In accordance with our mission, tonight we celebrate with a variety of music from traditional to folk, and film to pop. The selections you will hear include music from Russia to America. We bring you performances by the TT Orchestra and Singers and introduce our new TT Big Band. This mixture of ensembles, music genres, periods and nationalities reflects our organization's own diversity. Just like a good summer cocktail, with its mix of colors and flavors, whether shaken or stirred, we hope you enjoy every note!

We begin our concert tonight with a work written during a prolific period in Jean Sibelius' life. *Finlandia*, originally written for a nationalist pageant in Helsinki and later adopted as one of Finland's national anthems, was composed in 1899 at the same time as his *Symphony No. 1* and *King Christian II* among several other large works. The *First Symphony* and *Finlandia* became expressions of Finnish nationalism during the fight for independence from over 700 years of Russian and Swedish domination and established Sibelius' reputation throughout Europe. This evening you will hear an arrangement of the original orchestral work which includes the anthem sung by the TT Singers.

We continue our concert with Sergei Rachmaninov's **Bogoroditsye Dyevo**, song six of the All Night Vigil, Op. 37 written in 1915. Although Rachmaninov composed little after the outbreak of World War I, he did manage to write the Vsenoshchnoye bdeniye ('All-Night Vigil'), Op. 37, regarded by many as his finest unaccompanied choral work. Rachmaninov wrote this large unaccompanied choral work at a time when Russia's politics were in upheaval. Despite the chaotic political and national background, the All Night Vigil sets the words from the Liturgy of Vespers and is at once both powerful and serene. Tonight you will hear the Ave Maria (Bogoroditsye Dyevo) sung in its original Russian.





The lively **Overture to the Marriage of Figaro** of Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart sets the stage for his chaotic and hilarious opera. Mozart deliberately left out the typical middle section (development) to add excitement before the "crazy day" of Act I. This charming piece often stands on its own in orchestral concerts.

From Mozart to Morley, *Now is the Month of Maying* is arguably the oldest piece in our program tonight. Published in 1595, it is one of the most famous to come out of the English madrigal canon. Thomas Morley, the composer who most attribute to introducing madrigals to English song history, wrote this charming song among volumes of other madrigals published at the time - a time which included Queen Elizabeth and Shakespeare. Like many madrigals, this one uses its spring images as metaphors for sex. The energy of the song's rhythm also contributes to its dance-like quality and flirtation.

Highly respected and acclaimed composer Randall Thompson was one of the principal American composers of the 20th century. Famous for his choral compositions, *The Road Not Taken* from *Frostiana*, is a collection of settings of Robert Frost poems. It is considered one of his finest works and, as with much of Thompson's choral music, "has been more widely performed than that of any other American composer up to his time." Thompson's setting of the famous poem by Robert Frost beautifully delivers Frost's message while contributing its own additional meaning to the words. One of America's favorites, we share with you this contemplative piece on life and the paths we choose to take.

We close our first half with **España**, a piece full of exuberance and color. French composer Emmanuel Chabrier composed *España*, his most famous orchestral work, in 1883. *España* became so popular after its première that many claim it is solely responsible for the rise in Spanish-influenced music



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in the 19th and early 20th centuries. Listen for the motifs and themes played by an assortment of instruments and sections in the orchestra.

Our second half begins with two jazz selections. Both the **Theme from Sesame Street** and **Moanin'** were written in the 20th century. The first was composed by Joe Raposo as the theme song for the children's television show Sesame Street, an award winning show that an estimated 77 million Americans have watched as children among many others worldwide. This version was made famous by Maynard Ferguson. Moanin' was composed by Bobby Timmons and first performed by him on piano in Art Blakey's famous Jazz Messengers. Both Moanin' and the Theme from Sesame Street introduce our TT Big Band tonight.

William Dawson was an African-American composer, professor and choral director. He is best known for his variations and arrangements of traditional African-American spirituals. To this day, his spirituals are performed in professional and school choirs across the U.S. *Soon Ah Will Be Done* is an example of such a spiritual. Driven by its dotted rhythms and quickly increasing and decreasing dynamics, this piece is propelled forward until it closes with one glorious major chord.

We continue our exciting second half with an arrangement of the **William Tell Overture**. Giacomo Rossini's last opera *William Tell* contains some of his most charming music. The overture sets the stage in the Swiss Alps, and opens with "Dawn" in the cellos and double basses. "Dawn" is followed by "Storm", "Call to the Cows" and finally, "Finale" which includes the thunderous gallop many recognize as the music of the Lone Ranger, a popular American radio and television show of the 1950s and 60s.



Next, we present James Erb's arrangement of the American classic, *Shenandoah* and the King's Singers' version of *Danny Boy (Londonderry Air)* together because they are both traditional folk songs from America and Ireland, respectively. Both songs set texts that express longing for someone or something from the past. Their wistful melodies help emphasize the nostalgia of those texts. Both their melodic and sentimental themes also make them accessible to everyone, as appropriate to "folk" songs.

Though Hans Zimmer's *Music from Gladiator* begins as wistfully as the last two folksongs, it rapidly changes to portray the grandeur of ancient Rome. The soundtrack for this epic film was released in 2000. Not since the *Titanic* music was released was such film music in high demand.

Moving from the big screen to the big stage, we end our concert tonight with a medley of Beatles music in **Beatles** *in Revue*. This compilation includes Daytripper, A Hard Day's Night, Can't Buy Me Love, Eleanor Rigby, Ticket to Ride, Let It Be, She Loves You, All My Loving, Yesterday, The Long and Winding Road, Sgt. Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band, All You Need Is Love, Michelle, I Want to Hold Your Hand, and Hey Jude.

We invite everyone to join us in singing this final celebratory number.



Finlandia

Oi, Suomi, katso, sinun päiväs' koittaa, Yön uhka karkoitettu on jo pois, Ja aamun kiuru kirkkaudessa soittaa, Kuin itse taivahan kansi sois'. Yön vallat aamun valkeus jo voittaa, Sun päiväs' koittaa, oi synnyinmaa.

Bogoroditsye Dyevo

Bogoroditse Devo, raduisya, Blagodatnaya Mariye, Gospod s Toboyu. Blagoslovenna Ty v zhenakh, i blagosloven plod chreva Tvoyego, yako Spasa rodila esi dush nashikh.

Now is the Month of Maying

Now is the month of Maying, When merry lads are playing, fa la,

Each with his bonny lass A-dancing on the grass.

Fa la.

The Spring, clad all in gladness, Doth laugh at Winter's sadness, fa la, Finland, behold, thy daylight now is dawning, The threat of night has now been dri'en away The skylark calls across the light of morning The blue of he'en lets it have its way And now the day the po'ers of night is scorning: Thy daylight dawns, O Finland of ours!

Rejoice, O Virgin Theotokos, Mary full of grace, the Lord is with Thee. Blessed art Thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of Thy womb, for Thou hast borne the Savior of our souls.

And to the bagpipes' sound The nymphs tread out the ground. Fa la.

Fie, then, why sit we musing, Youth's sweet delight refusing? Fa la.

Say, dainty nymphs, and speak, Shall we play barley-break? Fa la.



The Road Not Taken

Two roads diverged in a yellow wood, And sorry I could not travel both And be one traveler, long I stood And looked down one as far as I could To where it bent in the undergrowth;

Then took the other, as just as fair, And having perhaps the better claim, Because it was grassy and wanted wear; Though as for that the passing there Had worn them really about the same, And both that morning equally lay In leaves no step had trodden black. Oh, I kept the first for another day! Yet knowing how way leads on to way, I doubted if I should ever come back.

I shall be telling this with a sigh Somewhere ages and ages hence: Two roads diverged in a wood, and I--I took the one less traveled by, And that has made all the difference.

Londonderry Air (Danny Boy)

Oh Danny Boy the pipes, the pipes are calling, From glen to glen and down the mountain side, The summer's gone and all the roses falling, 'Tis you, 'tis you must go and I must bide.

> But come ye back when summer's in the meadow, Or when the valley's hushed and white with snow, 'Tis I'll be here in sunshine or in shadow, Oh Danny Boy, oh Danny Boy, I love you so.

But when ye come and all the flow'rs are dying, If I am dead, as dead I well may be, Ye'll come and find the place where I am lying, And kneel and say an "Ave" there for me.

And I shall hear, though soft, your tread above me, And all my grave will warmer, sweeter be, For you will bend and tell me that you love me, And I shall sleep in peace until you come to me.



Shenandoah

O Shenandoah, I long to see you And hear your rolling river, O Shenandoah, I long to see you Away, we're bound away, Across the wide Missouri.

I long to see your smiling valley, And hear your rolling river, I long to see your smiling valley, Away, we're bound away, Across the wide Missouri. 'Tis seven long years since last I see you, And hear your rolling river, 'Tis seven long years since last I see you, Away, we're bound away, Across the wide Missouri.

O Shenandoah, I long to see you, And hear your rolling river, O Shenandoah, I long to see you, Away, we're bound away, Across the wide Missouri. O Shenandoah, O Shenandoah

Soon Ah Will Be Done

Soon ah will be don' a-wid de troubles ob de worl' Troubles ob de worl', de troubles ob de worl'. Soon ah will be don' a-wid de troubles ob de worl' Goin' home t' live wid God.

I wan' t' to meet my mother I wan' t' to meet my mother I wan' t' to meet my mother I'm goin t' live wid God. No more weepin' an' a-wailin' No more weepin' an' a-wailin' No more weepin' an' a-wailin' I'm goin' t' live wid God.

I wan' t' meet my Jesus I wan' t' meet my Jesus I wan' t' meet my Jesus I'm goin' t' live wid God.

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