

ROGER WAGNER
Conductor

ALEXANDER SAINT CHARLES
Vocalist

JACOB KRACHMALNICK
Concertmaster

TOM SCOTT
Flute and Saxophone

SUNDAY EVENING, FEBRUARY 25, 1973, AT 7:30 P.M.

DOROTHY CHANDLER PAVILION

# LOS ANGELES MASTER CHORALE AND SINFONIA ORCHESTRA ROGER WAGNER, Music Director

# LATIN AMERICAN NIGHT

LAMENTACIONES DE JEREMIAS PROPHETA

I O vos omnes qui transitis per viam All you who pass by the way, look and see whether is any suffering like my suffering, which has been dealt me when the Lord afflicted me on the day of His blazing wrath.

II Ego vir videns paupertatem meam

I am a man who knows affliction from the rod of His anger, one whom He has led and forced to walk in darkness, not in the light; He has worn away my flesh and my skin, He has broken my bones; He has left me to dwell in the dark like those long dead.

III Recordare Domine quid acciderit nobis
Remember O Lord, what has befallen us;
look and see our disgrace. Lead us back to
You, O Lord, that we may be restored: give
us anew such days as we had of old.
You, O Lord, are enthroned forever; Your
throne stands from age to age.

NONETTO (Impressão rapida de todo o Brasil)

Heitor Villa-Lobos (1887-1959)

Alberto Ginastera

(b. 1916)

Lalo Schifrin (b. 1932)

Lalo Schifrin

# MADRIGALS FOR THE SPACE AGE

I I walk in Space

II Dark rock on flint on stone

III We search and find

IV The rocket bursts in Space

V A million meteors

VI We drift, we fly

VII Space! Is Space not curved?

VIII Listen!

IX What a wonder, what a dread!

X We move, we go, we seek

# INTERMISSION

# **ROCK REQUIEM**

1 The Procession

Il Introit

III Kyrie eleison

IV Gradual

V Tract

VI Offertory Verse

VII Sanctus Benedictus

VIII Agnus Dei

IX Final Prayer

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# WHO'S WHO



ROGER WAGNER has always energetically resisted any attempt to be pigeonholed or categorized. He became known first as a director of choir boys specializing in liturgical music of the Renaissance. Wagner, an ex-seminarian, varied his classical studies, (which led to a doctorate in the masses of Josquin de Prés) with stints as a chorus singer at MGM, as a dancer at Paramount, and as a club pianist. During the next fifteen years the natural progression of the choir director to the driving force of the Chorale that bears his name was logical and, given Wagner's talent and drive, not unexpected. In 1953 Wagner moved himself and his Chorale into another category (without letting go of the first) when he obtained exclusive rights to Rodgers and Hammerstein Night for the west coast and toured with the late Edward Arnold as commentator. After a European tour in the classical category, he switched again to write and conduct the background music for a successful TV series. Simultaneously, he moved into another category, that of folk music arranging, and recorded a highly successful series of albums of folk songs of Stephen Foster, the Old World, the New World (with Marilyn Horne, Salli Terri, and Harve Presnell), Latin America, the Frontier, the South, and Sea Chanties (with Earl Wrightson). His Christmas album, Joy to the World, is the largest selling classical record ever released by Capitol Records. His annual concert tours, while basically classical in format, have always ranged to folk songs and the best of Broadway. During the nine years Wagner has been music director of the Los Angeles Master Chorale and Sinfonia Orchestra, he has consolidated his classical reputation with tours throughout the world and individual performances of Bach's B Minor Mass, St. Matthew Passion, and Handel's Messiah in New York, Toronto, Paris, and Strassbourg. At the same time he has scored a motion picture, The Gallant Hours, a TV special with Tennessee Ernie Ford, directed the gigantic male chorus for the film version of Paint Your Wagon under the supervision of Alan Jay Lerner, and is currently engaged in providing music for a series of television documentaries for Allan Landsburg Productions on The American Scene. In 1971 Wagner expanded into yet another category as guest conductor of the Phoenix Symphony in a program totally devoid of chorus. This spring he will tour Latin America as a guest conductor of several orchestras. When John Green took a two-year leave of absence from the Hollywood Bowl in order to score the film version of Oliver, Wagner was logically chosen to conduct the Lerner and Loewe Night as well as the Rodgers and Hammerstein Night. This coming year he will again shift categories at the Hollywood Bowl to conduct the Bach B Minor Mass with the Los Angeles Master Chorale and the Los Angeles Philharmonic Orchestra. It is in keeping with this background that the versatile maestro conducted a performance of Mozart's Great C Minor Mass (to be heard on our series April 15) in Carnegie Hall, New York, twenty-four hours before this concert. Roger Wagner and the Los Angeles Master Chorale have recently again demonstrated their versatility by performing on January 19 under Dr. Wagner and Eugene Ormandy with the Philadelphia Orchestra at the Inauguration Concert at Kennedy Center and entertaining the immense crowd at the Inauguration Ball the following evening.



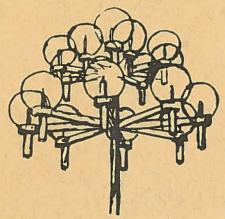
**ALEXANDER ST. CHARLES** was born Benard Ighner in Houston, Texas. He began as a pianist but now plays guitar, bass, cello, trumpet, and drums, in addition to keyboard instruments. In the mid-sixties while working in an aircraft factory in San Diego, Benard heard Dizzy Gillespie play at a local. club. Within a month Ighner was out of the factory and on the road as a vocalist with Gillespie. Off the road, Benard began writing songs and eventually teamed up with Lalo Schifrin to write a song for the film Imago. His songwriting output slowly but surely increased. Late in 1972 he became a staff songwriter with Irving/Almo. As a vocalist he has been regularly featured by Lalo Schifrin. In addition to singing the collaborative effort "Just Like Me" in Imago, he sang Schifrin's song, "No More Lies Girl," in the Clint Eastwood film Dirty Harry. His definitive styling of the vocal solos in the album Rock Requiem made his engagement for tonight's concert a most logical choice.



RAY BRADBURY, poet, author, and playwright, probably most famous for The Martian Chronicles, The Illustrated Man, and Fahrenheit 451, has written the text of Madrigals for the Space Age as his affirmation of the future of the era that began with Apollo.



LALO SCHIFRIN, Argentine-born composer whose music is known to millions of TV viewers and filmgoers, displays contrasting facets of his compositorial talent in his setting of Ray Bradbury's Madrigals for the Space Age and his stirring eclectic Rock Requiem.



NEXT MONTH Saturday, March 31, 8:00 P.M.

Dorothy Chandler Pavilion
Concert Version of Gounod's Faust
With Dorothy Kirsten, Norman Treigle,
William DuPré.

## LOS ANGELES MASTER CHORALE

sopranos IIII Anderson Elke Bank Jeanette Beiter Kay Brown Ruth Coleman leanne Davenport Ruth Dial **Judy Gantley** Claire Gordon Andree Iordan Susan Kraus Rae MacDonald Marybet Marles Karen McBride Frankie Nobert Jan Payne Mary Rawcliffe Phyllis Reed **Ruth Rees** Marlene Rozofský Peggy Salver Carolyn Shannon **Bonnie Smith** Dolores Van Natta leannine Wagner Barbara Wilson

#### altos

Carol Ann Bakeman Charlotte de Windt **lill** Due Iris Eshelman Susan Fink Mariie Glassman Nancy Golob Mary Griffith Delores Hartman Trist Hillman Margaret Keefer Joan Keesey Jacquelyn Layng La Vada Marlowe Kathy McClanahan Carol McClure Mary Mellema Frances Morse Constance Moulton Nancy O'Brien Carolyn Pegg **Doris Preissler** Carol Reich Marion Rodd

Maria Shaw

Judie Thomas Suzanne Wilkie

## tenors

Craig Bourne Bruce Brown **Edward Cansino** John Cesario Thomas Clark **Lindy Collins** Robert Ebright Hollis Erdmann **Robert Faris** Glenn Fick Robert Gurnee William Haves Allan Johnson Kirk Lamb Mike Landry Alvan Messer Richard Patzkowsky Mike Revnolds John Sider Joseph Smayda Leland Vail Kenneth Westrick Robert Wuertz Charles Zimmerman

## basses

**Barry Anderson** Don Bremer Alfred Chan Douglas Drew Arthur Edwards Robert Garner John Gingrich **Hugh Grinstead** John Hall John Hiigel Paul Hinshaw Frank Hobart Herbert Jones Robert McBain George Merson Myron Myers Edmund Najera William Paxson Gordon Ramsey **Bruce Remsberg** Haig Saatjian Robert Seibold Nicolas Shumway Burman Timberlake Earle Wilkie **Neil Wilson** 

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