NATIONAL GALLERY OF ART CONCERTS

December, 1988 — January, 1989

December

- 4 Sanford Sylvan, *baritone*David Breitman, *piano*Songs by Wolf, Barber and Fauré
- 11 Lawrence Schubert, *piano*Works by Mozart, Beethoven and Liszt
- 18 National Gallery Orchestra, with The Maryland Camerata Christmas Concert
- 25 No concert; Gallery closed

January

- 1 No concert; Gallery closed
- 8 National Gallery Orchestra George Manos, Conductor Gala New Year's Concert; Music of Vienna
- 15 Thomas Schumacher, piano Works by Beethoven, Scriabin and Mussorgsky
- 22 The Whitney Trio
 Michi Sugiura, violin
 Diana Fish, cello
 Stephen Wogaman, piano
 Works by Beethoven, Kirchner and
 Mendelssohn
- 29 Brian Ganz, *piano*Works by Ravel, Dutilleux, Chopin
 and Vlahopoulos

Concerts are open to the public, free of charge.

THE WILLIAM NELSON CROMWELL CONCERTS

National Gallery of Art

1914th Concert



NATIONAL GALLERY ORCHESTRA GEORGE MANOS, Conductor THE MARYLAND CAMERATA SAMUEL GORDON, Director

Beverly Benso, contralto Samuel Gordon, tenor Robert Kennedy, baritone Stephen Ackert, portative organ

Sunday Evening, December 18, 1988 at seven o'clock West Building, West Garden Court

PROGRAM

Johann Sebastian Bach

THE CHRISTMAS ORATORIO: Cantatas 1 and 2 (Sung in German)

I

Cantata No. 1 (For the First Day of Christmas)

Chorus: Christians, Be Joyful

Recitative (tenor): Now it Came to Pass in Those Days

Recitative (contralto): See Now the Bridegroom, Full of Grace

Aria (soprano): Prepare Thyself, Zion Chorale: How Shall I Fitly Meet Thee

Recitative (tenor): And She Brought Forth Her First-born Son

Chorale and Recitative (sopranos and baritone):

For Us to Earth He Cometh Poor

Recitative (baritone): Who Rightly Can the Love Declare

Aria (baritone): Mighty Lord and King All Glorious

Chorale: Ah! Dearest Jesus, Holy Child

INTERMISSION (Twelve minutes)

II

Cantata No. 2 (For the Second Day of Christmas)

Pastoral Symphony

Recitative (tenor): And There Were Shepherds in the Same Country

Chorale: Break Forth, O Beauteous Heavenly Light

Recitative (tenor): And the Angel Said to Them

Recitative (baritone): What God to Abraham Revealed

Aria (tenor): Haste, Ye Shepherds

Recitative (tenor): And This is the Sign to You.

Chorale: Within Yon Gloomy Manger Lies the Lord

Recitative (baritone): O, Haste Ye Then

Aria (alto): Slumber, Beloved

Recitative (tenor): And Suddenly There Was With the Angel

Chorus: Glory to God in the Highest

Recitative (baritone): 'Tis Right That Angels Thus Should Sing

Chorale: With All Thy Hosts, O Lord, We Sing

III

The audience is invited to join the orchestra and choir in singing the following carols, using the words provided in the program insert.

HARK! THE HERALD ANGELS SING

O COME, ALL YE FAITHFUL

SILENT NIGHT

ANGELS WE HAVE HEARD ON HIGH

JOY TO THE WORLD

WE WISH YOU A MERRY CHRISTMAS

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