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NEW MUSIC @ LAWRENCE

Singer Pur



**LAWRENCE
UNIVERSITY**
APPLETON, WISCONSIN

Singer Pur: *The Sound of Beauty*

October 13, 2015 • 8 p.m.
Lawrence Memorial Chapel

Claudia Reinhard, soprano
Rüdiger Ballhorn, tenor
Markus Zapp, tenor
Manuel Warwitz, tenor
Reiner Schneider-Waterberg, baritone
Marcus Schmidl, bass

Hildegard von Bingen (1098–1179) *O pastor animarum*
Joanne Metcalf (*1958) *Ego dilecto meo*

Gavin Bryars (*1943) *Da ciel venne messo nouvello*
Raitis Grigalis (*1975) *Es sang vor langen Jahren*
Ivan Moody (*1964) *Canticum Cantorum II*
Sting (*1951, arr. S. Sieg) *When we dance*

Johannes Brahms (1833–97) *Nachtwache I*
Arvo Pärt (*1935) *Most Holy Mother of God*
Joanne Metcalf *Maria—Io sono amore angelico*

Intermission

Dominic Ellis '17 *Ode on solitude* (world premiere)

Orlando di Lasso (1532–94) *Quare tristis es*
Wolfgang Rihm (*1952) *Velum templi scissum est*

Chick Corea (*1946) (arr. M. Schmidl) *Crystal Silence*
Yi Chen (*1953) *Written on a rainy night*
Sting (*1951) (arr. C. Gerlitz) *Fragile*

Hans Schanderl (*1960) *Ich bin im Sommer Eis, im Winter Feuer*
György Ligeti (1923–2006) *Cuckoo in the pear-tree*
German folksong (arr. P. Wittrich) *Bunt sind schon die Wälder*
George Gershwin (1889–1937) *They all laughed*

Encores:

Sting

Every little thing she does is magic

Sting

Fields of gold

Singer Pur was founded by five former members of the renowned *Regensburger Domspatzen* boychoir in 1992. A fortunate love affair brought a soprano into their ranks, and soon afterward the *a cappella* sextet, with its unusual combination of voices—soprano, three tenors, baritone and bass—won first prize in the 1994 *Deutscher Musikwettbewerb* (German Music Prize). A year later the group's career as a leading international vocal consort was launched when they were awarded *Grand Prix* for vocal ensembles at the international Tampere Music Festival in Finland. Television and radio appearances, CD recordings, invitations to major festivals and concerts in over 50 countries rapidly established Singer Pur's flourishing international career.

There are no stylistic limitations to Singer Pur's repertoire; its programs include music that ranges from the medieval era to the contemporary avant-garde. The ensemble has commissioned many new compositions and has collaborated with such diverse performers as The Hilliard Ensemble composer and jazz clarinet player Michael Riessler, clarinetist David Orlowsky, the Berlin Radio Symphony Orchestra and the Symphony Orchestra of WDR Cologne.

Singer Pur records regularly for the Oehms Classics label, and its discography consists of more than 20 CDs, several of which have won prestigious awards, including *Le Choc de l'Année* from the French music magazine *Le Monde de la Musique* and three *ECHO Klassik* (the German "Grammy") awards in 2005, 2007 and 2011. Singer Pur has also received many other awards for its cultural contributions, among them the 2008 Culture Award of the City of Regensburg, the 2013 Bavarian State Prize for Music and the prestigious 2013 Caeciliaprijs (Belgium).

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Singer Pur

Tuesday, October 13, 2015 • 8 p.m.
Memorial Chapel

Richard Craig, flute, and David Reville, electronics, *SOLO*

Saturday, October 31, 2015 • 8 p.m.
Harper Hall, Music-Drama Center

David Kaplan, piano

Wednesday, February 3, 2016 • 8 p.m.
Harper Hall, Music-Drama Center

Steve Reich, *Music for Eighteen Musicians*: 40th anniversary celebration

Sunday, April 24, 2016 • 8 p.m.
Memorial Chapel

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