CONCERTS AT THE NATIONAL GALLERY OF ART

February and March 1993

Dates and Performers **FEBRUAŘY 1993**

21 Angela Hewitt, pianist *Programs* (Subject to change) Bach: Partita No. 5, BWV 829

Chopin: The Four Impromptus Granados: Spanish Dances, Volume 2

Mozart: Overture to

Opus 66

BWV 1030

Brahms: Sonata No. 1 in G Major Ravel: Pièce en forme de habanera Franck: Sonata for Violin and Piano

"The Marriage of Figaro"

I. S. Bach: Sonata in B Minor.

Messaien: La merle noir

Brahms: Serenade No. 1 in D Major

Copland: Duo for Flute and Piano

Sibelius: Scènes historiques,

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7 National Gallery Orchestra George Manos, Conductor

Young Uck Kim, violinist

Klaus Hellwig, pianist

- Eugenia Zukerman, flutist 14 Dennis Helmrich, pianist Honoring the exhibition William M. Harnett
- National Gallery Vocal Arts A concert of Bach arias 21 Ensemble George Manos, Artistic Director Rosa Lamoreaux, soprano Beverly Benso, contralto Samuel Gordon, tenor Robert Kennedy, baritone With members of the National Gallery Orchestra, George Manos, Conductor
- 28 The Bergen (Norway) Wind Quintet Gro Sandvik, flute Steinar Hannevold, oboe Lars Kristian Hom Brynildsen, Françaix: Quartet clarinet Vidar Olsen, French horn Per Hannevold, bassoon Honoring the Edvard Grieg Anniversary Year

Anton Reicha: Quintet, Opus 88, No. 2 Harald Saeverud: Quintet, Opus 21a Grieg: Dances and Songs, Opus 17 Nielsen: Quintet, Opus 43

THE WILLIAM NELSON CROMWELL and F. LAMMOT BELIN CONCERTS

at the

National Gallery of Art



2075th Concert

THE GRIEG TRIO

Sølve Sigerland, violin

Ellen Margrete Flesjø, cello

Vebjørn Anvik, piano

Concerts from the National Gallery are broadcast in their entirety at 7:00 p.m. on Sundays on radio station WGTS, 91.9 FM, four weeks after the live performance. The use of cameras or recording equipment is not allowed.

For the convenience of concertgoers, the Garden Café remains open until 6:30 p.m.

Sunday Evening, February 14, 1993 at Seven O'clock West Building, West Garden Court

PROGRAM

Franz Joseph Haydn (1732–1809) Trio in G Major, H.XV:25

I. Andante II. Poco adagio III. Finale: Rondo all' Ongarese

Lasse Thoresen (b. 1949)

Bird of the Heart

I.Adagio II.Intermezzo III. Allegro

Washington Premiere Performance

INTERMISSION

Antonin Dvorak (1841–1904) Trio in F Minor Opus 65 (1883)

Allegro ma non troppo Allegretto grazioso Poco adagio Finale: Allegro con brio Established in 1987, the GRIEG TRIO studied under Professor Andras Mihaly at the Liszt Academy in Budapest and in master classes with Norbert Brainin, Marin Lovett, and Eli Goren. The trio has performed in Norway, Sweden, Finland, Italy, Hungary, France, Switzerland, Germany, Ireland, Great Britain, Spain, and Israel, as well as appearing at the Festivals of Bergen, Norway, Bolzano, Italy, Helsinki, and Budapest. The Lillehammer Olympic Organizing Committee has chosen the Grieg Trio to be one of the representatives of Norwegian musical culture in its international cultural promotion leading up to the Olympic Games in 1994.

The excellence of the Grieg Trio has been recognized by many awardgranting bodies, including the 1989 Colmar Chamber Music Festival, Interforum 1990 in Hungary, the 1991 Bang and Olufsen Prize, and England's recently established Parkhouse Award for excellence in chamber music. The Grieg Trio is sponsored by Anker Chartering A/S of Oslo, Norway, and is touring as a participant in the celebrations of Edvard Grieg's 150th anniversary with funds and support from Norske Shell A/S, Norwegian Music Promotion, LOOC, and the Royal Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

Norwegian composer Lasse Thoresen studied at the Oslo Music Conservatory and at the Norwegian State Academy of Music. Since 1975 he has taught at the same academy, specializing in electrophony and sonology. His piano trio, *Bird of the Heart*, was commissioned by the Oslo Trio and grows out of the hopes and longings of the Norwegian people. Like those hopes, it loses direction in a night of despair, but at the last reaches a dawn of reality. The middle movement is an intermezzo for piano solo, an unusual touch in a work for this instrumentation.

Dvorak wrote a total of four piano trios, the most famous of which is the *E Minor Trio*, which contains a movement based on the Slavonic folk song form *dumka*. Even when he did not employ specific folk melodies or idioms, Czech folk music was never far from his thoughts as Dvorak composed. The turns of melody and rhythmic patterns that are traditional in Bohemian music return again and again in most of his works. The *F Minor Trio* dates from a period in Dvorak's life when he was actually toying with the idea of deliberately changing his style. He was considering relocating to Vienna and devoting his full energies to writing operas in German, a course of action which had been urged upon him by Brahms and other friends. In the end, Dvorak's devotion to his native land won out, although he did sojourn in the United States from 1892 to 1895, during which time he composed a number of chamber works that show the impact of American music on his style.