UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN - EAU CLAIRE

DEPARTMENT OF MUSIC

presents

The Symphony Band

DONALD S. GEORGE, CONDUCTOR

With GUEST CONDUCTOR

Frederick Fennell

CONDUCTOR IN RESIDENCE, UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 1976 4:00 PM

Gantner Concert Hall

TOCCATA AND FUGUE IN D MINOR

Johann Sebastian Bach

Some of Bach's grandest conceptions are to be found in his organ works. The Toccata and Fugue in D Minor consists of a brilliant introduction, followed by the Fugue. The breadth and magnificance of this music has brought about its transcription from the organ score for performance by both orchestras and bands. The concert band transcription is by Eric Leidzen.

WILLIAM BYRD SUITE

Gordon Jacob

1. The Earle of Oxford's Marche

2. Pavana

3. Jhon come kiss me now

- 4. The Mayden's Song
- 5. Wolsey's Wilde
- 6. The Bells

William Byrd (1542-1625) was known for his choral music and was one of the founders of the English Madrigal School. He was also one of the most active and able of the English keyboard writers. The William Byrd Suite is based on six selections from the Fitzwilliam Virginal Collection. Gordon Jacob set these excerpts in 1923, the Tercentenary of Byrd's death.

INTERMISSION

DR. FREDERICK FENNELL, GUEST CONDUCTOR

THE MUSIC FOR THE ROYAL FIREWORKS

George Frideric Handel

1. Ouverture

Bouree La Paix 3.

4. Minuet

5. La Rejouissance

The "Fireworks Music" was written to accompany the pyrotechnic display held in Green Park, London, to celebrate the Treaty of Aix la Chapelle, 1749. The king commanded that it be scored for winds alone. With this command Handel evidently complied, for "the exhibition began about nine in the evening, and was introduced by a grand concert of warlike instruments". Handel subsequently added strings making available two authentic ways of playing the work. The edition performed at this concert is by Anthony Baines and Charles Mackerras.

ELEGY

John Barnes Chance

Elegy was one of the last works composed by John Barnes Chance before his untimely death in 1974. The emotional power of the composition makes it a fitting memorial tribute.

MEDITATION

Gunther Schuller

The composer describes Meditation as a piece of "restful" music, composed in the twelve-tone technique. Much of the work is devoted to the exploration of the unique individual and mass sonorities available in the band.

FATHER OF VICTORY - French March

Louis Ganne

DANZON from "Fancy Free"

Leonard Bernstein

Leonard Bernstein's "Fancy Free" was first performed in 1944 and provided the basis for the stage and film versions of the musical "On the Town". Danzon, the Third Sailor's Dance, is intense and emotional, with a passionate Latin touch. The concert band arrangement is by John Krance.

DANZA FINAL from "Estancia"

Alberto Ginastera

The music of the Argentinian composer, Alberto Ginastera, draws from folklore, is compact in form, and is cast in an advanced harmonic idiom. His ballet, "Estancia" was written in 1941. David John has arranged the Danza Final for concert band.

FREDERICK FENNELL

Frederick Fennell has a rare musical personality that is uniquely American, reflecting in depth both the exemplary achievements of our educational process and the highest standards in American professional performance. His outstanding recordings have been the model for educators everywhere for two decades; his affectionate regard for young musicians as well as his concern for the serious business of their training is coupled to consummate technical knowledge and a vast professional and educational experience.

Dr. Fennell had a long and distinguished career as a conductor at the Eastman School of Music of the University of Rochester, where he founded the Eastman Wind Ensemble. His work with that group has been recorded in 25 albums of music by the classical division of Mercury Records (now Phonogram) which also produced a series with Mr. Fennell as conductor of the Eastman-Rochester Pops Orchestra, the London Pops Orchestra, and the Fennell Symphonic Winds.

During his association with Eastman, Mr. Fennell also conducted the School's Symphony Orchestra, Little Symphony, Symphony Band, Chamber Orchestra and Opera Theater. In 1961-1962, he was coconductor with Howard Hanson for the Eastman Philharmonia's three-month tour of western Europe, the Mid-East and Russia, sponsored by the U. S. Department of State.

Dr. Fennell served as Associate Music Director of the Minneapolis Symphony Orchestra from 1962 to 1964.

Frederick Fennell began his training as a conductor at the age of 17 at the National Music Camp, Interlochen, Michigan, where he was a scholarship student for three summers.

He also was a scholarship student at Eastman, where he received his bachelor's and master's degrees and won the International Fellowship in conducting for study at the Mozarteum in Salzburg (1938).

Mr. Fennell also holds an honorary Doctor of Music degree from Oklahoma City University, awarded in 1957.

A private pupil of Serge Koussevitzky at the Berkshire Music Center, Tanglewood, in 1942, Mr. Fennell was appointed Koussevitzky's assistant in orchestral conducting in 1948.

Guest conductor of numerous orchestras throughout America, he has been cited by the National Association for American Conductors and Composers for outstanding services on behalf of American music; Columbia University honored him in 1969 as recipient of its 25th Anniversary Ditson Conductors Award. He has been guest conductor at Music Festivals in almost every state in the Union.

He is Conductor-in-Residence at the University of Miami School of Music where he is Music Director of the University of Miami Symphony Orchestra and Symphonic Wind Ensemble.

HW-FC SYMPHONY BAND

Donald S. George, Conductor

FLUTE

Cindy Barnes
Susan Bartosh
Mary Borrell
Julie Dicke
Heidi Ellefson
Jan Ewert
Debbie Farley
Maureen Haben
Wendy Halberg
*Patricia Henningfeld
Diane Pryor
Karen Wallis

PICCOLO

Susan Hargis

OBOE & ENGLISH HORN

Jani Brakken *Glenda Gosen Blake Seitz

BASSOON

*Annette Proehl Barbara Sacher

Eb CLARINET

Kevin Genrich

Bb CLARINET

Annette Adler
Susan Allen
Carol Brown
*Sandy Couillard
Kim Day
Lynne Dosier
Cathy Ellswroth
Cindy Ford
Kay Havlik
Barbara Hovey
Donna Larson
Craig Lehmeier
Ann Sidie
Peter Taylor
Michael Vail
Vicki Van Dan

*Principal +Faculty

ALTO CLARINET

Carol Booth Terri Henschel *Janet Koss

BASS CLARINET

William Bollech Kirk Masden *Michelle Spangler Michael Victor

CONTRA BASS CLARINET *James Root

Kenneth Regez DeWayne Roberson

SAXOPHONE

Jamie Bruenig Greg Keel *Kenneth Kunz Karen Sands Joe Silko Candace Steinke Sheri Vande Riet

TRUMPET

*Gary Albrecht
R. G. Conlee
Richard Gregerson
William Henley
Randy Mueller
James Rauscher
Randy Schneeberger
Kent Smith

HORN

Kathy Anderson
Karen Baller
Michelle Berndt
*John Greer
Kurt Majkowski
Tina Sailor
Lois Sutton
Thomas Zimmerman

TROMBONE

David Arneson John Georgeson *Mark Jones Terry Krueger Bruce Markey John Metcalf

EUPHONIUM

John Foschager *Robert Ponto *James Root

TUBA

Steve Allen Robert Flottum *Jeff Roy Tim Sandsmark

PERCUSSION

Toni Durbin
James Gallagher
Michael Klingbeil
*Dennis Lester
Randy Linberg
Kathy Voss
Stephen Wells

Assisting Players for Royal Fireworks Music

OBOE

Patrice Pakiz Bonnie Steltzner Roberta Kangas Cindy Wagner Angela Vredeveld Sue Mickelson

BASSOON

Cheryl Svoboda
Cathy Palmer
Patricia Leverty
Cindy McNown
Allison Uhrig
+Leo Christy

CONTRABASSOON

+Ivar Lunde

TRUMPET

Don Parker