

SPENCER MYER

One of the most important American artists of his generation, **SPENCER MYER** is garnering stellar audience and critical acclaim from around the globe, rapidly establishing a significant and continuously expanding career.

Spencer Myer's orchestral, recital and chamber music performances have been heard throughout the United States, Canada, Europe, Africa and Asia. He has been soloist with, among many others, The Cleveland Orchestra, Boise, Dayton and Louisiana philharmonic orchestras, Pro Arte Chamber Orchestra of Boston, Baton Rouge, Bozeman, Duluth Superior, Indianapolis, Juneau, Knoxville, New Haven, Phoenix, San Juan, Santa Fe, Springfield (MA, OH), Traverse, Tucson and Wyoming symphony orchestras, Indianapolis and Manhattan chamber orchestras, The Park Avenue Chamber Symphony, Mexico's Orquesta Filarmónica de Jalisco, South Africa's Cape Town and Johannesburg philharmonic orchestras and Beijing's China National Symphony Orchestra, collaborating with, among others, conductors David Bernard, Nicholas Cleobury, Leslie B. Dunner, Robert Franz, Neal Gittleman, Bernhard Gueller, Jacques Lacombe, Jahja Ling, Dirk Meyer, Timothy Muffitt, Maurice Peress, Kyle Wiley Pickett, Arthur Post, Kevin Rhodes, Lucas Richman, Matthew Savery, Klauspeter Seibel, Steven Smith, Arjan Tien and Victor Yampolsky. His 2005 recital/orchestral tour of South Africa included a performance of the five piano concerti of Beethoven with the Chamber Orchestra of South Africa, followed by return orchestra and recital tours in 2008, 2010 and 2012.

Spencer Myer's career was launched with three important prizes: First Prize in the 2004 UNISA International Piano Competition in South Africa; American Pianists Association's 2006 Christel DeHaan Classical Fellowship; Gold Medal from the 2008 New Orleans International Piano Competition. He is also a laureate of the 2007 William Kapell, 2005 Cleveland and 2005 Busoni international piano competitions. He enjoys a growing reputation as a vocal collaborator since winning the 2000 Marilyn Horne Foundation Competition. Mr. Myer was a member of Astral Artists' performance roster from 2003-2010.

An enthusiastic supporter of the education of young musicians, Spencer Myer has been a frequent guest artist at workshops for students and teachers, and has served on the faculties of the Baldwin-Wallace College and Oberlin College conservatories of music. He devoted a month of his 2010 summer as a Staff Pianist at the Steans Institute Vocal Program of the renowned Ravinia Festival. Mr. Myer is also an advocate of contemporary music and inter-arts collaboration, and has worked with ICE (International Contemporary Ensemble), Indianapolis' Dance Kaleidoscope and The Juilliard School's "Composers and Choreographers" series.

Spencer Myer is a graduate of The Juilliard School, where he studied with Julian Martin. Other teachers include Peter Takács, Joseph Schwartz and Christina Dahl. He spent two summers at the Music Academy of the West, studying with Jerome Lowenthal and, later, Vocal Accompanying with Warren Jones and Marilyn Horne. During the course of his undergraduate studies at the Oberlin Conservatory of Music, he was the recipient of numerous awards from that institution, while, in 2000, he was named a recipient of a four-year Jacob K. Javits Memorial Fellowship from the United States Department of Education. His Doctor of Musical Arts degree was conferred by Stony Brook University in 2005.

PROGRAM

SONATA in G Major, K.13
SONATA in D Minor, K.213
SONATA IN G Major, K.427

DOMENICO SCARLATTI
(1685-1757)

FANTASIE in C Major, Op.17

ROBERT SCHUMANN
(1810-1858)

Durchaus fantastisch und leidenschaftlich vorzutragen
Mäßig: Durchaus energisch
Langsam getragen: Durchweg leise zu halten

INTERMISSION

SONATINE
Modéré
Movement
Animé

MAURICE RAVEL
(1875-1937)

EXCURSIONS, Op.20
Un poco allegro
In slow blues tempo
Allegretto
Allegro molto

SAMUEL BARBER
(1910-1981)

THREE RAGS
The Poltergeist
Graceful Ghost Rag
The Serpent's Kiss

WILLIAM BOLCOM
(b.1938)

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