Homecoming Concert

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2021
CENTER FOR FAITH AND LIFE

LUTHER COLLEGE SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA
Daniel Baldwin, conductor

Symphony No. 3 in E-flat major, Op. 55 (Sinfonia Eroica)
Ludwig van Beethoven (1770–1827)
   III. Scherzo: Allegro vivace

Global Warming (1991)
Michael Abels (b. 1962)

PRESENTATION OF RICHARD C. AND JOANN M. HEMP
FAMILY PRIZE FOR ORCHESTRAL PERFORMANCE
Recipient: Gibson Swalley ’22

PROGRAM NOTES
“Global Warming” was written around the time of the collapse of the Berlin Wall, when
the Cold War was ending. Living in Los Angeles, I’ve been able to learn about music from
around the world simply by opening the window; among my neighbors are immigrants
from every corner of the world. I was intrigued by the similarities between folk music of
divergent cultures and decided to write a piece that celebrates these common threads
as well as the sudden improvement in international relations that was occurring. Since
the piece was commissioned for an orchestra in the desert city of Phoenix, AZ, “Global
Warming” was the title that seemed to incorporate all these ideas best.

The opening section of the piece is a vision of the traditional idea of global warming—a
vast desert, the relentless heat punctuated by the buzzing of cicadas, and an anguished,
frenetic violin solo. This scene gives way to several episodes reminiscent of folk music
of various cultures, most noticeably Irish and Middle Eastern. At the climax of the
piece, a Middle Eastern melody is transformed, through gradual changes in rhythm and
ornamentation, back into the Irish refrain, and many counter-melodies join in to present a
noisy yet harmonious world village. This joyous moment is broken by a sudden return to
the stark vision of the opening, leaving it to the listener to decide which image may more
accurately reflect the future.

Michael Abels
SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA PERSONNEL

Flute
*Leigh Hjelmseth, Bellingham, Wash.
Megan Grimm, Cedar Rapids, Iowa
Clara Wodny, Duluth, Minn.
Valorie Ziemer, Viola, Minn.

Oboe
*Robert Clower, Grinnell, Iowa
Anna (Kemp) and Russell Norris Chair
Britta Elsbernd, Mason City, Iowa
Abigail Toussaint, Decorah, Iowa

Clarinet
*Sam Maston, Hudson, Mass.
Isabel de la Cruz Hexom, Decorah, Iowa
Carl Lee, Lewiston, Minn.

Bassoon
*Spencer Ketterling, Rochester, Minn.
Helen (Hoff) James Chair
Emily Fisher, Onalaska, Wis.
Kirsten Loynachan, Marion, Iowa

Horn
*Ethan Erickson, Rochester, Minn.
Erik, Kari, Maren Engebretson Chair
Isak Anderson, Ames, Iowa
Frost Bowen-Bailey, Duluth, Minn.
Erin Villmow, Glen Ellyn, Ill.

Trumpet
*Emma Gibson, Iowa City, Iowa
Dr. Ronald and Carole Fox Chair
Austin Efflandt, East Moline, Ill.
Isaiah Nordine, Rochester, Minn.

Trombone
*Samuel Wilson, Decorah, Iowa
Dorothy (Bonnell) and Russell Ziemer Chair
McKenna Gager, Woodbury, Minn.
Bass Trombone
Emily Frett, Grimes, Iowa

Tuba
Mark Severtson, Ann Arbor, Mich.

Percussion
Kai Davis, Twin Falls, Idaho
Sophia Kouay, St. Paul, Minn.
Tanner Olsen, Shakopee, Minn.

Harp
Julie Knox, guest artist

First Violin
*Benjamin Gunsch, Rochester, Minn.
Torgerson Concertmaster
Gibson Swalley, Roseville, Minn.
Richard C. and Joann M. Hemp Scholar
Kirstin Kribs, Mason, Mich.
Benjamin Wentzel, Sioux Falls, S.D.
Eric Head, Fairmont, Minn.
Christina Rolf, River Falls, Wis.
Amy Webb, Waverly, Iowa
Mary Osborne, Eko, Minn.
Anna Ebnet, Buffalo, Minn.
Catherine Wedin, Lincoln, Neb.

Second Violin
*Emma Prostine, Cedar Rapids, Iowa
Dorothy M. Ansett Chair
Leah Marxhausen, Woodbury, Minn.
Josie Meyer, Robbinsdale, Minn.
Avery Hagstrom, Alexandria, Minn.
Scott Rust, Hudson, Wis.
Mariangely Linder, Northfield, Minn.
Kaitlyn Blackburn, Stacy, Minn.
Kelly Kestner, Cedar Falls, Iowa
Marta Schonebaum, Faribault, Minn.
Sophie Yakes, St. Louis Park, Minn.

Viola
*Jessica Trygstad, Sioux Falls, S.D.
Andrea Nelson and Kathryn Nelson Chair
Kailin Jolstad, Blaine, Minn.
Alex Laskowski, St. Charles, Ill.
Jack Geadelmann, Des Moines, Iowa
Abbey Falconer, Sioux Falls, S.D.
Anastasia Davidson, Cedar Falls, Iowa
Malcolm Wildenberg, Billings, Mont.
Rachel Meehan, Iowa City, Iowa
Cello
*Willa Eacret, Cedar Falls, Iowa  
Dorothy M. Ansett Chair
Lydia Gruenwald, Lombard, Ill.
Nathan Behrens, Falcon Heights, Minn.
Nathan Shimon, Stoughton, Wis.
Emilia Thedens, Iowa City, Iowa
Margaret Snyder, Bemidji, Minn.
Rebekah Nteso, Manitowoc, Wis.
Ella Swalley, Roseville, Minn.
Annika Dome, La Crosse, Wis.
Lani Himegarner, Madison, Wis.
Lauren Gray, Cedar Rapids, Iowa

Double Bass
*Malachi Rettmann, Madison, Wis.
Eli Leupold, Edina, Minn.
Claudia Larson, Golden Valley, Minn.
Colton Baldus, Charles City, Iowa
Kai Stemm, Roseville, Minn.

*principal
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LUTHER COLLEGE CONCERT BAND
Cory Near, conductor

Invictus
Karl King

Steampunk Suite
Erika Svaneo
I. Charlie and the Mechanical Man Marching Band
II. The Strange Case of Dr. Curie and Madam Hyde
III. Bertie Wells attends Mr. Verne’s Lecture on Flying Machines
IV. Barnum & Tesla’s Tandem Bicycle

PRESENTATION OF THE CARLO A. SPERATI AWARD
Recipient: Mollie Busta Lange ’01

PRESENTATION OF THE THEODORE PRESSER AWARD
Recipient: Kaleb Krzyszton ’21

Who Puts Their Trust in God Most Just
J. S. Bach (1685–1750)
Arr. James Croft (1929–2012)

The Stars and Stripes Forever
John Philip Sousa (1854–1932)

CONCERT BAND PERSONNEL

Flute
Elms Elmquist, Rice Lake, Wis.*
Audrey (Hanson) Sorlien and Marilyn (Sorlien) Skatrud Chair for Flute
Katherine Dore, Long Lake, Minn.
Hannah Stoutner, Whitehall, Wis.
Valorie Ziemer, Viola, Minn.
Emma Forbes, Granger, Iowa
Lindsey Parrott, Iowa City, Iowa

Oboe
Britta Elsbernd, Mason City, Iowa†
Abigail Toussaint, Decorah, Iowa†
Liliana McGohan, Decorah, Iowa
Britt Fulton, Minneapolis, Minn.
Payton Lott, Papillion, Neb.

Bassoon
Spencer Ketterling, Rochester, Minn.*
Kirsten Loynachan, Marion, Iowa
Adam McDonald, Cold Spring, Minn.

Contrabassoon
Spencer Ketterling, Rochester, Minn.
**B♭ Clarinet**
Ryan Hinnderaker, Ames, Iowa*

*Rogerson Concertmaster*
Alena Bennett, Omaha, Neb.
Anastasia Davidson, Cedar Falls, Iowa
Emily Kane, Spring Green, Wis.
Carl Lee, Lewiston, Minn.
Sam Maston, Hudson, Mass.
Hannah Saucedo, Harvard, Ill.
Elijah Wallace, Roseville, Minn.
Judith Rosland, Elmhurst, Ill.
Isabel de la Cruz Hexom, Decorah, Iowa
Allegra Garcia, Rochester, Minn.

**Bass Clarinet**
Josie LaVoi, Rochester, Minn.*
Rachel Clennon, Mankato, Minn.

**Alto Saxophone**
Emily Fisher, Onalaska, Wis.*
Riley Frank, Whitehall, Wis.
Anders Peterson, Dassel, Minn.

**Tenor Saxophone**
Nate Sikkink, Stewartville, Minn.
Alex Heidorn, Otsego, Minn.

**Baritone Saxophone**
Carson Weichers, Waverly, Iowa
Ethan Grunewald, Fairmont, Minn.

**Trumpet**
Hannah Wren, Anthem, Ariz.*
Matthew Boardman, Genoa, Wis.
Morgan Coy, Mantorville, Minn.
Broanna Highum, Waterville, Minn.
Austin Efflandt, East Moline, Ill.
Tam Ayers, Arlington, Va.
Alexander Dikelsky, Libertyville, Ill.

**Horn**
Erin Villmow, Glen Ellyn, Ill.†
Sarah Benton, Le Mars, Iowa†
Kellen DeKok, Sheldon, Iowa
Meg Sessions, Decorah, Iowa
Ethan Kober, Cedar Falls, Iowa
Mathea Diedrich, Windsor, Wis.
Ethan Papenfuss, Houston, Minn.
Margaret Stucker, Roseville, Minn.

**Trombone**
Ella Sneltjes, Shoreview, Minn.*
McKenna Gager, Woodbury, Minn.
Kaelyn Kurtenbach-Winch, Reedsburg, Wis.

**Bass Trombone**
Emily Frett, Grimes, Iowa

**Euphonium**
Kaleb Krzyszton, Waumandee, Wis.*
Ted Weigle, St. Michael, Minn.
Jane Ottesen, Eagan, Minn.

**Tuba**
Mark Severtson, Ann Arbor, Mich.*
Madeline Starck, Deer River, Minn.

**Percussion**
Nathan Knautz, Batavia, Ill.*
Tyler Belanger, Colona, Ill.
Micah Miller, Kalona, Iowa
Andrew Mantini, Brooklyn Park, Minn.
Nicholas Drew, St. Joseph, Minn.

**String Bass**
Andi Beckendorf
*Luther College Faculty Member*

**Piano**
Eric Head, Fairmont, Minn.

*principal
†co-principal
LUTHER COLLEGE NORDIC CHOIR
Andrew Last ’97, conductor

Dixit in corde suo
Levente Gyöngyösi
Psalm 53

Why Rage Fiercely the Heathen
Felix Mendelssohn Bartholdy
Psalm 2

The Gift to Sing
Gregory Berg ’82
Text by James Weldon Johnson
Commissioned for the Luther College Nordic Choir by Bill and Carolyn Kobler in honor of the 50th reunion of the Class of 1970

Alleluia
Elaine Hagenberg
Text by Saint Augustine

PRESENTATION OF THE WESTON NOBLE AWARD
Recipient: Timothy Peter ’86

O Lord God
Paul Chesnokov
Russian Liturgy
NORDIC CHOIR PERSONNEL

**Soprano I**
Maggie Callanan, Coralville, Iowa
Emma Fauchier, Cedar Rapids, Iowa
Hallie Johnson, Decorah, Iowa
Stefanie Maas, Brainerd, Minn.
Katelyn Siebert, Waconia, Minn.
Lillian Smith, Decorah, Iowa
Nora Weigle, St. Michael, Minn.*

**Soprano II**
Kaitlyn Andrews, Naperville, Ill.
Liz Burton, Normal, Ill.*
Molly Holcomb, Hoffman Estates, Ill.
Kitri Lindberg, Anoka, Minn.
Madi Miller, Geneseo, Ill.
Gloria Nelson, Stewartville, Minn.
Abby Reis, Apple Valley, Minn.
Madeline Wilkins, La Grange, Ill.#
Zoe Wood, Waukee, Iowa

**Alto I**
Camille Blanford, South Jacksonville, Ill.*
Ashley Harms, Aredale, Iowa
Sienna Haubein, Columbia, Ill.
Cassandra Hultgren, Medina, Minn.
Alondra Pinto, Bolingbrook, Ill.
Laurel Studt, Eau Claire, Wis.
Catherine Vitt, St. Paul, Minn.
Laura Wyre, Newton, Iowa
Madeline Young, Plymouth, Minn.

**Alto II**
Kyla Billington, Readlyn, Iowa
Faye Düster, Solon, Iowa
Jessi Labenski, Northfield, Minn.
Olivia Luster, Janesville, Wis.
Maya Mukamuri, Mankato, Minn.
Camryn Nelson, Maple Grove, Minn.
Amber Olson, Zumbrota, Minn.
Brenna Reiland, White Bear Lake, Minn.
Mia Suzuki, Rochester, Minn.
Abs Trewin, Decorah, Iowa*

**Tenor I**
Desmond Bunting, Gilbert, Ariz.
Patrick Carew, Garner, Iowa
Bjorn Christ, Roseville, Minn.
Francis Cichock, Rockford, Ill.
Elms Elmquist, Rice Lake, Wis.
Josh Kainz, St. Michael, Minn.
Ben Meyer, Waukee, Iowa#
James Nysse, New Richmond, Wis.
Riley Vander Hart, Urbandale, Iowa*

**Tenor II**
Kale Altman, Solon, Iowa
Ani Chauhan, New Delhi, India
Nicholas Drilling, Mound, Minn.
Gabe Goeddeke, Minneapolis, Minn.
Thomas Harding, Naperville, Ill.
Drew Jaeger, Ashippun, Wis.
Cirdan Klindworth, Roseville, Minn.
Nathan Knautz, Batavia, Ill.*
Nate Sikkink, Stewartville, Minn.
Sam Sunderland, Iowa City, Iowa

**Baritone**
William Benjamin, St. Paul, Minn.
Tyler Buhr, Menomonie, Wis.
Bailey Connors, Bettendorf, Iowa*
Nathan Elsbernd, Mason City, Iowa
Noah Howe, Minnetonka, Minn.
Kaleb Krzyszton, Waunakee, Wis.
Sam Lubs, Cedar Falls, Iowa
Hunter Meyer, Belle Plaine, Minn.
Rhyan Peterson, Dodge Center, Minn.
Ethan Williams, Woodbury, Minn.

**Bass**
Spencer Gillian, Sartell, Minn.
Brady Helget, Byron, Minn.
Jack Jorgensen, Janesville, Wis.
Alex Karau, La Crosse, Wis.
Sam Llamzon, Singapore
Logan Olson, East Bethel, Minn.
Seth Olson, Stillwater, Minn.
Noah Rouw, Cedar Falls, Iowa
Eric Shaffer, Coralville, Iowa
Alex Thompson, Urbandale, Iowa*

*section leader
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