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Concerts

National Gallery of Art 3,027th Concert

Spanish Brass

Carlos Benetó and Juanjo Serna, Trumpets Manuel Pérez, French Horn Inda Bonet, Trombone Sergio Finca, Tuba

December 13, 2014 Saturday, 3:30 pm West Building, West Garden Court

COVER: John Toole, *Skating Scene* (detail), c. 1835, National Gallery of Art, Washington, Gift of Edgar William and Bernice Chrysler Garbisch

Program

Arcangelo Corelli (arr. Carlos Benetó) *Concerto Grosso in G Minor*, op. 6, no. 8 ("Christmas Concerto") Vivace-Grave Allegro

> Adagio-Allegro-Adagio Vivace (Minuetto) Allegro Largo (Pastorale)

Richard Storrs Willis (arr. Michael C. Green) Clearly Midnight

Traditional (arr. Albert Guinovart) Fum, fum, fum

Arr. Carlos Benetó *The Christmas Altarpiece* Joy to the World Hodie Christus natus est Silent Night Hallelujah (from Handel's Messiah)

Traditional

Angels We Have Heard on High (arr. Albert Guinovart) O Come, O Come Emmanuel (arr. Albert Guinovart) God Rest Ye Merry, Gentlemen (arr. Ed Hirschman) What Child Is This? (arr. Albert Guinovart) Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming (arr. Albert Guinovart)

Mykola Leontovych Carol of the Bells (arr. Ed Hirschman)

Traditional

What, Child? (arr. Michael C. Green) Campanas de Belén (The Bells of Bethlehem) (arr. Albert Guinovart) John Henry Hopkins Jr. *Three Free Kings* (arr. Michael C. Green)

Vincent Guaraldi Christmas Time Is Here (arr. Ed Hirschman)

The Musicians

Celebrating its twenty-fifth anniversary in 2014, Spanish Brass was created by five Spanish musicians as an innovative project that quickly gained world renown for its performances, educational activities, and creative collaborations. After it won First Prize in the 1996 Narbonne International Brass Quintet Competition, trumpeter and adjudicator Bernard Soustrot said, "Of all the First Prize winners of the Narbonne Competition, the Spanish Brass is the best since the competition was founded in 1986."

Spanish Brass has given hundreds of concerts in many venues and at festivals worldwide, including the Festival de Inverno de Brasília; Great American Brass Band Festival; Festival de Radio-France; Schleswig-Holstein Musik Festival; Kalavrita Festival; International Horn Society; Merano Brass Festival; Cheju Summer Festival; New York Brass Conference; Granada International Festival; and Lucerne Festival. The ensemble also administers three major brass festivals in Spain: the SBALZ Festival in Alzira, Brassurround, and Brass & Wines.

Spanish Brass has been in the forefront of international music education, giving courses and master classes for the Spanish National Youth Orchestra and the youth orchestras of Andalucía, Catalonia, Madrid, and Valencia, as well as student orchestras in England, Finland, Hong Kong, Japan, the United States, and Venezuela. Members of the quintet currently teach at the Berklee College of Music campus in Valencia and at the Universidad Europea in Madrid.