Loyola University New Orleans School of Music and Theatre Arts Presents

Graduate Recital Nicholas Anthony Smith, tenor

from the studio of Dr. Tyler Smith

with Jesse Reeks, Accompanist



Friday, May 6, 2022, 7:30 p.m. Nunemaker Auditorium **Program**

"Zueignung" Richard Strauss
"Morgen!" (1864-1949)
"Allerseelen"

"Nuit étoiles" Claude Debussy

"Chanson triste" (1862-1918)
Henri Duparc (1848-1933)

"O del mio amato ben"

Stefano Donaudy

(1879-1925)

"Discourse le et all."

"E lucevan le stelle" Giacomo Puccini from *Tosca* (1858-1924)

Intermission

On This Island Benjamin Britten i. "Let the florid music praise!" (1913-1976)

ii. "Now the leaves are falling fast"

iii. "Seascape"

iv. "Nocturne" v. "As it is, Plenty"

"Bring Him Home" from Les Misérables

Claude-Michel Schönberg b.1944

Translations

Zueignung

Yes, dear soul, you know
That I'm in torment far from
you,
Love makes hearts sick –
Be thanked.
Once, revelling in freedom,
I held the amethyst cup aloft
And you blessed that draught –
Be thanked.

And you banished the evil spirits,
Till I, as never before,

Holy, sank holy upon your heart

Be thanked.

Morgen!

Allerseelen

Set on the table the fragrant mignonettes, Bring in the last red asters, And let us talk of love again As once in May. Give me your hand to press in secret, And if people see, I do not care, Give me but one of your sweet glances As once in May. Each grave today has flowers and is fragrant, One day each year is devoted to the dead; Come to my heart and so be mine again, As once in May.

Nuit d'étoiles

Night of stars,
Beneath your veils,
beneath yoru breeze and
fragrance,
Sad lyre
That sighs,
I dream of bygone loves.
Serene melancholy
Now blooms deep in my heart,

And tomorrow the sun will shine again
And on the path that I shall take,
It will unite us, happy ones, again,
Amid this same sun-breathing earth ...
And to the shore, broad, bluewaved,
We shall quietly and slowly descend,
Speechless we shall gaze into each other's eyes,
And the speechless silence of bliss shall fall on us ...

And I hear the soul of my love Quiver in the dreaming woods. Night of stars... Once more at our fountain I see Your eyes as blue as the sky; This rose is your breath And these stars are your eyes. Night of stars...

Chanson triste

Moonlight slumbers in your heart,

A gentle summer moonlight, And to escape the cares of life I shall drown myself in your light.

I shall forget past sorrows, My sweet, when you cradle My sad heart and my thoughts In the loving calm of your arms.

O del mio amato ben

Oh, lost enchantment of my dearly beloved! Far from my eyes is he who was, to me, glory and pride! Now through the empty rooms I always seek him and call him with a heart full of hopes?

But I seek in vain, I call in vain! And the weeping is so dear to me, that with weeping alone I nourish my heart.

It seems to me, without him, sad everywhere. The day seems like night to me; the fire seems cold to me. If, however, I sometimes hope to give myself to another cure, one thought alone torments me:

But without him, what shall I do? To me, life seems a vain thing without my beloved.

You will rest my poor head, Ah! sometimes on your lap, And recite to it a ballad That will seem to speak of us; And from your eyes full of sorrow, From your eyes I shall then drink So many kisses and so much love That perhaps I shall be healed.

E lucevan le stelle

And the stars were shining, And the earth was scented The gate of the garden creaked And a footstep grazed the sand... Fragrant, she entered And fell into my arms.

Oh, sweet kisses and languorous caresses,

While feverishly I stripped the beautiful form of its veils! Forever, my dream of love has vanished.

That moment has fled, and I die in desperation.

And I die in desperation! And I never before loved life so much,

Loved life so much