



## EMMANUEL MUSIC

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## EMMANUEL MUSIC FALL CHAMBER SERIES BEGINS

### Haydn/Schoenberg *SERENADES*

On October 25, 2009, Emmanuel Music, led by Acting Artistic John Harbison and Associate Conductor Michael Beattie, presents its first chamber concert in a season featuring the music of Franz Joseph Haydn and Arnold Schoenberg. This concert, titled *Serenades*, presents both composers in informal dress.

The first half of the program explores both solo and multi-part songs of Haydn. The solo songs (mostly on texts of Anne Hunter, a successful songwriter in her own right) are well crafted, charming, and enormously entertaining. The multi-part songs show Haydn well on his way to the sophisticated vocal writing we find in *The Creation* and *The Seasons*.

Schoenberg's *Serenade*, one of his most comprehensive, characteristic, and attractive pieces, completes the program. Its scale and form follow the lines of the big Mozart Serenades, some forty minutes of music – march, menuet, variations, dance-scene, song, and a synoptic finale. Most curious and personal is the insertion midway through of a thorny and incongruously anguished setting of a Petrarch sonnet (in a German version much more bitter and accusatory than the original). This jars and unsettles the piece for a while. Are we misunderstanding the rest? Are they less lighthearted than they seem?

**Program:** Haydn: Vocal solos, ensembles with piano  
Schoenberg: *Serenade* Op. 24

<b>Performers:</b>	Michael Beattie, piano	Frank Kelley, tenor
	Heidi Braun-Hill, violin	Rane Moore, bass clarinet
	William Buonocore, mandolin	John Muratore, guitar
	Michael Curry, cello	Mary Ruth Ray, viola
	Pamela Dellal, mezzo-soprano	Jayne West, soprano
	Eran Egozy, clarinet	Robert Levin, piano
	Aaron Engebret, baritone	

**Date & Time:** Sunday, October 25, 2009, 4:00 PM  
**Place:** Emmanuel Church, 15 Newbury Street, Boston

For more information, call (617) 536-3356 or visit our website at [www.emmanuelmusic.org](http://www.emmanuelmusic.org).

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