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The Sacred Music Concert Series continues with a wonderful program in 2012.

Join us for sacred classical music in the beautiful setting and glorious acoustic of the Church of Saint William.

UPCOMING EVENTS	DATE	TIME
Dr. Sooah Park—Soprano Recital	August 18, 2012	7:30 p.m.
Requiem Mass in D minor (K. 626) by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart	October 20, 2012	7:30 p.m.
Christmas Choral Fantasy	December 15, 2012	7:30 p.m.

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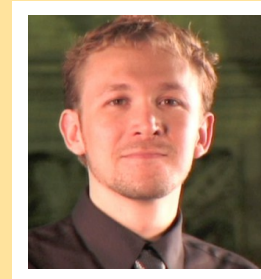
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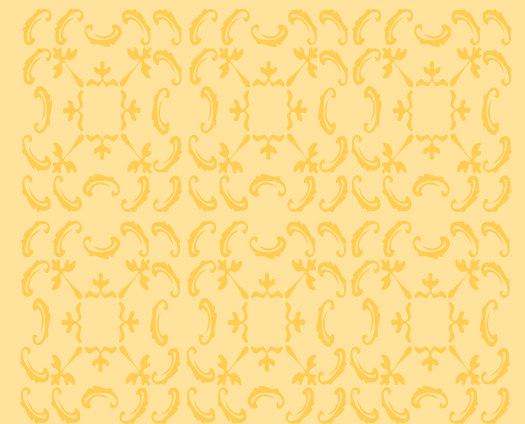
Dr. Gerardo Ramos

In Concert



JULY 14, 2012—7:30 P.M.

The Sacred Music Concert Series continues with a beautiful concert by Dr. Gerardo Ramos and friends, accompanied by piano, flute, violin, and cello. Dr. Gerardo and friends will enchant and evangelize at the same time.



Saint William
CATHOLIC CHURCH

Dr. Gerardo Ramos in Concert

JUNE 14, 2012—SAINT WILLIAM CATHOLIC CHURCH

PROGRAM

O DIVIN RÉDEMPTEUR.....	C. GOUNOD
LITANIE.....	F. SCHUBERT
AGNUS DEI.....	G. BIZET
HERE I AM, LORD.....	D. SCHUTTE
THE WORD OF THE LORD Sermon from Mass.....	BERNSTEIN
A SIMPLE SONG from Mass.....	BERNSTEIN
AVE MARIA.....	BACH/GOUNOD
THE PRAYER.....	SAGER AND FOSTER
THE BIRD'S SONG.....	R. VAUGHAN WILLIAMS
HOW BEAUTIFUL ARE THE FEET from the "Messiah".....	G.F. HÄNDEL
PLEGARIA.....	F.M. ÁLVAREZ
GOIN' HOME from "New World Symphony".....	A. DVOŘÁK
5 MYSTICAL SONGS.....	R. VAUGHAN WILLIAMS
Easter, I Got Me Flowers, Love Bade Me Welcome, The Call, Antiphon	

INSTRUMENTALISTS

Benjamin Balleza – Piano; Jennifer Hawken – Flute; Javier Chaparro – Violin;
and Jonathan Carbin – Cello

DR. GERARDO RAMOS, TENOR—Dr. Ramos established the Sacred Music Concert Series through his leadership as Director of Music Ministries at Saint William. He holds a Doctorate of Musical Arts in Voice Performance with Opera Emphasis, a Masters in Music in Opera Performance from the University of Texas at Austin, and a Bachelor in Music Education from the University of Texas at El Paso where he studied voice and conducting. In 1995, he started his professional career singing with El Paso Opera. Since then, he has performed internationally including appearances in Europe, Central, and South America. Dr. Ramos has also entered many international competitions and has received much accolade. His repertoire as a conductor includes most of the standard sacred choral works. Dr. Ramos' background as an opera singer illuminates his work with soloists in vocal, operatic, and concert performances.



SPECIAL GUESTS

NATALIE CUMMINGS, SOPRANO – Miss Cummings recently completed her Master's of Music in Opera Performance at the University of Texas in Austin Butler School of Music where she studied with Rose Taylor and William Lewis. She completed a Bachelor's of Music in Vocal Performance at Illinois Wesleyan University in Bloomington, Illinois and has performed the role of Micaëla in Carmen with Spotlight on Opera in Austin. In August, she will spend three weeks in Montréal, Quebec performing with the Canadian Vocal Arts institute under the direction of Joan Dornemann and studying voice with mezzo-soprano Mignon Dunn.



BRIAN SHIRCLIFFE, BARITONE – Mr. Shircliffe is a San Antonio native and has performed with numerous opera companies including Houston Grand Opera, Dayton Opera, Lake George Opera, Pine Mountain Music Festival, Opera Vista and Opera in the Heights. His recent roles include Zurga in Les pêcheurs de perles, DumDum Devine in Vera of Las Vegas, Don Carissimo in La Dirindina, Guglielmo in Così fan tutte, and created the role of Mark in the world's first Mariachi opera, Cruzar la Cara de la Luna, with the Houston Grand Opera. The Houston Chronicle has praised Mr. Shircliffe as having "a sure vocal presence, a natural, unblemished sound and an easy delivery." In 2007, he won both third place and the Audience Choice Award in the Dallas Opera Guild Vocal Competition. Brian holds a Master's of Music from The University of Houston's Moores School of Music and teaches voice at San Jacinto College.

