CONCERTS AT THE NATIONAL GALLERY OF ART

March and April 1992

MARCH

8 University of Wisconsin Concert Choir Robert Fountain, *Director* J.S. Bach: Jesu, meine Freude Britten: Hymn to St. Cecilia Messiaen: O sacrum convivium Argento: In Praise of Apollo

15 Paul Galbraith, guitarist (Honoring the exhibitions: Guercino Drawings from Windsor Castle and Guercino: Master of Baroque) Laurencini: Fantasias da Milano: Ricercare Frescobaldi: Variations on "La Frescobalda" Ponce: Las folias de España

22 The Vienna String Trio

Bach/Mozart: Adagio and Fugue Von Einem: Trio, Opus 74 Beethoven: Serenade, Opus 8

29 Peter Vinograde, pianist

Music of J.S. Bach: Fifteen
Two-part Inventions, BWV 772-786
Goldberg Variations, BWV 988

APRIL

THE 49th AMERICAN MUSIC FESTIVAL (Saturday, April 4 through Sunday, May 3)

4 BBC Big Band, Barry Forgie, Conductor, with George Shearing, pianist, Angela Christian, vocalist and Neil Swainson, bassist

Jazz Concert: "Salute to the Age of Swing" (Note: This concert begins at 2:00 pm)

5 National Gallery Orchestra George Manos, *Conductor* Works Robert Ward, John LaMontaine, Morton Gould, and Richard Bales

12 William Wolfram, pianist

Meyer Kupferman: Snow; Twilight Sonana William Wolfram: Work #2 (1991) Edward Applebaum: Arioso (1989) Gershwin: Three Preludes

19 Pennsylvania Wind Quintet

Irving Fine: Partita (1946)
Persichetti: Pastoral, Opus 21
Ingolf Dahl: Allegro and Arioso (1942)
Steven Stucky: Serenade for Wind
Quintet (1990)

26 Maryland Camerata Samuel Gordon, Conductor Morton Lauridsen: Italian Madrigals
Samuel Gordon: Songs from the Seventh
Ring (Poems by S. Georg)
Vincent Persichetti: Flower Songs

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March 22, 1992

THE VIENNA STRING TRIO

JAN POSPICHAL, violin WOLFGANG KLOS, viola WILFRIED REHM, violoncello

PROGRAM

J.S. Bach, arr. Mozart	Adagio and Fugue Largo and Fugue (K. 404)
Gottfried von Einem (b. 1918)	Adagio Allegro Adagio Allegro

INTERMISSION (Twelve minutes)

> Andante Marcia

The Vienna String Trio is an internationally acclaimed string ensemble whose membership consists of three first chair players of the Vienna Symphony Orchestra. The group was formed in 1972 by Wilfried Rehm, cellist, and since then it has performed in most of the major music centers of Europe. The trio's repertoire features the music of Austrian composers.

Violinist JAN POSPICHAL is a native of Prague, Czechoslovakia. His career began with studies at the Prague Conservatory, and continued under the tutelage of Nathan Milstein and Franz Samohyl. His career spans three first prizes in competitions, including the Mozart Competition in Salzburg, and in 1979 he became first concertmaster of the Vienna Symphony Orchestra. Mr. Pospichal currently uses a violin made by Louis Germain in 1865.

Violist WOLFGANG KLOS was born in Vienna and attended the Vienna Academy of Music where he studied with Hatto Bayerle. Immediately after graduation he was appointed principal violist with the Tonhalle Orchestra in Zurich, and in 1981 he was appointed first violist with the Vienna Symphony Orchestra. Since 1985 he has also taught at his alma mater, the Vienna Academy. Mr. Klos performs on a viola made by G.B. Ceruti in 1780.

Cellist WILFRIED REHM began his music studies at the music Conservatory in Winterthur, Switzerland with Prof. Hans Thomann and continued at the Music Academy in Vienna with Walter Reichardt. His career has included working with Pierre Fournier in Geneva and filling the position of first cellist with the Zurich Radio Orchestra. He was appointed first cellist with the Vienna State Orchestra in 1972.

In contrast to contemporary audiences, Mozart's society demanded new music at almost every concert. The music of Bach was regarded as out of date and heavy, and was never performed; however, three of Bach's sons were influential in the development of classical forms, and were well known to the young Mozart. This neglect of J. S. Bach's work continued until 1829, when Mendelssohn reintroduced Bach's baroque masterpieces into standard repertoire.

On April 10, 1782, Mozart participated in a matinee at the home of Baron van Swieten in Vienna. The party was formed in order to read through the fugal music of Handel and J. S. Bach. Afterwards, Mozart wrote to his father that J. S. Bach was as great a composer as either Emanuel or Friedemann Bach; this realization was the impetus for arranging three of Bach's keyboard pieces for string trio. The arrangement is one of only three string trio pieces by Mozart, and in this case the form was used to replicate the fugue voices on the organ. The works were completed for a subsquent afternoon of house music at the van Swieten residence.

Gottfried von Einem is an Austrian neo-classical composer born in 1918. When he was twenty, he was already a coach at the Berlin *Staatsoper* and the Bayreuth *Festspielhaus*. After World War II, von Einem emerged as one of the foremost neo-classical composers, whose music is an accessible blend of Viennese musical traditions and the compostional freedoms of the twentieth century, In 1985 the Vienna String Trio premiered the *Trio*, Opus 74 in the *Schubertssaal* of Vienna's historic *Konzerthaus*.

notes by Celise Kalke