Cal Poly to Present April 23 Faculty Recital: ‘Strings, Cords and Keys’

SAN LUIS OBISPO – Cal Poly Music Department faculty members will present a recital titled “Strings, Cords and Keys” at 7:30 p.m. Friday, April 23, in the Spanos Theatre on campus.

Brynn Albanese, violin; Katherine Arthur, soprano; and Susan Azaret Davies, piano, will perform works by Johannes Brahms, Ernst Krenek and others.

Albanese and Davies will perform Brahms’ “Sonata for Violin and Piano in G Major,” Op. 78, and then Arthur and Davies will perform Brahms’ “Five Songs,” Op. 106. During the second half of the program, Arthur and Davies will perform Krenek’s “Four Songs on Poems by Gerard Hanley Hopkins.” Some violin showpieces will also be featured.

Albanese was concertmaster and soloist for the Tanglewood Festival Orchestra, Annapolis Symphony Orchestra and Boston Philharmonic. She was principal second and soloist with the Boston Pops Esplanade Orchestra. Some of the orchestras in which she has performed and toured include the Boston Symphony Orchestra, Baltimore Symphony, the Concertgebouw and the Residentie Orchestra in The Hague, Netherlands. She currently performs and records with the classical crossover ensemble Café Musique. Albanese teaches violin at Cal Poly.

Arthur, who teaches voice at Cal Poly, has appeared as a soloist with the Southwest Chamber Music Ensemble, Santa Barbara Oratorio Society and Pacific Repertory Opera. As a guest artist in Europe, she recorded works for the Austrian Radio.

Davies has performed at the Oregon Bach Festival, Cabrillo Festival, Long Beach Bach Festival and San Luis Obispo Mozart Festival. She has also performed in concerts with the Gachinger Kantorei of Stuttgart, Germany, and the New York Philharmonic. She teaches piano and accompanies at Cal Poly and for the Cuesta Master Chorale.

Tickets to the recital are $6 for students and senior citizens and $10 for the public. They are on sale at the Performing Arts Ticket Office 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturdays. To order by phone, call SLO-ARTS (805-756-2787). A 10 percent discount is given to patrons who buy season tickets to four Music Department events through the Performing Arts
Ticket office; a 15 percent discount is given on tickets to five or more events.

The concert is sponsored by Cal Poly's Music Department and College of Liberal Arts. For more information, call the Music Department at 805-756-2406.

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