

### **Presents**

## Franz Faeldo, tenor

In a

## **Graduation Recital**

Assisted by Gregory Knight, piano

From the Studio of Dr. Sandra Stringer

4:00pm

April 13, 2024

**Recital Hall** 

### ~~ PROGRAMME ~~

Ciel e terra armi di sdegno (from *Tamerlano*) Georg Frideric Handel

(1685-1759)

Franz Schubert From Schwanengesang

Ständchen (1797-1828)

Der Atlas

Amor mi fa cantare Stefano Donaudy Vaghissima sembianza (1879-1925)

Freschi luoghi, prati aulenti

The Apple Orchard Lori Laitman Dear Future Roommate (b. 1955)

### ~~ INTERMISSION ~~

En fermant les yeux (from *Manon*) Jules Massenet

(1842-1912)

Two Filipino Songs Nicanor Abelardo Bituing Marikit (1893-1934)Ugoy ng Duyan Lucio San Pedro

(1913-2002)

D'une prison Reynaldo Hahn Mai

(1874-1947)Á Chloris

Gethsemane (from *Jesus Christ Superstar*) Andrew Lloyd Webber

(b. 1948)

### ~~ TRANSLATIONS ~~

### Ciel e terra armi di sdegno (Heaven and earth weapons of indignation)

May heaven and earth be armed with anger, I will die undefeated, I will be strong. He who despises both peace and the throne cannot fear death

# Ständchen (Serenade)

Softly my songs plead through the night to you; down into the silent grove, beloved, come to me!

Slender treetops whisper and rustle in the moonlight; my darling, do not fear that the hostile betrayer will overhear us.

Do you not hear the nightingales call? Ah, they are imploring you; with their sweet, plaintive songs they are imploring for me.

They understand the heart's yearning, they know the pain of love; with their silvery notes they touch every tender heart.

Let your heart, too, be moved, beloved, hear me!
Trembling, I await you!
Come, make me happy!

#### Der Atlas

I, unhappy Atlas, must bear a world, the whole world of sorrows. I bear the unbearable, and my heart would break within my body.

Proud heart, you wished it so! You wished to be happy, endlessly happy or endlessly wretched, proud heart! And now you are wretched!

## Amor mi fa cantare (Love makes me sing)

Love makes me sing
To speak the hidden praises
Of two bright eyes
And of two idle lips.
If I think of that look,
The sun seems to me offended
And I blaze and burn completely
If I think of those lips.
If then, as usual,
She looks at me and talks a little,
I am like wax in the sun:
I melt entirely.

But in vain I have trotted behind her For almost an entire year; In vain, changing meter, I show myself audacious or haughty. If I direct a word to her, From laughing she cannot hold herself up... Do I write her a song? She reads it and doesn't read it. If then, as usual, She looks at me and talks a little, I am like wax in the sun: I melt entirely.

# Vaghissima sembianza (Very charming image)

Very charming image of a woman formerly loved, who, then, has portrayed you with so much similarity that I look, and I speak, and I believe to have you before me as in the beautiful days of love?

The dear remembrance which has been awakened in my heart so ardently has revived my hopes, so that a kiss, a vow, a cry of love? More I do not ask of her who is silent forever.

# Freschi luoghi, prati aulenti (Cool places, fragrant meadows)

Cool places, fragrant meadows, Remain always in flower; Let not summer sow seed in you, Let not autumn carry you away, Let not the dead season take away So much magical splendor. I want one day to ramble with her Amidst softness so green, When at last my pangs She will show herself to understand.

Cool places, fragrant meadows, Remain always in flower.
Let not any season take away
So much magical splendor.
And you then, clear streamlets,
Which already are running to the sea,
Don't be miserly with your waters
In the late season of the year,
Don't you join also the deception
Of a prosperity so brief.
I want one day to be reflected with her
In your clarity,
When at last my pangs
She will show herself to understand.

# Bituing Marikit (Beautiful Star)

Beautiful star, in the eve of life Your every sparkle brings joy in sight Oh may you please guide my destiny And your light be shared with me

A love that's planted in my heart What I most revered inside my heart Your brilliance that I always yearn for You are my dream, oh beautiful star

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# Ugoy ng Duyan (Lulling Cradle)

Those good old days, I pray won't fade When I was young and in Mother's care Oh, to hear dear Mother's lullaby again The song of love as she rocked my cradle.

In my deep and peaceful slumber The stars watch over me in vigil Life was like heaven in the arms of Mother Now my heart longs for the lulling cradle.

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Lull me, Mother, in my dear old cradle Oh, Mother.

### En fermant les yeux

Recit: It's true...my mind is raving! But happiness is transitory, and heaven has made it so fleet that one is always afraid it will fly away! To the table! Enchanting moment when apprehension is suspended when we two are alone! Listen, Manon: while walking, I just had a dream.

Aria: Closing my eyes, I see over there a humble retreat— a cottage all white in the depth of the woods! In its tranquil shade the clear and joyful brooks, in which the foliage is mirrored, sing with the birds! It is paradise! Oh, no! Everything there is sad and gloomy. For there is one thing missing: It still needs Manon! Come there our life will be. If you wish it, Oh Manon!

### D'une Prison (From a Prison)

The sky, over the roof, is So blue, so calm! A tree, over the roof. Is rocking its fronds. The bell, in the sky that you see, Gently rings. A bird on the tree that you see, Plaintively sings. My God, my God, life is there, Simple, and sound. That peaceful murmuring there Comes in from the town. What have you done, O you, Now shedding endless tears, Tell me, what have you done, O you, With your young years? The sky, over the roof Is so blue, so calm!

### Mai (May)

It is a month, dear exile, Since you vanished from my gaze, And I have watched the lilacs bloom With my sorrow unassuaged. Alone, I avoid these lovely clear skies, Whose blazing rays disquiet me, For an exile's dread increases With the splendour of nature's renewal. In vain the sun has smiled: I close my door to the spring, And wish only to be brought A lilac branch in bloom! For Love, which fills my heart to overflowing, Finds among its sorrows Your gaze in the midst of those dear flowers. And in their fragrance your sweet breath!

# A Chloris (To Chloris)

If it be true, Chloris, that you love me, (And I'm told you love me dearly), I do not believe that even kings Can match the happiness I know. Even death would be powerless To alter my fortune With the promise of heavenly bliss! All that they say of ambrosia Does not stir my imagination Like the favour of your eyes!