## SEATTLE RECORDER SOCIETY

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# From the Music Director (Vicki Boeckman)



Greetings, everyone! My goodness—January zipped right along and here we are getting ready for the February meeting already! It gives me great pleasure to announce that the February meeting will be led by the unparallelled team of Phil and Gayle Neuman from Oregon City, Oregon. Those of you who were here two years ago are sure to remember their session full of innovative wit and humor. Between the two of them, I would be hard pressed to

discover an instrument that they don't play, or a style of music that they haven't delved into. I am eagerly looking forward to attending with my Neuman cornamuse in hand . . . and mouth . . .

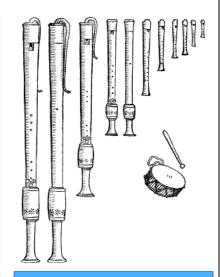
# About the Opening Program (Phil and Gayle Neuman; photo by Bill Stickney)

We'll be bringing the celebratory, c. 1400 tribute to Venice by Johannes Ciconia "Venecie mundi splendor," a set of lively dances from 17th century Transylvania, and a chanson that also works great for double reed instruments from the Regensburg manuscript A.R. 775-7 entitled "Tant vous alles" by Ebran. We'll follow those with a set of delightful gaillardes published by Pierre Phalèse, a splendid canzona by Floriano Canale "Robbata," and two arrangements by Phil: "Fantasia on Mayo Air" based on a soaring tune from the west of Ireland, and Count Basie's fabulous "April in Paris."

Please bring recorders, viols, and soft double reed instruments. There's even a part for tambourine!

See you soon, Phil and Gayle





#### **SRS Meeting**

Friday, Feb. 5th, 2016 @ 7:30 p.m

**Opening Program**Phil and Gayle Neuman

# Playing Session (Phil and Gayle Neuman)

A variety that defies a three-word description!

(Recorders, viols, and soft double reeds welcome)

The Backroom Gang (Sally Mitchell)

Music will be provided.

## **Board Meeting Reminder**

Tuesday, February 9th at 7:30 pm

Next Newsletter Deadline



Friday, Feb. 12th

### Two Celebrations for "Play-the-Recorder Month" — March, 2016

First Event: Saturday, March 12th — 10 a.m. - Noon

What: "Play-the-Recorder Month Repertoire Past and Present"

Explore the new piece "Steamed Bass and Fischmaul" by Matthias Maute & look at old favorites from years past.

Where: 5730 NE 60th Street, Seattle

**RSVP:** Everyone welcome, but RSVP is needed to be sure there are enough copies and space.

Contact: Laura Faber at <a href="mailto:beginbaroque@gmail.com">beginbaroque@gmail.com</a> or (206) 619-0671.

### Second Event: Saturday, March 19th — 1 p.m. - 2 p.m.

You are invited to a celebration of the recorder! Come and enjoy a variety of ensembles. If you would like to participate, please see the information below.

"Play-in": All recorder players are welcome to play. Bring a stand to set up in front of the stage with a warm-up beginning at 12:50 p.m. We will play at 1:00 p.m. Anyone who can read music on the recorder is welcome to play (intermediate level and up). We will play "Steamed Bass and Fischmaul" by Matthias Maute, composed especially for the occasion of "Play-the-Recorder Day" which is March 19th, 2016! Copies of the "Play-in" music will be available at the event, or ARS (American Recorder Society) members can print a copy in advance at <a href="www.americanrecorder.org">www.americanrecorder.org</a> (see the Programs menu). ARS members can also find a copy of the music score in the centerfold of the Winter 2015 issue of \*American Recorder\* magazine.

Main Program: Groups can sign up if there is still space. Please contact Nancy Gorbman at ngorbman@hotmail.com or (206) 852-4762. The theme this year is "Dances & Stories" so the music should relate to this theme in some way (i.e., music in a dance form, accompaniment to a dance, music that tells a story or accompanies a story . . . use your imagination!). Groups of young adults, children, or mixed ensembles are welcome to play. Playing time should be approximately 5-10 minutes with a very brief introduction, if any (2-4 sentences). Plan to arrive 30 minutes early—by 12:30 p.m., if possible.

To find out more about the ARS "Play-the-Recorder Month," read the current issue of ARS NOVA (the ARS eMagazine). If you haven't already subscribed, click this link to sign up—it's free!

http://www.americanrecorder.org/index.php

For more information, contact Nancy Gorbman at <a href="mailto:ngorbman@hotmail.com">ngorbman@hotmail.com</a> or (206) 852-4762.

I look forward to seeing you at Third Place Commons on March 19th!

# Music from Around the World: Dances and Stories

A "Play the Recorder Month" Celebration!

Saturday, Mar. 19, 2016 (1:00pm - 2:00pm)

Third Place Commons 17171 Bothell Way N.E., Lake Forest Park

Join us for a concert of recorder music for all ages.

"Play-In" begins at 1:00pm in front of the stage for "Play the Recorder Day". Bring your own recorder if you would like to play – music provided.

Enter a free drawing to win a plastic recorder!

Sponsored by the Seattle Recorder Society and the American Recorder Society.

## Recorder Classes (Laura Faber)

Note: New beginners are welcome at any time. Contact Laura to get started.

Advanced Beginner/Lower Intermediate Ensemble Mondays – 7:45 to 9:15 pm

Advanced Beginner/Lower Intermediate Ensemble Thurs. – 10:30 am to 12:30 pm

*Intermediate Ensemble* Mondays – 6 to 7:30 pm

**Bass Class**Saturdays – 10 am to 12 pm

**Class Descriptions** 

Advanced Beginner/ Lower Intermediate Ensemble (SATB) Comfortable with all common fingerings and rhythms

**Intermediate Ensemble (SATBGB)**Playing both F and C instruments, counting halves, reading from parts

#### **Bass Class**

Any player interested in learning more about bass technique may join at any time.

People who are interested should contact Laura by email at <a href="mailto:beginbaroque@gmail.com">beginbaroque@gmail.com</a> or by calling (206) 619-0671.

### A Recorder Residency and Recorder Club (Miyo Aoki)



For the second year, I am teaching recorder to 4th and 5th graders at the Martin Luther King Jr. Elementary School. This "Recorder Residency,"

sponsored by the Seattle Early Music Guild, is a five-week program, at the end of which the students will perform for their school. The residency is currently in week three, and today I was pleased to hear five enthusiastic 5th grade boys perform the two-voice piece I have been teaching them. They were excited to perform for their classmates and eager to demonstrate their mastery of both the tune and its accompaniment.

Last year, the students' enthusiasm for music-making and pride in their musical achievements made me want to give them the opportunity to continue their progress on the recorder. As a result, this year I will be trying out an after school "Recorder Club" to dovetail with the residency and continue until the end of the school year. Although it is in an experimental stage this year and entirely funded by donations, I hope to iron out the kinks to make it an even better program next year, sponsored in part by grants. As a long-term goal, I would like this to lead to a recorder club or ensemble at the nearby middle school, Aki Kurose. Eventually, I hope that some of these kids will become members of the Seattle Recorder Society!

### **2015/2016 SRS Meetings**

Meetings are usually (but not always) held on the first Friday of each month,
September to May,
at 7:30 p.m., Maple Leaf
Lutheran Church,
10005 - 32nd NE, Seattle.
Meetings include a short performance or lecture of interest to recorder and viol players, ensemble playing for all levels of recorder players, and a beginning recorder ensemble.
A \$5.00 donation is requested for non-members.

September 11, 2015 October 9, 2015 November 6, 2015 December 4, 2015 January 8, 2016 February 5, 2016 March 4, 2016 April 8, 2016 May 6, 2016



## Refreshments (February)

Cookies Maja Tritt Betty Swift

*Fruit*Nancy Gorbman

*Veggies* Evelyn Lester

Thank you for volunteering!

# Meeting Notes: January 8th, 2016 (Kathleen Arends; Trillium photos by Bill Stickney)

Announcements included a date to save: Saturday, March 19th, for a Play-the-Recorder Month event. Also, if you have any interest in serving on the board of American Recorder Society, please contact Molly Warner.



Our opening program was given by Trillium, which is Jill Carlsen, Sabine Endrigkeit, and Sarah Perkins, playing German music. Their first piece was from Johann Mattheson (1681-1764). Its four movements demonstrated the trio's beautiful blend of very similar tone colors. The second trio was from C. P. E. Bach (1714-1788), which was the group's choice to perform

for the master class with Aldo Abreu. The dynamics were especially noticeable, a relatively rare feature in recorder performance! And the trio closed with three

miniatures from Harald Genzmer (1909-2007); the first was reminiscent of a pastorale, the second, a "Fugue tranquillo," and the third was an arrangement of a medieval saltarello (dance). We thank Trillium for sharing their joyful music with us!



Our music director, Vicki Boeckman, started us out with a motet— "less grand than a mass, less free than a madrigal"—for Epiphany by William Byrd (c. 1540-1623). It was a somewhat slow-moving piece, very beautiful, with dramatic points marked by dotted notes and half-steps. Some of us tried out Aldo's admonition to pull out a little so that we could blow harder.

We followed it with a very different setting of the same text, "O Admirabile Commerzium," by Johann Rosenmüller (1619-1684). This one was broken into sections of four alternating with sections of three, and I heard joking about the lengths of the sections—we had eleven-measure rests and 23-measure rests, instead of sections of eight or sixteen measures.

We ended our New Year's meeting by enjoying the overture and following section of Peter Seibert's arrangement of Handel's "Music for the Royal Fireworks." Vicki promised we could play more of it later this year.

Meanwhile, the four musicians who chose to spend the evening in Sally Mitchell's Backroom Gang were treated to "Pastime With Good Company" for the New Year, as well as "Lord Willoughby's." Thanks to Sally for helping SRS to meet the needs of more recorder players!



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### **Concerts and Events Calendar**

Fri., Feb. 5 @ 7:30 pm: Seattle Recorder Society Meeting. Maple Leaf Lutheran Church, Seattle.

**Fri., Feb. 5** @ 8 pm: Byron Schenkman presents: "Chansons d'Amour." Soprano Clara Rottsolk and pianist Byron Schenkman present music of Fauré, Hahn, Mozart, Francis Poulenc, and others. Resonance at Soma Towers, 288 106th Ave NE #203, Bellevue. <a href="www.byronschenkman.com">www.byronschenkman.com</a>

<u>Sat., Feb. 6 @ 7 pm:</u> Vicki Boeckman and Silke Harper, recorders; Henry Lebedinsky, harpsichord and organ. An evening of truly delightful music by seldom-heard composers Nicola Francesco Haym, Charles Rosier, and more. Westminster Presbyterian Church, 2531 Hoyt Avenue, Everett, WA.

<u>Tues., Feb. 9 @ 7 pm:</u> Early Music Underground presents: "Baroque–N-Hearts." Countertenor Joshua Haberman and the Early Music Underground players. Naked City Brewery & Taphouse, 8564 Greenwood Ave N, Seattle. <u>www.emuseattle.com</u>

<u>Sat., Feb. 13 @ 2 pm:</u> Moss Bay Recorder Society Meeting. Bellevue Library, 1111 110th Ave NE, Bellevue. www.mossbayrecorders.org

<u>Sat., Feb. 13 @ 7:30 pm:</u> Medieval Women's Choir presents: "Courtly Love." Bethany Lutheran Church, 7400 Woodlawn Ave NE, Seattle. <u>www.medievalwomenschoir.org</u>

**Sat., Feb. 13 @ 7:30 pm:** Salmon Run Concerts presents: "Ombre de mon amant: Stories of love and death." Sound/Counterpoint (Miyo Aoki, recorder; Curtis Foster, Baroque oboe; Linda Melsted, Baroque violin; Jonathan Oddie, harpsichord) with guests Linda Tsatsanis, soprano, and Nathan Whittaker, cello. Queen Anne Christian Church, 1316 3rd Ave W, Seattle. <a href="www.soundcounterpoint.org">www.soundcounterpoint.org</a>

<u>Sun., Feb. 14 @ 2:30 pm:</u> "Recorders in Recital." Join Vicki Boeckman's students as they entertain you with a vast array of styles and sounds from baroque to contemporary. Yummy reception to follow. Music Center of the Northwest, 901 N 96th St., Seattle.

<u>Sun., Feb. 14 @ 3 pm:</u> Early Music Underground presents: "Baroque–N-Hearts." Countertenor Joshua Haberman and the Early Music Underground players. Northwest Cellars, 11909 124th Ave NE, Kirkland. <a href="https://www.emuseattle.com">www.emuseattle.com</a>

Sat., Feb. 20 @ 7:30 pm and Sun., Feb. 21st @ 3 pm: Gallery Concerts presents: "The Artistry of Ingrid Matthews." Ingrid plays works for solo violin by Biber and others, joins John Lenti (lute) in improvisatory-style works, and reprises her 2014 performance of Bach's A-minor Sonata for Unaccompanied Violin. Queen Anne Christian Church, 1316 3rd Ave W., Seattle. <a href="www.galleryconcerts.org">www.galleryconcerts.org</a>

**Fri., Feb. 26 @ 8 pm:** Pacific MusicWorks presents: "Vivaldi: The Four Seasons." Edmonds United Methodist Church, 828 Caspers St, Edmonds. <a href="https://www.pacificmusicworks.org">www.pacificmusicworks.org</a>

<u>Sat., Feb. 27 @ 8 pm:</u> Pacific MusicWorks presents: "Vivaldi: The Four Seasons." Emmanuel Episcopal Church, 4400 86th Ave, Mercer Island. <u>www.pacificmusicworks.org</u>

**Sat., Feb. 27 @ 8 pm**: Early Music Guild presents: "Hesperion XXI: Man and Nature." Viola da gamba virtuoso Jordi Savall collaborates with bodhran player Frank McGuire. TH. EMG

<u>Sun., Feb. 28 @ 2 pm:</u> Pacific MusicWorks presents: "The Four Seasons." Meany Hall at UW, Seattle. <u>www.pacificmusicworks.org</u>

## Concerts and Events Calendar (continued)

Fri., Mar. 4 @ 7:30 pm: Seattle Recorder Society Meeting. Maple Leaf Lutheran Church, Seattle.

Sat., Mar. 5 @ 7:30 pm: Byrd Ensemble presents: "In the Queen's Favor." Music by Tallis and Byrd. St. Mark's Cathedral, 1245 10th Avenue E, Seattle. <a href="https://www.byrdensemble.com">www.byrdensemble.com</a>

<u>Sat., Mar. 5 @ 7:30 pm:</u> Salish Sea Festival presents: "Baroque Trio Sonatas." Bernward Lohr (Germany), harpsichord; Anne Rohrig (Germany), Baroque violin; and Jeffrey Cohan, Baroque flute. Christ Episcopal Church, 4548 Brooklyn Ave NE, Seattle. <a href="www.salishseafestival.org">www.salishseafestival.org</a>

<u>Sat., Mar. 5 @ 8 pm:</u> Medieval Women's Choir presents: "The Songs of the Angels." TP. www.medievalwomenschoir.org

**Sun., Mar. 6 @ 1:30 pm:** Vicki Boeckman and Miyo Aoki, recorders, with Jonathon Oddie, harpsichord, playing music of Sweelinck, Merula, Rossi, Rosier, and others. St. Placid Priory, 500 College St. NE, Lacey.

<u>Sun., Mar. 6 @ 7:00 pm:</u> Byron Schenkman and Friends present: "Mozart Piano Quartets." Liza Zurlinden, violin; Jason Fisher, viola; Nathan Whittaker, cello; and Byron Schenkman, piano. Nordstrom Recital Hall at Benaroya Hall, Seattle. <u>www.byronschenkman.com</u>

**Sat., Mar. 12 @ 10 am:** "Play-the-Recorder Month" event. "Play-the-Recorder Month Repertoire Past and Present." Explore the new piece "Steamed Bass and Fischmaul" by Matthias Maute and look at old favorites from years past. Everyone welcome, but rsvp is needed to be sure there are copies and space! Laura Faber, 5730 NE 60th Street, Seattle. (206) 619-0671 or <a href="mailto:beginbaroque@gmail.com">beginbaroque@gmail.com</a>

<u>Sat., Mar. 12 @ 2 pm:</u> Moss Bay Recorder Society Meeting. Kingsgate Library, 12507 NE 144th Street, Kirkland. <u>www.mossbayrecorders.org</u>

**Sat., Mar. 12 @ 8 pm:** Seattle Baroque Orchestra presents: "Multiple Bach: Concertos on Caffeine." Reconstructions and arrangements of concertos from Bach's Kaffeehaus concerts. TH. EMG

<u>Sun., Mar. 13 @ 3 pm:</u> Early Music Underground presents: "Spring in the Garden of Aranjuez." Baroque violinist Ingrid Matthews and harpsichordist Henry Lebedinsky. Northwest Cellars, 11909 124th Ave NE, Kirkland. www.emuseattle.com

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**Sat., Mar. 19 @ 1 pm:** "Play-the-Recorder Month" celebration: "Music from around the World: Dances and Stories." "Play-in" and ensembles. Third Place Commons, 17171 Bothell Way NE, Lake Forest Park.

Sat., Mar. 19 @ 7:30 pm and Sun., Mar. 20 @ 3 pm: Gallery Concerts presents: "Trio Romantique: Mozart, Beethoven, and Schubert." Emma McGrath, violin; Page Smith, cello; and Tamara Friedman on her sumptuous replica of an 1815 Nannette Streicher grand piano. Queen Anne Christian Church, 1316 3rd Ave W., Seattle. <a href="https://www.galleryconcerts.org">www.galleryconcerts.org</a>

<u>Tues., Mar. 29 @ 7:30 pm:</u> Northwest Showcase presents: "Beauty of Nature." Music of the English and French Baroque. Courtney Kuroda and Christine Wilkinson Beckman, violin; Juliana Soltis, viola da gamba; and John Lenti, theorbo. TP. EMG