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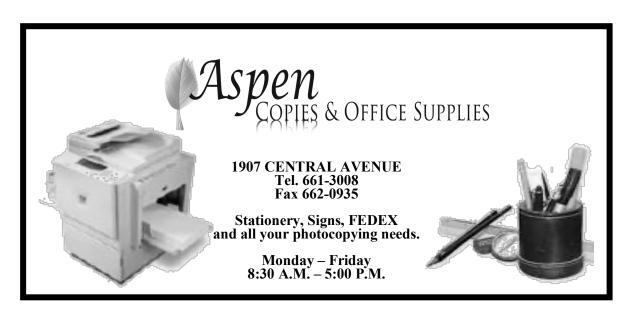
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Amanda Barry, English horn

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Three Negro Dances (1933)	Florence Beatrice Price (1887 – 1953) arranged by Eric Leidzen
Overture for Symphonic Band (1970)	Bin Kaneda (1935 – 2002)
Rachael Gates, oboe	
Asturias from Suite Española (1886)	arranged by Victor Lopez

Variations on an African Hymnsong (1994)......Quincy C. Hilliard (b. 1954)

ABOUT OUR DIRECTOR



Ted Vives is now in his 25th season as musical and artistic director for the Award-Winning Los Alamos Community Winds. He began music studies at the age of 4, taking piano and theory lessons from Edgar and Dorothy Glyde. His musical interests changed to trombone performance and composition upon entering the public school system. Vives holds bachelor's degrees in both composition and music education from Florida State University where he studied with John Boda, Roy Johnson, and Charles Carter and conducting with James Croft. He also holds a Master of Music in Composition and a Ph.D. in Music Education from the University of Florida where he studied composition with Budd Udell and John D. White and conducting with David Waybright.

Dr. Vives holds memberships in Kappa Kappa Psi, Tau Beta Sigma, Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia, Phi Kappa Phi, Music Educators National Conference, Music Teachers National Association, National Band Association, the Conductor's Guild, and WASBE (World Association of Symphonic Bands and Ensembles.)



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PROGRAM NOTES

John Philip Sousa (1865 – 1932) Washington Post March (1889)

During the 1880s, several Washington, D.C., newspapers competed vigorously for public favor. One of these, the *Washington Post*, organized what was known as the *Washington Post* Amateur Authors' Association and sponsored an essay contest for school children. Frank Hatton and Beriah Wilkins, owners of the newspaper, asked Sousa, then leader of the Marine Band, to compose a march for the award ceremony.

The ceremony was held on the Smithsonian grounds on June 15, 1889. President Harrison and other dignitaries were among the huge crowd. When the new march was played by Sousa and the Marine Band, it was enthusiastically received, and within days it became exceptionally popular in Washington.

The march happened to be admirably suited to the two-step dance, which was just being introduced. A dancemasters' organization adopted it at their yearly convention, and soon the march was vaulted into international fame. The two-step gradually replaced the waltz as a popular dance, and variations of the basic two-step insured the march's popularity all through the 1890s and into the twentieth century. Sousa's march became identified with the two-step, and it was as famous abroad as it was in the United States. In some European countries, all two-steps were called "Washington posts." Pirated editions of the music appeared in many foreign countries. In Britain, for example, it was known by such names as "No Surrender" and "Washington Greys."

Next to "The Stars and Stripes Forever," "The Washington Post" has been Sousa's most widely known march. He delighted in telling how he had heard it in so many different countries, played in so many ways—and often accredited to native composers. It was a standard at Sousa Band performances and was often openly demanded when not scheduled for a program. It was painful for Sousa to relate that, like "Semper Fidelis" and other marches of that period, he received only \$35 for it, while the publisher made a fortune. Of that sum, \$25 was for a piano arrangement, \$5 for a band arrangement, and \$5 for an orchestra arrangement.

According to a letter dated September 28, 1920, from Sousa to Edward B. McLean, editor of the *Washington Post*, one edition of this music was published in Mexico under the title "Unser Pasa."

Today, at a community room in Washington, a spotlight illuminates a life-sized color portrait of the black-bearded Sousa, resplendent in his scarlet Marine Band uniform. This is the John Philip Sousa Community Room in the Washington Post Building. It is the newspapers' tribute to the man who first gave it worldwide fame.

Ottorino Respighi (1879 – 1936) Pini di Roma, P. 141 (1924)

Ottorino Respighi was an Italian composer. He was taught piano and violin in Bologna by his father. He then enrolled at the Liceo Musicale in Bologna, where he studied violin and viola with Federico Sarti, composition with Giuseppe Martucci, and historical studies with Luigi Torchi, a scholar of early music. A year after receiving his diploma in violin in 1899, Respighi went to Russia to be the principal violist in the orchestra of the Russian Imperial Theatre in St. Petersburg during its season of Italian opera. While there, he studied composition for five months with Rimsky-Korsakov.

In 1932, Respighi was elected to the Royal Academy of Italy. Composing numerous chamber, vocal, and orchestral works, as well as operas and ballets, he was an enthusiastic scholar of Italian music of the 16th, 17th, and 18th centuries. Preferring to keep clear of musical traits of the Classical Period, Respighi combined pre-classical melodic styles and musical forms, such as dance suites, with typical late-19th-century romantic harmonies and textures.

The Pines of Rome is Respighi's most notable and durably popular composition. It was performed first in Rome in 1925. The composition is in four parts: The Pines of the Villa Bourghese, The Pines Near a Catacomb, The Pines of the Janiculum, and The Pines of the Appian Way. It is based on the following program:

The children are at play in the pine-groves of the Villa Borghese, dancing the Italian equivalent of "Ring around a rosy;" mimicking marching solders and battles; twittering and shrieking like swallows at evening; and then disappearing. Suddenly the scene changes. We see shadows of the pines which overhang the entrance to a catacomb. From the depths rises a chant which reechoes solemnly, sonorously, like a hymn, and then is mysteriously silenced. There is a thrill in the air. The full moon reveals the profile of the pines of Giancolo's Hill. A nightingale sings. Now it is misty dawn on the Appian Way. The tragic countryside is guarded by solitary pines. Indistinctly, incessantly, the rhythm of innumerable steps is heard. To the poet's phantasy appears a vision of past glories; trumpets blare, and the army of the consul advances brilliantly in the grandeur of a newly risen sun toward the Sacred Way, mounting in triumph the Capitoline Hill.

This setting for symphonic band was done in 1966 by Guy Duker, assistant director of University of Illinois Bands since 1953.

Florence Beatrice Price (1887 – 1953) Three Negro Dances (1933)

Florence Beatrice Price was one of three children in a mixed-race family. Despite racial issues of the era, her family was well respected and did well within their community. Her father was a dentist and her mother was a music teacher who guided Florence's early musical training. She had her first piano performance at the age of four and went on to have her first composition published at the age of 11.

By the time she was 14, Florence had graduated from Capitol High School at the top of her class and was enrolled in the New England Conservatory of Music with a major in piano and organ. Initially, she pretended to be Mexican to avoid the prejudice people had toward African-Americans at the time. At the

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Conservatory, she was able to study composition and counterpoint with composers George W. Chadwick and Frederick Converse. Also while there, she wrote her first string trio and symphony. She graduated in 1906 with honors and both an artist diploma in organ and a teaching certificate.

Even though her training was steeped in European tradition, Price's music consists of mostly the American idiom and reveals her Southern roots. At the urging of Chadwick, Price began to incorporate elements of African-American spirituals, emphasizing the rhythm and syncopation of the spirituals rather than just using the text. Her melodies were blues-inspired and mixed with more traditional, European Romantic techniques. The weaving of tradition and modernism reflected the way life was for African Americans in large cities at the time.

Price wrote other extended works for orchestra, chamber works, art songs, works for violin, organ anthems, piano pieces, spiritual arrangements, four symphonies, three piano concertos, and a violin concerto. In 2009, a substantial collection of her works and papers were found in an abandoned house on the outskirts of St. Anne, Ill. These consisted of dozens of her scores, including her two violin concertos and her fourth symphony. As Alex Ross stated in *The New Yorker* in February 2018,

"not only did Price fail to enter the canon; a large quantity of her music came perilously close to obliteration. That run-down house in St. Anne is a potent symbol of how a country can forget its cultural history."

Individually subtitled "Hoe Cake," "Rabbit Foot," and "Ticklin' Toes," *Three Negro Dances* demonstrate Price's practice of incorporating traditional Black musical styles into her compositions. All the movements are upbeat with marked dance rhythms. Price's notes in the score state:

"In all types of Negro music, rhythm is of preeminent importance. In the dance, it is a compelling, onward-sweeping force that tolerates no interruption. All phases of truly Negro activity—whether work or play, singing or praying—are more than apt to take on a rhythmic quality."

The last movement evokes a Juba dance, originally a rural folk idiom that became a popular stage dance in minstrel shows of the 1800s.

Bin Kaneda (1935 – 2002) Overture for Symphonic Band (1970)

Bin Kaneda was a Japanese composer and professor.

He graduated from the Tokyo National University of Fine Arts and Music with a degree in composition from 1959.

Kaneda worked as a teacher at various universities. In 1980 he became Professor of Music Education at the University of Gifu, in 1983 professor of composition at the Aichi Prefecture University of Fine Arts and Music, 1996 Professor of Music for Graduate Education at the University of Gifu and 1999, professor emeritus at the Aichi Prefecture University of Fine Arts and Music.

Bin Kaneda wrote the music for the opening of the 1964 Olympics in Tokyo, and two marches for the Expo '70. He is also a composer of many compulsory pieces for wind band competitions in Japan.

Overture for Symphonic Band is comprised of musical elements from the Eastern and Western hemispheres, creating many interesting colors and musical devices. The West has been fascinated with Japanese culture for centuries, especially after the popularity of Puccini's *Madame Butterfly*, which premiered in 1904. Many European composers, including Debussy, were influenced by the exoticism of Eastern musical devices, such as the pentatonic scale and static harmony.

This work resembles the form of a seventeenth-century French overture, with a slow introductory section in triple meter that incorporates dotted rhythms, followed by a quick "Allegro" section in cut-time.

Isaac Albéniz (1860 – 1909) Asturias from *Suite Española* (1886)

Isaac Manuel Francisco Albéniz y Pascual was a Spanish pianist and composer best known for his piano works based on folk music idioms.

Albéniz was a child prodigy who first performed at the age of four. At age seven, after apparently taking lessons from Antoine François Marmonte, he passed the entrance examination for piano at the Paris Conservatoire, but he was refused admission because he was believed to be too young. By the time he had reached 12, he had made many attempts to run away from home.

His concert career began at the age of nine when his father toured both Isaac and his sister, Clementina, throughout northern Spain. Accompanied by his father who, as a customs agent and who was required to travel frequently, by age 15, he had already given concerts worldwide.

In 1876, he went to study at the Royal Conservatory of Brussels, after King Alfonso's personal secretary, Guillermo Morphy, obtained him a royal grant.

The apex of Albéniz's concert career is considered to be 1889 to 1892 when he had concert tours throughout Europe. During the 1890s Albéniz lived in London and Paris. For London he wrote some musical comedies which brought him to the attention of the wealthy Francis Money-Coutts, 5th Baron Latymer. Money-Coutts commissioned and provided him with librettos for the opera *Henry Clifford* and for a projected trilogy of Arthurian operas. The first of these, *Merli*, (1898–1902), was thought to have been lost but has recently been reconstructed and performed.

In 1900 he started to suffer from Bright's Disease and returned to writing piano music. Between 1905 and 1908 he composed his final masterpiece, *Iberia* (1908), a suite of twelve piano "impressions".

These impressions of various Spanish regions illustrate the composer's ingenuity in portraying characteristic rhythms and his ear for refreshing key changes. With the exception of *Cataluña*, all the pieces are ternary in structure, the central section being a 'copla', a sung interlude in a dance form, usually marking a turn from major to minor tonality.

Movement 5. Asturias is subtitled Legend and consists of a solea, an Andalusian Gipsy dancing song with verses consisting of three lines of eight syllables. The central part has been borrowed from Cantos de España and has nothing in common with the popular Asturian music; it rather evokes a Moorish or oriental atmosphere.

Quincy C. Hilliard (b. 1954) Variations on an African Hymnsong (1994)

Quincy C. Hilliard is an American composer, author, and educator.

His early music experience was as a trumpet player in the public elementary and high school of his native Starkville, Mississippi. He holds a Ph.D. in music theory and composition from the University of Florida where, in 1999, he was recognized as the outstanding alumnus of the School of Music. He holds the Masters of Music Education from Arkansas State University and the Bachelor of Science in Music Education from Mississippi State University where he was designated College of Education 1998 Alumnus of the Year.

Based on a Nigerian folk hymn, *Variations on an African Hymnsong* was commissioned by and is dedicated to the Savannah High School of the Performing Arts Wind Ensemble, Michael E. Hutchinson, director and Dr. Marie A. Polite, principal, Savannah, Georgia.

Fragments of the hymn song appear in the beginning and then the hymn song itself is introduced around the middle of the piece by the oboe. The piece also features two polyrhythms in the percussion that are based on authentic African rhythm patterns. The first polyrhythm comes from another African hymn entitled *Kyrem*. The second is based on the rhythm pattern called "Osebo."



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