

# **BLACK & *GOLD***

**The Senior Voice Recital of**  
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Virtual Event  
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# **Program**

5 Mélodies populaires grecques (Translated by Michel Dmitri Calvocoressi) Maurice Ravel

1. Chanson de la mariée (1875-1937)

2. Là-bas, vers l'église

3. Quel galant m'est comparable

4. Chanson des cueilleuses de lentisques

5. Tout gai!

Selections from *Mörike-Lieder* (Poetry by Eduard Mörike) Hugo Wolf

Fussreise (1860-1903)

Auf ein altes Bild

Verborgenheit

## **Intermission**

From *Messiah* Georg Frideric Handel

Recitative: Comfort Ye, My People (1685-1759)

Aria: Ev'ry Valley Shall Be Exalted

3 Songs (Poetry by Langston Hughes) Ricky Ian Gordon

Joy (b. 1956-)

Prayer

Heaven

# Text & Translations

## 5 Mélodies populaires grecques

### 1. Chanson de la mariée

Réveille-toi, réveille-toi, perdrix mignonne,  
Ouvre au matin tes ailes.  
Trois grains de beauté, mon cœur en est brûlé!  
Vois le ruban d'or que je t'apporte,  
Pour le nouer autour de tes cheveux.  
Si tu veux, ma belle, viens nous marier! Dans  
nos deux familles, tous sont alliés!

### The Bride's Awakening

Wake up, wake up, pretty partridge,  
Spread your wings to the morning,  
Three beauty spots - and my heart's ablaze.  
See the golden ribbon I bring you  
To tie around your tresses.  
If you wish, my beauty, let us marry!  
In our two families all are related.

### 2. Là-bas, vers l'église

Là-bas, vers l'église,  
Vers l'église Ayio Sidéro,  
L'église, ô Vierge sainte,  
L'église Ayio Costanndino,  
Se sont réunis,  
Rassemblés en nombre infini,  
Du monde, ô Vierge sainte,  
Du monde tous les plus braves!

### Down There, By The Church

Down there by the church,  
By the church of Saint Sideros,  
The church, O Holy Virgin,  
The church of Saint Constantine,  
Are gathered together,  
buried in infinite numbers,  
The bravest people, O Holy Virgin,  
The bravest people in the world!

### **3. Quel galant m'est comparable**

Quel galant m'est comparable,  
D'entre ceux qu'on voit passer?  
Dis, dame Vassiliki?  
Vois, pendus à ma ceinture,  
Pistolets et sabre aigu ...  
Et c'est toi que j'aime

### **What Gallant Can Compare To Me?**

What gallant can compare with me?  
Among those seen passing by?  
Tell me, Mistress Vassiliki?  
See, hanging at my belt,  
Pistols and sharp sword...  
And it's you I love!

### **4. Chanson des cueilleuses de lentisques**

Ô joie de mon âme,  
Joie de mon cœur,  
Trésor qui m'est si cher;  
Joie de l'âme et du cœur,  
Toi que j'aime ardemment,  
Tu es plus beau qu'un ange.  
Ô lorsque tu paraîs, Ange si doux  
Devant nos yeux,  
Comme un bel ange blond,  
Sous le clair soleil,  
Hélas! tous nos pauvres coeurs soupirent!

### **Song of the Lentisk Gatherers**

O joy of my soul,  
joy of my heart,  
Treasure so dear to me;  
Joy of the soul and of the heart,  
You whom I love with passion,  
You are more beautiful than an angel.  
Oh when you appear, angel so sweet,  
Before our eyes,  
Like a lovely, blond angel  
Under the bright sun -  
Alas, all our poor hearts sigh!

### **5. Tout gai!**

Tout gai! gai, Ha, tout gai!  
Belle jambe, tireli, qui danse;  
Belle jambe, la vaisselle danse,  
Tra la la la la ...

### **So merry!**

So merry, Ah, so merry;  
Lovely leg, tireli, that dances  
Lovely leg, the crockery dances,  
Tra la la la la ...

## Selections from Mörike-Lieder

### Fussreise

Am frischgeschnittnen Wanderstab,  
Wenn ich in der Frühe  
So durch Wälder ziehe,  
Hügel auf und ab:  
Dann, wie's Vög'lein im Laube  
Singet und sich röhrt,  
Oder wie die goldne Traube  
Wonnegeister spürt  
In der ersten Morgensonnen:  
So fühlt auch mein alter, lieber  
Adam Herbst – und Frühlingsfieber,  
Gottbeherzte,  
Nie verscherzte  
Erstlings-Paradieseswonne.  
Also bist du nicht so schlimm, o alter  
Adam, wie die strengen Lehrer sagen;  
Liebst und lobst du immer doch,  
Singst und preisest immer noch,  
Wie an ewig neuen Schöpfungstagen,  
Deinen lieben Schöpfer und Erhalter.  
Möcht es dieser geben,  
Und mein ganzes Leben  
Wär im leichten Wanderschweisse  
Eine solche Morgenreise!

### A Journey On Foot

When, with a freshly cut stick,  
I set off early like this  
Through the woods  
And over the hills:  
Then, as the bird in the branches  
Sings and stirs,  
Or as the golden cluster of grapes  
Feels the rapture  
Of the early morning sun:  
So too my dear old Adam  
Feels autumn and spring fever,  
The God-inspired,  
Never forfeited  
Primal bliss of Paradise.  
So you are not as bad, old  
Adam, as strict teachers say;  
You still love and extol,  
Still sing and praise,  
As if Creation were forever new,  
Your dear Maker and Preserver.  
If only He would grant it,  
My whole life  
Would be, gently perspiring,  
Just such a morning journey!

### **Auf Ein Altes Bild**

In grüner Landschaft Sommerflor,  
Bei kühlem Wasser, Schilf und Rohr,  
Schau, wie das Knäblein sündelos  
Frei spielt auf der Jungfrau Schoss!  
Und dort im Walde wonnesam,  
Ach, grünet schon des Kreuzes Stamm!

### **On An Old Painting**

In the summer haze of a green landscape,  
By cool water, rushes and reeds,  
See how the Child, born without sin,  
Plays freely on the Virgin's lap!  
And ah! growing blissfully there in the wood,  
Already the tree of the cross is turning green!

### **Verborgenheit**

Lass, o Welt, o lass mich sein!  
Locket nicht mit Liebesgaben,  
Lasst dies Herz alleine haben  
Seine Wonne, seine Pein!  
Was ich traure, weiss ich nicht,  
Es ist unbekanntes Wehe;  
Immerdar durch Tränen sehe  
Ich der Sonne liebes Licht.  
Oft bin ich mir kaum bewusst,  
Und die helle Freude zücket  
Durch die Schwere, so mich drücket  
Wonniglich in meiner Brust.  
Lass, o Welt, o lass mich sein!  
Locket nicht mit Liebesgaben,  
Lasst dies Herz alleine haben  
Seine Wonne, seine Pein!

### **Seclusion**

Let, O world, O let me be!  
Do not tempt with gifts of love,  
Let this heart keep to itself  
Its rapture, its pain!  
I do not know why I grieve,  
It is unknown sorrow;  
Always through a veil of tears  
I see the sun's beloved light.  
Often, I am lost in thought,  
And bright joy flashes  
Through the oppressive gloom,  
Bringing rapture to my breast.  
Let, O world, O let me be!  
Do not tempt with gifts of love,  
Let this heart keep to itself  
Its rapture, its pain!

## **Messiah**

### **Comfort Ye, My People**

Comfort ye,  
Comfort ye my people  
Saith your God  
Speak ye comfortably to Jerusalem  
And cry unto her,  
That her warfare is accomplish'd,  
That her iniquity is pardon'd  
The voice of him  
That crieth in the wilderness:  
Prepare ye the way of the Lord,  
Make straight in the desert  
A highway for our God

### **Ev'ry Valley Shall Be Exalted**

Ev'ry valley shall be exalted  
And ev'ry mountain and hill made low,  
The crooked straight  
And the rough places plain

## **Joy**

I went to look for joy  
Slim, dancing joy  
Gay, laughing joy  
Bright-eyed joy  
And I found her  
Driving the butcher's cart  
In the arms of the butcher boy  
Such company, such company,  
As keeps this young nymph, Joy!

## **Heaven**

Heaven,  
Heaven is the place where  
Happiness is ev'rywhere,  
Animals and birds sing,  
As does everything,  
To each stone,  
“How do you do?”  
Stone answers back,

## **Prayer**

I ask you this:  
Which way to go?  
I ask you this:  
Which sin to bear?  
Which crown to put  
Upon my hair?  
I do not know,  
Lord God,  
I do not know.

“Well, and you?”  
Heaven,  
Heaven is the place where  
Happiness is everywhere  
Everywhere  
Heaven