

National Gallery of Art WASHINGTON, D. C.

ELEVENTH AMERICAN MUSIC FESTIVAL

Under the direction of RICHARD BALES

SUNDAY EVENINGS
APRIL 4, 11, 18, 25, AND MAY 2
1954

AT EIGHT O'CLOCK

IN THE WEST GARDEN COURT

These concerts are broadcast by Station WGMS and the Good Music Network.

558th Concert

Sunday, April 4, 1954, 8:00 P.M.

The A. W. Mellon Concerts

LEONARD EISNER, Pianist

EDWARD MAcDowell Sonata No. 1, Opus 45, "Tragica"

Largo maestoso—Allegro risoluto Molto Allegro—Vivace Largo con maesta Allegro eroico

Intermission

CHARLES T. GRIFFES Three Tone Pictures

The Lake at Evening
The Vale of Dreams
The Night Winds

GEORGE GERSHWIN Three Preludes

Allegro ben ritmato e deciso
Andante con moto e poco rubato
Allegro ben ritmato e deciso

The Whippoorwill

John Alden Carpenter Tango Américain

Arr. by David W. Guion Turkey in the Straw

Mr. Eisner appears through arrangement with David W. Rubin Artists Management, Steinway Hall, New York City.

559th Concert

Sunday, April 11, 1954, 8:00 P.M.

The A. W. Mellon Concerts

JOHN JACOB NILES

In a Program of American Folk Music

I. Love Songs

The Little Mohee
Turtle Dove
Waly, Waly
If What I have Known is Love
Go 'Way from My Window

II. Carols

Matthew, Mark, Luke and John The May Carol The Queen of Pity The Death of Thomas A'Becket I Wonder as I Wander

III. Nursery Rhymes

Posheen, Posheen, Posho I Had a Cat Frog Went A-Courtin' The Frog in the Spring

IV. Child Ballads

The Farmer's Curst Wife Barbary Ellen Mary Hamilton The Hangman

560th Concert

Sunday, April 18, 1954, 8:00 P.M.

The A. W. Mellon Concerts

THE AMERICAN UNIVERSITY QUINTET

GEORGE STEINER, First Violin

DONALD RADDING, Second Violin

LEON FELDMAN, Viola

MORRIS KIRSHBAUM, Cello

EVELYN SWARTHOUT, Piano

Kurt George Roger String Trio, Opus 42

Lento assai—Allegro moderato Adagio molto—Vivace Scherzo—Finale

(First performance in Washington)

ULYSSES KAY Piano Quintet

Allegretto—Allegro Adagio Allegro

(First performance in Washington)

Intermission

Samuel Barber Serenade for String Quartet, Opus 1

Un poco Adagio—Allegro con spirito Andante con moto Dance: Allegro giocoso

GARDNER READ Piano Quintet, Opus 47, In One Movement (First performance in Washington)

561st Concert

Sunday, April 25, 1954, 8:00 P.M.

The A. W. Mellon Concerts

NATIONAL GALLERY ORCHESTRA

RICHARD BALES, Conductor

PARKS GRANT Suite No. 2, for String Orchestra, Opus 43 Prelude Aria Fugue (First performance in Washington) THEODORE F. FITCH Divertimento for Chamber Orchestra Allegretto Adagio Andante Allegro Vivace (First performance) INTERMISSION Burrill Phillips Concerto Grosso for String Quartet and Small Orchestra Allegro con brio Grave Vivace (First performance in Washington) THE AMERICAN UNIVERSITY QUARTET George Steiner, First Violin Donald Radding, Second Violin Morris Kirshbaum, Cello LEON FELDMAN, Viola Douglas Moore Village Music Square Dance Procession Nocturne Jig WILLIAM GRAVES March for Small Orchestra

562nd Concert

Sunday, May 2, 1954, 8:00 P.M.

NATIONAL GALLERY ORCHESTRA

RICHARD BALES, Conductor

Passacaglia, for "The Adoration of the Shepherds" (Giorgione) Interlude, for "Saint John in the Desert" (Veneziano) Scherzo, for "Italian Comedians" (Watteau)

Walter Piston Suite from the Ballet, "The Incredible Flutist"

Introduction
Dance of the Vendors
Entrance of the Customers
Tango of the Four Daughters
Arrival of the Circus and Circus March
Solo of the Flutist
Minuet—Dance of the Widow and the Merchant
Spanish Waltz
Eight O'Clock Strikes
Siciliano
Dance of the Flutist and the Merchant's Daughter
Polka Finale

Intermission

CHARLES IVES Symphony No. 2, for Large Orchestra (1897-1901)

Andante moderato—Allegro
Adagio cantabile
Lento maestoso—Allegro molto e vivace
(First Performance in Washington)

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