Senior Recital

Ryan Gregory, violin

Erika Tazawa, piano

Monday, May 9, 2016 at 8:00 p.m.
Music Building Recital Hall
One Hundred and Forty-fifth Concert of the 2015-16 Concert Season
JOHN HARBISON (b. 1938)
*Songs of Solitude* (1985)

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*Please hold applause until the end of the Chaconne.*

JOHANN SEBASTIAN BACH (1682-1750)
*Partita 2 in D minor, BWV 1004*

V. Chaconne

intermission

CÉSAR FRANCK (1822-1890)
*Sonata in A Major for Violin and Piano*

I. Allegretto ben moderato  
II. Allegro  
III. Ben moderato, Recitativo-fantasia  
IV. Allegretto poco mosso

This recital is presented in partial fulfillment of requirements for the degree Bachelor of Music in Performance.  
Mr. Gregory studies violin with Helen Kim.
program notes

**Songs of Solitude** | John Harbison
for Solo Violin

John Harbison composed his *Songs of Solitude* as a gift to his wife, the violinist Rose Mary Harbison. The songs are intended to evoke the solitude of both composer and performer.

“The player’s world is like that of the long distance runner…I wanted our conversation in those hours of preparation to contain subjects of equal interest to [us] both. The listeners can, if they wish, add their own inner distances.”

- John Harbison

**The Chaconne from the Partita No. 2 in D minor** | J. S. Bach
for Solo Violin

The Chaconne is perhaps the most renowned movement from Bach’s works for solo violin. It is a long theme and variations based on a dance that came to Europe from the New World via Spain. Historians have speculated that it was added to the 2nd partita after the death of Bach’s wife, Maria Barbara.

**Sonata in A Major for Piano and Violin** | César Franck

One of Franck’s most successful pieces in his lifetime, the Sonata for Piano and Violin remains one his most popular pieces. The form of the work is cyclic with themes recurring in different contexts and in multiple movements. The Sonata was presented and dedicated to the great Belgian violinist, Eugène Ysaÿe, as a wedding gift, on the day of his marriage to Louise Bourdeau de Coutrai.
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