

CLARE COLLEGE CHAPEL

Vocal Recital

Sunday 5 May 2024 at 5.25 p.m.

John Gallant (Clare 2022) | bass Isabella Theodosius (Clare 2022) | mezzo-soprano Sing Wei Lim (Clare 2022) | mezzo-soprano Isaac Chan (Clare 2023) | piano Raphael Herberg (Clare 2022) | piano

Nyet, tolko tot kto znal, Op. 6, No. 6

Trepak from Songs and Dances of Death

Cinque...dieci...venti... from Le nozze di Figaro

If we're weak enough to tarry from Iolanthe

Suave sia il vento from Così fan tutte

None shall part us from each other from Iolanthe

La ci darem la mano from Don Giovanni

All I ask of you from Phantom of the Opera

Falling into you from Bridges of Madison County

Pytor Ilyich Tchaikovsky (1840–93)

Modest Mussorgsky (1839–81)

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756–91)

Arthur Sullivan (1842–1900)

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Andrew Lloyd-Webber (1948–)

Jason Robert Brown (1970-)

Nyet, tolko tot kto znal

Net, tol'ko tot, kto znal svidan'ja, zhazhdu, pojmjot, kak ja stradal i kak ja strazhdu.

Gljazhu ja vdal'... net sil, tusknejet oko... Akh, kto menja ljubil i znal - daleko!

Akh, tol'ko tot, kto znal svidan'ja zhazhdu, pojmjot, kak ja stradal i kak ja strazhdu. No, only one who has known What it is to long for one's beloved Can know how I have suffered And how I suffer still.

I gaze into the distant — but my strength fails me, My sight grows dim... Ah, the one who loved me And knew me is far away now!

My breast is all aflame — whoever has known What it is to long for one's beloved Can know how I have suffered And how I suffer still.

Words Lev Aleksandrovich Mey (1822–62)
Translation Philip Ross Bullock

Trepak

Les da poljany, bezljud'e krugom. V'juga i plachet i stonet, Chujetsja, budto vo mrake nochnom, Zlaja, kogo-to khoronit; Gljad', tak i jest'! V temnote muzhika Smert' obnimajet, laskajet, S p'janen'kim pljashet vdvojom trepaka, Na ukho pesn' napevajet: Oj, muzhichok, starichok ubogoj, P'jan napilsja, popljolsja dorogoj, A mjatel'-to, ved'ma, podnjalas', vzygrala. S polja v les dremuchij nevznachaj zagnala. Gorem, toskoj da nuzhdoj tomimyj, Ljag, prikorni, da usni, rodimyi! Ja tebja, golubchik moj, snezhkom sogreju, Vkrug tebja velikuju igru zateju. Vzbej-ka postel', ty mjatel'-lebjodka! Gej, nachinaj, zapevaj pogodka! Skazku, da takuju, chtob vsju noch' tjanulas', Chtob p'janchuge krepko pod nejo zasnulos'!

Oj, vy lesa, nebesa, da tuchi, Tem', veterok, da snezhok letuchij! Svejtes' pelenoju, snezhnoj, pukhovoju; Jeju, kak mladenca, starichka prikroju... Spi, moj druzhok, muzhichok schastlivyj, Leto prishlo, rascvelo! Nad nivoj solnyshko smejotsja da serpy gljajut,

Pesenka nesjotsja, golubki letajut...

Forests and glades, not a soul in sight.

A blizzard wails and howls.

In the darkness of night,

It is as if someone is being buried by some evil force:

Just look — it is so! In the darkness, Death tenderly embraces a peasant,

Leading the drunken man in a lively dance,

And singing this song in his ear: 'Oh, poor peasant, pitiful old man,

Drunk and stumbling on your way,

And the blizzard, like a witch, rose up and raged,

Driving you by chance from the field into the deep woods.

Oppressed by grief and sadness and want, Lay down, rest and sleep, my dear!

I will warm you, my friend, with a cover of snow,

Weaving a great game around you.

Whip up a bed, oh swan-like snowstorm!

Hey, you elements, strike up a song,

Spin a tale that will last all night,

So that that old drunk might sleep soundly to its strains!

Hey, you woods and heavens and storm clouds,

Darkness and winds and driving snow!

Spin him a shroud of downy snow,

And I will swathe the old man, like a new-born child...

Sleep, my friend, you fortunate peasant,

Summer has come, all in bloom!

The sun smiles down on the cornfield and the sickles glimmer,

A song wafts across the air and the doves are flying...'

Words Arseny Golenischev-Kutuzov (1848-1913) Translation Philip Ross Bullock

Cinque...dieci...venti

[Figaro:]

Cinque... dieci.... venti... trenta... trentasei...quarantatre

[Susanna:]

Ora sì ch'io son contenta; sembra fatto inver per me. Guarda un po', mio caro Figaro, guarda adesso il mio cappello.

[Figaro:]

Sì mio core, or è più bello, sembra fatto inver per te.

/Figaro:7

Five ... ten ... twenty ... thirty ... Thirty-six ... forty-three

[Susanna:]

Yes, I'm very pleased with that; It seems just made for me. Take a look, dear Figaro, Just look at this hat of mine.

[Figaro:]

Yes, my dearest, it's very pretty; It looks just made for you. [Susanna e Figaro:]
Ah, il mattino alle nozze vicino
quanto è dolce al mio/tuo tenero sposo
questo bel cappellino vezzoso
che Susanna ella stessa si fe'.

[Susanna and Figaro:]
On this morning of our wedding
How delightful to my (your) dear one
Is this pretty little hat
Which Susanna made herself.

Words Lorenzo Da Ponte (1749–1838)

If we're weak enough to tarry

[Strephon:]
If we're weak enough to tarry
Ere we marry you and I
Of the feeling I inspire
You may tire by and by
For peers with flowing coffers
Press the offers that is why
For I think we should not tarry
Ere we marry you and I

[Phyllis:]
If we're weak enough to tarry
Ere we marry,
You and I,
With a more attractive maiden,
Jewel-laden,
You may fly.
If by chance we should be parted,
Broken-hearted
I should dieSo I think we will not tarry
Ere we marry, You and I.

[Strephon and Phyllis:]
Ah!
Ah!
If we're weak enough to tarry
Ere we marry,
You and I,
With a more attractive maiden,
Jewel-laden,
You may fly.
You and I.

If we're weak enough to tarry
Ere we marry,
You and I,
With a more attractive maiden,
Jewel-laden,
You may fly.
So I think we will not tarry
Ere we marry,
You and I,
You and I.

So ave sia il vento

Soave sia il vento, Tranquilla sia l'onda, Ed ogni elemento Benigno risponda Ai nostri/vostri desir. Gentle be the breeze, Calm be the waves, And every element Smile in favour On their wish.

Words Lorenzo da Ponte

None shall part us from each other

[Phyllis:]
None shall part us
From each other,
One in life
And death are we:
All in all
To one another,
I to thee
And thou to me!—
All in all
To one anotherI to theeAnd thou to me!

[Phyllis and Strephon:]
Thou the tree,
And I the flower;
Thou the idol,
I the throngThou the day and I the hour,
Thou the singer; I the song!

[Strephon:]
All in all since that fond meeting
When, in joy, I woke to find
Mine the heart, within thee beating,
Mine the love that heart enshrined!

Mine the heart, within the beating
Mine the love, that love enshrined!

[Phyllis and Strephon:] Thou the stream, And I the willow Thou the sculptor; I the clay-Thou the ocean; I the billow,—Thou the sunrise; I the day!

La ci darem la mano

[Don Giovanni:]
Eh, un'impostura
Della gente plebea.
La nobilità
Ha dipinta negli occhi
L'onesta.
Orsù, non perdiam tempo:
In questo istante
Io ti voglio sposar.

[Zerlina:] Voi?

[Don Giovanni:] Certo, io! Quel casinetto è mio: Soli saremo, E là, gioiello mio, Ci sposeremo.

Là ci darem la mano, Là mi dirai di sì. Vedi, non è lontano; Partiam, ben mio, da qui.

[Zerlina:] Vorrei e non vorrei; Mi trema un poco il cor. Felice, è ver sarei, Ma può burlarmi ancor.

[Don Giovanni:] Vieni, mio bel diletto!

[Zerlina:] Mi fa pietà Masetto.

[Don Giovanni:] Io cangierò tua sorte!

[Zerlina:]
Presto, non son più forte!

[Don Giovanni:] Vieni! Vieni! Là ci darem la mano!

[Zerlina:] Vorrei, e non vorrei!

[Don Giovanni:] Là mi dirai di sì. [Don Giovanni:]
Oh, a mere slander
Spread by common folk.
True nobility
Can been seen in the honesty
Of one's eyes.
Come now, let's not waste time.
I want to marry you

[Zerlina:] You?

On the spot.

[Don Giovanni:]
Of course.
That little villa there is mine,
And there,
My jewel,
We will be married.

There you will give me your hand, There you will tell me 'yes'. You see, it is not far; Let us leave, my beloved.

[Zerlina:]
I'd like to, but yet would not.
My heart trembles a little.
It's true I would be happy,
But he may just be tricking me.

[Don Giovanni:]
Come, my dearly beloved!

[Zerlina:]
I'm sorry for Masetto.

[Don Giovanni:]
I will change your life!

[Zerlina:]
Soon I won't be able to resist

[Don Giovanni:] Come! Come! There you will give me your hand.

[Zerlina:]
I'd like to, but yet I would not.

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[Zerlina:]

Presto, non son più forte!

[Don Giovanni:]

Andiam! Andiam!

[Zerlina:]

Andiam!

[Don Giovanni e Zerlina:]

Andiam, andiam, mio bene,

A ristorar le pene

D'un innocente amor!

[Zerlina:]

My heart trembles a little.

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Let us leave, my beloved.

[Zerlina:]

But he may just be tricking me.

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[Zerlina:]

Soon I won't be able to resist.

[Don Giovanni:]

Let us go!

[Zerlina:]

Let us go!

[Don Giovanni and Zerlina:]

Let us go, let us go, my beloved,

To soothe the pangs

Of an innocent love!

Words Lorenzo da Ponte

All I ask of you

[Raoul:]

No more talk of darkness
Forget these wide-eyed fears
I'm here, nothing can harm you
My words will warm and calm you
Let me be your freedom
Let daylight dry your tears
I'm here, with you, beside you
To guard you and to guide you

[Christine:]

Say you love me every waking moment Turn my head with talk of summertime Say you need me with you now and always Promise me that all you say is true That's all I ask of you [Raoul:]
Let me be your shelter
Let me be your light
You're safe, no one will find you
Your fears are far behind you

[Christine:]
All I want is freedom
A world with no more night
And you, always beside me
To hold me and to hide me

[Raoul:]
Then say you'll share with me
One love, one lifetime
Let me lead you from your solitude

Say you want me with you here, beside you Anywhere you go, let me go too Christine, that's all I ask of you

[Christine:]
Say you'll share with me
One love, one lifetime
Say the word and I will follow you

[Raoul and Christine:] Share each day with me Each night, each morning

[Christine:] Say you love me

[Raoul:] You know I do

[Raoul and Christine:]
Love me that's all I ask of you
Anywhere you go
Let me go too
Love me - that's all I ask of you

Words Charles Hart (1961–)

Falling into you

[Robert:]

What was I saying before about being lost? The thing is, I knew where I was But not where I was going Why did I walk those mountains?

Why did I ride those ships?

Why did I watch those horses running wild?

Now I know

Now I know.

All my life, I have been falling I have been falling into you Francesca.

Circling in the sky Looking for a harbor Coming into view All my life, I have been falling Into you

[Francesca:] Know this feeling To know this moment To cross this line

[Robert:] Adding up all those minutes Staring through all I saw How could I know the answer Would be you?

[Francesca:] How could I know the answer Would be you?

[Robert:] Only you

[Robert and Francesca:] All my life I have been falling I have been falling into you Francesca This is where I land You are what I've looked for Now is what is true All my life

[Robert:] I have been falling Into you