

Civic Morning Musicals

Wednesday Recital Series

Spring Awakening: Songs of Grief, Love, Hope & Dreams

Wendy Neikirk, mezzo soprano

Kathleen Haddock, piano

Wednesday, May 19, 2021

12:15 pm, [CMM on YouTube](#)

Allerseelen
Cäcilie
Zueignung

Richard Strauss (1864-1949)

Urlicht
Des Antonius von Padua Fischpredigt
Es sungen drei Engel einen süßen Gesang

Gustav Mahler (1860-1911)

Il tramonto

Ottorino Respighi (1879-1936)

Otherwise
Stars
Will There Really Be a Morning

Ricky Ian Gordon (b. 1956)

When I initially planned this recital for the spring of 2020, I selected the program based on the personal journey my family and I had been on during the intense four years of my husband's medical school training. These tumultuous years were filled with love and community, but also with infertility and miscarriage, loneliness, life-altering medical diagnoses, the loss of my father-in-law, an increased awareness of political polarization and systemic racism, and the unique challenges of parenting a child with special needs. As we rounded the corner into his final year of school I was looking forward with hope, while acknowledging the grief, pain, loss, and challenges we had experienced. Revisiting this program in 2021, following a year of global pandemic and the collective losses and isolation we have all experienced was even more poignant. Preparing a recital program while remote schooling two children, working remotely, and planning for a cross-country move was certainly a challenge but it also gave me an opportunity to grieve, process, reflect, heal, and look forward with hope. I hope that this program provides you with space and opportunity for these as well.

Upcoming Events with Civic Morning Musicals

Wed., May 26 – [Decho Ensemble, saxophones](#)

Sun., May 30 – [CMM Live! Young Artists](#)

Wed., June 2 – [Alison Wahl, soprano; Vadim Serebryany, piano](#)



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