CHAMBER LOS ANGELES ORCHESTRA

Jeffrey Kahane Music Director



Grant Gershon, Music Director

Welcome to our 2nd collaboration

Handel/Mozart Messiah

Sunday, April 6, 2003

Saturday, April 5, 2003 Alex Theatre, Glendale Royce Hall, UCLA





Grant Gershon, Conductor

Elissa Johnston, Soprano Michael Slattery, Tenor Kate Butler, Mezzo-Soprano James Creswell, Bass-Baritone

OVERTURE

RECITATIVE (Accompanied - Tenor)

Comfort ye, comfort ye My people, saith your God; speak ye comfortably to Jerusalem; and cry unto her, that her warfare is accomplished, that her iniquity is pardoned. The voice of him that crieth in the wilderness: Prepare ye the way of the Lord: make straight in the desert a highway for our God.

ARIA (Tenor)

Every valley shall be exalted, and every mountain and hill made low, the crooked straight and the rough places plain.

CHORUS

And the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together; for the mouth of the Lord hath spoken it.

RECITATIVE (Accompanied - Bass)

Thus saith the Lord of Hosts: Yet once a little while and I will shake the heavens and the earth, the sea and the dry land; and I will shake all nations; and the desire of all nations shall come.

The Lord, whom ye seek, shall suddenly come to His temple, even the messenger of the covenant, whom ye delight in: behold, He shall come, saith the Lord of Hosts.

ARIA (Bass)

But who may abide the day of His coming, and who shall stand when He appeareth? For He is like a refiner's fire.

CHORUS

And He shall purify the sons of Levi, that they may offer unto the Lord an offering in righteousness.

RECITATIVE (Alto)

Behold, a virgin shall conceive and bear a Son, and shall call his name Emmanuel, God with us.

ARIA (Alto) and CHORUS

O thou that tellest good tidings to Zion, get thee up into the high mountain: O thou that tellest good tidings to Jerusalem, lift up thy voice with strength; lift it up, be not afraid; say unto the cities of Judah, Behold your God! Arise, shine, for thy light is come, and the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee.

RECITATIVE (Accompanied - Bass)

For Behold, darkness shall cover the earth, and gross darkness the people; but the Lord shall rise upon thee, and His glory shall be seen upon thee, and the Gentiles shall come to thy light, and kings to the brightness of thy rising.

ARIA (Bass) The people that walked in darkness have seen a great light; and they that dwell in the land of the shadow of death, upon them hath the light shined.

SOLOISTS AND CHORUS

For unto us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given, and the government shall be upon His shoulder; and His name shall be called Wonderful, Counselor, The Mighty God, The Everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.

PASTORAL SYMPHONY

RECITATIVE (Soprano)

There were shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night.

And lo! the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them, and they were sore afraid.

And the angel said unto them, Fear not; for behold

I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people; for unto you is born this day in the City of David, a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.

And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying:

CHORUS

Glory to God in the highest, and peace on earth, goodwill towards men.

ARIA (Tenor)

Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout, O daughter of Jerusalem! Behold, thy King cometh unto thee! He is the righteous Saviour, and He shall speak peace unto the heathen.

RECITATIVE (Soprano)

Then shall the eyes of the blind be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; then shall the lame man leap as an hart, and the tongue of the dumb shall sing.

ARIA (Soprano)

He shall feed His flock like a shepherd: and He shall gather the lambs with His arm, and carry them in His bosom, and gently lead those that are with young.

Come unto Him, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and He will give you rest. Take His yoke upon you, and learn of Him, for He is meek and lowly of heart, and ye shall find rest unto your souls.

SOLOISTS AND CHORUS

His yoke is easy and His burden is light.

Intermission

PART II

CHORUS

Behold the Lamb of God that taketh away the sin of the world.

ARIA (Alto)

He was despised and rejected of men; a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief. He gave His back to the smiters, and His cheeks to them that plucked off the hair: He hid not His face from shame and spitting.

CHORUS

Surely He hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows! He was wounded for our transgressions; He was bruised for our iniquities; the chastisement of our peace was upon Him.

CHORUS

And with His stripes we are healed.

CHORUS

All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way. And the Lord hath laid on Him the iniquity of us all.

RECITATIVE (Soprano)

All they that see him, laugh him to scorn They shoot out their lips And shake their heads saying:

CHORUS

He trusted in God that he would deliver him Let him deliver him, if he delight in him

RECITATIVE (Accompanied - Soprano)

Thy rebuke hath broken His heart; He is full of heaviness. He looked for some to have pity on Him, but there was no man, neither found He any to comfort Him.

ARIA (Soprano)

Behold, and see if there be any sorrow like unto His sorrow.

RECITATIVE (Accompanied - Soprano)

He was cut off out of the land of the living; for the transgression of Thy people was He stricken.

ARIA (Soprano)

But Thou didst not leave His soul in hell; nor didst Thou suffer Thy Holy One to see corruption.

CHORUS

Lift up your heads, O ye gates, and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors, and the King of Glory shall come in. Who is the King of Glory? The Lord strong and mighty, the Lord mighty in battle. Lift up your heads, O ye gates, and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors, and the King of Glory shall come in. Who is the King of Glory? The Lord of Hosts, He is the King of Glory.

RECITATIVE (Soprano)

Unto which of the angels said He at any time, Thou art My Son, this day have I begotten Thee?

CHORUS

The Lord gave the word; great was the company of the preachers.

ARIA (Soprano)

How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things.

CHORUS

Their sound is gone out into all lands, and their words unto the ends of the world.

ARIA (Bass)

Why do the nations so furiously rage together, and who do the people imagine a vain thing? The kings of the earth rise up, and the rulers take counsel together against the Lord, and against His Anointed.

CHORUS

Let us break their bonds asunder, and cast away their yokes from us.

RECITATIVE (Tenor)

He that dwelleth in heaven shall laugh them to scorn; the Lord shall have them in derision

ARIA (Tenor)

Thou shalt break them with a rod of iron; Thou shalt dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel.

CHORUS

Hallelujah: for the Lord God Omnipotent reigneth. The kingdom of this world has become the kingdom of our Lord, and of His Christ; and He shall reign for ever and ever. King of Kings, and Lord of Lords. Hallelujah!

Part III

ARIA (Soprano)

I know that my Redeemer liveth, and that He shall stand at the latter day upon the earth; and though worms destroy this body yet, in my flesh shall I see God. For now is Christ risen from the dead, the first-fruits of them that sleep.

CHORUS

Since by man came death,

CHORUS

By man came also the resurrection of the dead.

CHORUS

For as in Adam all die.

CHORUS

Even so in Christ shall all be made alive

RECITATIVE (Accompanied - Bass)

Behold, I tell you a mystery; We shall not all sleep; but we shall all be changed in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet.

ARIA (Bass)

The trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed. For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality.

RECITATIVE (Alto)

Then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written; Death is swallowed up in victory!

DUET (Alto and Tenor)

O death, where is thy sting? O grave! where is thy victory? The sting of death is sin, and the strength of sin is the law.

CHORUS

But thanks be to God, who giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

ARIA (Soprano)

If God be for us, who can be against us? who shall lay anything to the charge of God's elect? It is God that justifieth, who is he that condemneth? It is Christ that died, yea, rather that is risen again, who is at the right hand of God, who makes intercession for us.

CHORUS

Worthy is the Lamb that was slain, and hath redeemed us to God by His blood, to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honour, and glory and blessing. Blessing and honour, glory and power, be unto Him that sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb, for ever and ever. Amen.

Together Again!

April 2004

LA Chamber Orchestra & LA Master Chorale with

Helmuth Rilling, conductor

Bach-fest

April 17, 2004 8 pm Walt Disney Concert Hall April 18, 2004 7 pm Royce Hall, UCLA

Los Angeles Master Chorale Grant Gershon, Music Director

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2003|2004 Inaugural Season Walt Disney Concert Hall

On November 16, we will step inside the highly anticipated Walt Disney Concert Hall to hear the first of eight programs of music spanning centuries and showcasing the Chorale in its new home. And we'll know in ways not before possible the magnificent sound of the Los Angeles Master Chorale. It's the season we've looked forward to for a very long time, and it's almost here. Please join us!

For seven glorious months, Music Director Grant Gershon and the Chorale are going to knock your socks off with repertory and performances you'll never forget. A new work from Bobby McFerrin to launch a new era in Walt Disney Concert Hall. To celebrate the holidays, our ongoing exploration of Bach's *Christmas Oratorio* paired with Poulenc's magnificent *Gloria*. The transcendent and ethereal music of John Tavener. An extraordinary evening presenting the best of Duke Ellington's Sacred Concerts. Beethoven's *Missa solemnis*, with all its thunder and grace. Bach Cantatas led by the master, Helmuth Rilling. A new work from one of America's leading and boldest composers, Steve Reich. And the genius of Stephen Sondheim illuminated by a new generation of Broadway composers. Plus – for the first time ever – four programs will be repeated as non-subscription concerts! Can you imagine a more exciting season to usher in a new era for the Los Angeles Master Chorale?

Please visit the information table in the lobby this evening, or visit our website at www.lamc.org for more details. And please subscribe to the Los Angeles Master Chorale's 2003-04 season in Walt Disney Concert Hall – a season of music you'll never forget!



THE CHORALE "WRAPS IT UP"

The Chorale returns to the Dorothy Chandler Pavilion for the final two concerts of their unforgettable 2002-2003 Season. On April 26th Two American Revolutions features spirited and defiant music written by William Billings during the American Revolution paired with Steve Reich's The Desert Music. On June 7th the Chorale bids adieu to the Dorothy Chandler Pavilion with It's A Wrap!, a concert of great choral music from the movies. Tickets for each concert are available for as little as \$25. For further information or to purchase tickets, call 213.972.3111 or visit www.lamc.org.

ON WINGS OF STEEL

Saturday, June 7, 2003, the Los Angeles Master Chorale presents On Wings Of Steel, a Gala Celebration honoring Frank O. Gehry for his visionary design of Walt Disney Concert Hall – the new home of the Los Angeles Master Chorale. Join us for a nostalgic final concert and gala at the Dorothy Chandler Pavilion. The Celebration begins with a Champagne Reception and Luxury Auction, followed by the Chorale's concert featuring music of Hollywood's film composers. Guests then adjourn to the Grand Hall for dinner, dancing, and the traditional highlight – the surround-sing by the Los Angeles Master Chorale – always the highlight of the evening. Andrea Van de Kamp is Honorary Chair; Laney and Tom Techentin serve as Gala Co-Chairs. The event is generously sponsored by Mellon Financial Corporation. For information and reservations: 213.972.7282.

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The Young & the Breathless

Excerpts: Mendelssohn's Violin concerto in E minor

Excerpts: Steinmetz's Concerto for bassoon and orchestra

Sunday, May 11, 2003

Jeffrey Kahane, conductor Caitlin Tully, violin Kenneth Munday, bassoon

1 pm Pre-concert activities: Instrument Petting Zoo, American Gamelan and Storytelling

2 pm Concert

Alex Theatre, 216 N. Brand Blvd., Glendale

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of music and the visual arts in modernism and post-modernism.

The event features Jeffrey Kahane & LACO, Otis faculty Guy Bennet and Keith Downey, and time-based digital media work created by Otis students. LACMA Institute Director Paul Holdengräber instigates and moderates.

7:30 pm, Wednesday, April 23, 2003

Zipper Hall, Colburn School of Performing Arts
Presented by the LACMA Institute for Arts and Cultures

Tickets: \$10 available online (www.laco.org) at 12:01 am April 9th.

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- Acclaimed mezzo-soprano Lorraine Hunt Lieberson launches the new season on September 27 & 28, 2003
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- Music Director Jeffrey Kahane and concertmaster Margaret Batjer perform the complete sonatas for piano and violin by Brahms

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