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Cornish Music Series and the Seattle Chamber Players present *A Global Sampler*

SEATTLE, WA – Cornish College of the Arts Music Series and the Seattle Chamber Players present *A Global Sampler*; a concert that features compositions from Seattle Chamber Player's repertoire from three continents. Special guest performers include Oksana Ezhokina, piano and Michael Partington, guitar. Both performers are frequent collaborators with the Seattle Chamber Players.

Sunday, April 22, 7 pm

A Global Sampler

Featuring the Seattle Chamber Players with special guests Oksana Ezhokina, piano and Michael Partington, guitar

PONCHO Concert Hall at Kerry Hall, 710 East Roy Street, Seattle

Tickets: \$20 general, \$18 seniors, free admittance to students with ID

For tickets contact Ticket Window at (206) 325.6500, www.ticketwindowonline.com or at Ticket Window box offices located at Pacific Place, Broadway Market, Pike Place Market, Bellevue's Meydenbauer Center

The Program

Anna Clyne (USA) - *Rapture* for clarinet and tape

Artur Avanesov (Armenia) - *Liese* for clarinet and piano

Antanas Kucinskis (Lithuania) - *Magic Flute* for flute and tape

Michel Van der Aa (The Netherlands) - *Memo* for violin and portable cassette recorder

Zhou Long (China) - *Taiping Drum* for violin and piano

Toru Takemitsu (Japan) - *Towards the Sea* for alto flute and guitar

About the Seattle Chamber Players

The Seattle Chamber Player's core members include Laura DeLuca, clarinet, David Sabee, cello, Mikhail Shmidt, violin, and Paul Taub, flute. For over 17 years, the Seattle Chamber Players have been dedicated to introducing rarely performed and previously unheard contemporary chamber music to the Pacific Northwest and to audiences worldwide. From its commissioning of works by leading world composers to collaborations with the most prominent American and international creative artists, the ensemble has established itself in the vanguard of the contemporary music world. The ensemble's work has been recognized with the ASCAP/Chamber Music America Award for Adventurous Programming. DeLuca, Sabee and Shmidt are key members of the Seattle Symphony and Taub is Professor of Music at Cornish College of the Arts.

About Oksana Ezhokina

Oksana Ezhokina is a native of Ryazan, Russia. The winner of piano competitions in Russia and the United States, Ms. Ezhokina has given numerous solo and chamber performances in both countries. Her collaborations have included concerts with such ensembles as the Seattle Chamber Players, Klimt Piano Trio and the Contemporary Chamber Players. She is the associate director of the Icicle Creek Music Center and on the faculty of Cornish College of the Arts.

About Michael Partington

British-born guitarist Michael Partington is one of the most engaging of the new generation of concert players. He has appeared throughout the USA, UK and Scandinavia in solo recital, with orchestra and in chamber ensembles. He has performed along the West Coast from Los Angeles

to Vancouver, and in Idaho, Arizona, Texas and Virginia, including the first solo guitar recital in Seattle's Benaroya Hall.

About Cornish College of the Arts

Cornish College of the Arts provides aspiring artists with the educational opportunities to become professionals in their fields. The College offers Bachelor of Fine Arts degrees in Art, Dance, Design, Performance Production and Theater, and a Bachelor of Music degree. It is one of three private colleges in the United States focusing on both the performing and visual arts, and the only college of its kind in the Northwest. The College is accredited by the Northwest Association of Schools and Colleges, and the National Association of Schools of Art and Design and has a national reputation for its faculty, curriculum, and student performance and exhibition opportunities.

Since its founding by Nellie Cornish in 1914, Cornish College of the Arts has contributed to the nation's cultural and intellectual heritage through its alumni and faculty. Historically, these figures include choreographers and dancers Merce Cunningham, Martha Graham, Syvilla Fort and Bonnie Bird; composer John Cage; painters Mark Tobey, William Cumming, and William Ivey; photographer Imogen Cunningham; educator Calvin B. Cady and broadcaster Chet Huntley, to name just a few. More recently these figures are joined by Brendan Fraser (film actor), Patrick Haskett (painter), Steve Jenson (sculptor), Paul Owen Lewis (illustrator), Lois Rathvon McCarter (dancer/choreographer), Evyind Kang (violinist/composer), Jarrad Powell and Joshua Kohl (composers). And, the College continues to represent the Northwest's largest concentration of professional artists dedicated to instruction.

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