

Alf Hurum Centennial in the conservatory

Sunday, April 28 at 4:00 pm W. W. Seymour Conservatory Tacoma

Sunday, May 5 at 5:00 pm Volunteer Park Botanical Conservatory Seattle

Featuring:

Nexus Quartet
Christopher Lin, violin
Liling Liao, violin
Hung-Wen Chen, viola
Janice Lee, cello

NW Grieg Mannskor Scott Fikse, chorusmaster Joel Bevington, Matthew Bosely, Brennan Brichoux, Andrew Jones, Neil Jordan, Cary Lee, Carson Truett Lott, & Ken Potter

Performing:

Alf Hurum



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PROGRAM

String Quartet, Op. 6

Alf Hurum (1882-1972)

- 1. Allegro non troppo e maestoso
- 2. Scherzo
- 3. Canzonetta
- 4. Allegro energico

Nexus String Quartet Christohper Lin & Liling Liao, violins Hung-Wen Chen, viola, & Janice Lee, cello

Emigrantvisa Nathan Molvik

Nexus String Quartet & Laura Loge, soprano

INTERMISSION

Lilja, Op. 15

Inledningsbøn. (Opening prayer)

Skabelsen. (Creation)

Bebudelsen. Kristi fødsel. (The annunciation. Christ's birth)

Ave Maria.

Kristi lidelse og død. (Christ's suffering and death)

Ave Maria.

Opstandelsen. (The resurrection)

NW Grieg Mannskor, Scott Fikse, conductor & Laura Loge, soprano Joel Bevington, Matthew Bosely, Brennan Brichoux, Andrew Jones, Neil Jordan, Cary Lee, Carson Truett Lott, & Ken Potter

ARTIST BIOS



The **Nexus Quartet** is a nascent professional string quartet serving the Greater Puget Sound. Since forming in early 2024, the quartet has already recorded an album of three string quartets by local composer Charles Roland Berry, to be distributed on Naxos, and is excited to be performing for the Alf Hurum Centennial as well as on KING FM on Northwest Focus Live, sponsored by the Northwest Edvard Grieg Society. Despite working and studying all around the globe, every member of the quartet can trace their journey to Seattle from Taiwan, a nexus from which the quartet takes its name.

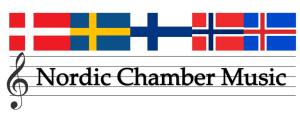


Scott Fikse is a second-year Masters in Choral Conducting student at the University of Washington, as well as a vocal coach and adjudicator, conductor, and choral scholar with various organizations in the greater Seattle area. Scott moved to Seattle from Honolulu in 2022, where he directed the music program at the Lutheran Church of Honolulu and created the church's popular "First Mondays" and "Jazz Journey" concert series. Under his direction the LCH choirs prepared over 200 works each year, ranging from chant, Renaissance polyphony, and Baroque works to modern masters. He also served as director of the Honolulu Chorale and artistic director of Early Music Hawai'i. Scott has a degree in musical arts from Pacific Lutheran University, where he was a founding member of the university's student-run ensemble PLUtonic. After studies at PLU, Scott worked as a judge with Varsity Vocals and as a quartet vocalist and arranger with Celebrity Cruises. He still performs with his cruise ship quartet when the group's schedule allows, recently celebrating their 11th anniversary this past summer. In his free time Scott enjoys travel, hiking, fishing, and practicing yoga and meditation.



Soprano Laura Loge has been hailed for her "luminous stage presence" and "characterful and versatile voice." In addition to appearing as a soprano soloists with orchestras, on chamber music stages and in numerous opera roles, Laura specializes in Nordic art song and chamber music, having performed across the United States and in Norway, including in Edvard Grieg's villa. She has produced two albums of Nordic song, including *Breaking the Language Barrier: Songs in Norwegian and Danish, Composed by Foreigners* and *Songs and Piano Music of Edvard Grieg, Op. 33 & 66.* Her next album, *Der Skreg en Fugl*, featuring previously unrecorded songs by Norwegian women with pianist Angela Draghicescu will be released in 2025 on the Chandos lable. Laura is Artistic Director of Nordic Chamber Music, Founder and President of the Northwest Edvard Grieg Society, and Concert Series Coordinator at Saint Mark's Episcopal Cathedral in Seattle. She received her Bachelor of Music from Saint Olaf College, her Master of Music from the New England Conservatory, and studied Nordic Art Song and chamber music at the University of Stavanger Conservatory of Music.

Join us for our upcoming concerts!



Iceland

May 19 @ 2 pm Ballard First Lutheran Church Bells & Pipes, Fire & Ice Brian Chin, trumpet Douglas Cleveland, organ

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Norwegian Reinvention

June 8 Kenworthy Theater, Moscow

June 9 The Seasons, Yakima

June 10 First Free Methodist Church, Seattle

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