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# Honor's Recital

Featuring:
Maria Sausen, Soprano
Megan Lau, Flute
John Dicks, Baritone
Emily Brewer, Saxophone
David Wittmann, Piano
Hannah Knutson, Soprano
Adam Rohde, Flugelhorn
Nicholas Surprise, Tenor
William Meyers, Saxophone
Elissa Ribbens, Piano
Megan O'Neil, Soprano

Tuesday, May 1, 2018 7:30 p.m. Walter Theatre

### ~ Program ~

Trogram ~
"Chacun le Sait" from La Fille Du Régiment
Maria Sausen
Barb Hinnendael, Piano
Sonata for Flute and PianoOtar Taktakishvili (1924-1989)
III. Allegro Scherzando
Megan Lau
Elaine Moss, Piano
Plaisir d'amour
John Dicks
Emily Hacker, piano
Concerto for Alto Saxophone and Wind EnsembleDavid Maslanka (1943-2017)  I. Song: Fire in the Earth
Emily Brewer
Elaine Moss, Piano
Images - Set I
Reflets dans l'eau
David Wittmann
Nature's Holiday
Hannah Knutson
Connor Klavekoske, piano
Morning Has Broken: Variations on a Gaelic Melodyarr. Paul Haack
Adam Rohde Connor Klavekoske, piano
Comor Klavekoske, plano
"The Lake Isle of Innisfree"Ben Moore (b. 1960)
Nick Surprise
Elissa Ribbens, piano
Caprice en Forme de ValsePaul Bonneau
William Myers
Two Tales, Op. 20
Ah! Je veux vivre from <i>Romeo and Juliet</i>

Maria Sausen is a vocal performance and communication studies double major from Green Bay. She is an active member of the St. Norbert Abbey Singers and St. Norbert Chamber Singers, and she has especially enjoyed her three performances with SNC Opera Workshop. Off campus, she is employed at Daddy D Productions, and she also has two of her own business: The Princess Co. Children's Entertainment, and her own performing business, Maria Sausen, vocalist. Also, she enjoyed her summer social media and marketing internship at Au Natural Cosmetics. After graduation, she plans on pursuing a career in communication, all the while continuing with her performing. Maria would like to thank her amazing family for all of their endless support!

**Megan Lau** is a junior Instrumental and General Music Education major from De Pere. Megan is a member of the St. Norbert Wind Ensemble, Concert Band, Bell Choir, and Flute Choir. She is also heavily involved in the TRIPS Program as both a trip participant and trip leader and is a member of St. Norbert's NAfME chapter, Phi Kappa Phi honor society, and the St. Norbert Women's Golf Team. She can also be found working as a music office assistant or as a barista at Starbucks in De Pere. Megan would like to thank her friends, family, and the music faculty for all of their support!

**John Dicks** is a sophomore from Lake Villa, IL studying communication and theater with a minor in music. He is involved in Chamber singers, Abbey Singers, and is taking vocal lessons with Linda Feldmann. He has also been part of several plays here such as *Ghosts of Myself* and *She Kills Monsters*. John is now the president of Knight Theater and was in *Hunchback of Notre Dame* as Lieutenant Frederick. He is part of the fraternity Phi Delta Theta and was part of the GAP program last year. He would like to thank his family and friends for all their support and hopes you enjoy the concert.

**Emily Brewer** is a Music Performance major from Fond du Lac, WI. Emily has studied saxophone within the studio of Dr. John Salerno and is extremely excited to be attending graduate school at the University of Minnesota - Twin Cities to further her music education. While at St. Norbert College, Emily has been involved in various ensembles, including Wind Ensemble, Jazz Ensemble, Saxophone Ensemble, Pit Orchestra, and Concert Band. Other activities that she has participated in is NAfME, Knight Theater, and Omicron Delta Kappa. Emily is also a new member of the Society of Composers Incorporated and has thoroughly enjoyed her time composing at SNC. She would genuinely like to thank her family, friends, and professors for all their wisdom, support, and encouragement the past four years!

**David Wittmann** is a senior from Oconomowoc, WI, and will be graduating this May with degrees in Biology (Biomedical Concentration) and Music. During his time at St. Norbert College, David has studied piano with Elaine Moss. He has also participated in Piano Ensemble, as well as accompanied several voice and instrumental students. Outside of music, David is a member of the St. Norbert College Honor's Program, the Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society, and currently serves as the Vice-President of the American Medical Student Association. He has spent three summers conducting research on prognostic markers related to

pancreatic cancer at the Medical College of Wisconsin. Following graduation, David will be working on his research as well as applying to medical schools. He would like to thank his family, friends, and professors for their continual support and mentorship throughout his college career.

Hannah Knutson of Greeneville, TN will be graduating with a degree in Vocal Performance and Media Studies. During her time at St. Norbert College, she has been involved in Chamber Singers, Women's Choir, Opera Workshop, and the St. Norbert College Abbey Singers, studying voice in the voice studio of Dr. Yi-Lan Niu. She has participated in many productions held on campus, some of her favorites being CATS, Suor Angelica, Legally Blonde, Chicago, and A Chorus Line. She has also been a member of the Delta Phi Epsilon sorority, holding various positions within the group. After graduation, Hannah will be living out her childhood dream and interning with the Disney College Program in Orlando, Florida. She hopes to pursue performance within the company after completing the program. She would like to thank her family and friends for their never-ending support throughout her life, and for being a source of motivation and inspiration for her in all her endeavors.

Adam Rohde, of Beaver Dam, WI, is a senior Physics major and Mathematics minor. While at St. Norbert College, he has been a three-time varsity letter recipient on the Men's Golf Team and has worked as a teaching assistant in the Physics department. Aside from Wind Ensemble, he has participated in brass ensemble, brass quintet, and the newly founded Acafellas, an allmale a cappella group on campus. This is his fourth semester in the studio of Dr. Linda Cook. Adam would like to thank his parents and sister for their overwhelming support throughout his life, especially in his music career at St. Norbert College. He would also like to thank Dr. Cook for her dedication to helping him grow as a musician.

**Nicholas Surprise** is a sophomore studying Biology from Wautoma, WI. He has studied voice in the studio of Dr. Michael Rosewall for four semesters. His collegiate vocal experiences include Chamber Singers, Knights on Broadway, and Knight Theatre, where he recently portrayed Quasimodo in "The Hunchback of Notre Dame". Outside of the performing arts, Nicholas is an avid writer; his poetry was recently published in a national collection. Nicholas would like to thank his family for all of their support and Dr. Rosewall for understanding his obsessive and logical approach to music.

William (Billy) Myers of Port Washington, Wisconsin is a junior studying instrumental and general music education. Billy has been a part of many ensembles here at St. Norbert College including the Jazz Band, Wind Ensemble, Sax Quartet, Bell Choir and the Klezmer Ensemble. Billy is also a member of St. Norbert college's chapter of NAfME, he has been involved in Knight Theatre, and he has participated in the TRIPS program. He would like to thank Dr. Salerno, and all of his professors, for the guidance they have provided in his studies here at St. Norbert College.

Elissa Ribbens is a sophomore Piano Performance major from De Pere. She has been involved in many musical activities at SNC, including Chamber Singers, Knight Theatre, and accompanying numerous vocal and instrumental events on campus. She is also an intern with the Birder Chorale, accompanies choral concerts and Solo and Ensemble events in the community, and regularly plays pit keyboard for musicals in the Green Bay area. Elissa is excited to play in the Honors Recital for her second year, and she would especially like to thank her sophomore theory fam for their unfailing friendship and impeccable judgment.

Megan P. O'Neil, from Naperville, Illinois, will be graduating from St. Norbert this May with a degree in Music Education and certification in Choral and General Music. Megan has studied voice within the studio of Ms. Bethany Thier and Dr. Sarah Parks and is thoroughly excited about her future career in being a music educator. Within her time at SNC, Megan has been involved in Concert Choir, Chamber Singers, Individual Voice Lessons, Opera Workshop, and The Abbey Singers of St. Norbert Abbey. She has also participated in various theatre productions such as a Story Teller/Gargoyle in Knight Theatre's production of *The Hunchback of Notre Dame*, D.A. Joyce Riley in Knight Theatre's production of *Legally Blonde*, Electra in the Birder Studios' production of *CATS* (2016 & 2017), The Monitor in SNC Opera Workshop's production of *Sour Angelica*, and A Nun in Benet Academy's production of *The Sound of Music*. Megan would like to thank her Mom, Dad, and her sister, Veronica for all their love and support! Megan would also like to thank Marcel and all her other fellow music majors for all of their friendship and help over the past four years! I can't wait to see what you all do in the years to come! Love you all!

Please join us in the front lobby for a reception following the concert.

## St. Norbert College Music Department Events Spring 2018

#### May

1 Honors Recital, Dudley Birder Hall, 7:30 p.m.\*

#### June

11-15 Summer Band Camp, Walter Theatre, concert on the 15<sup>th</sup> @ 7:30 p.m.\* For info go to: <a href="www.snc.edu/music/camps">www.snc.edu/music/camps</a> Grades 5-9

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