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- Jon Robertson, dean

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Master of Music Recital
Michael Pittman, bassoon
Sheng-Yuan Kuan, piano
Friday, December 2, 2016 at 2:00 p.m.
Amarnick-Goldstein Concert Hall
Boca Raton, Fla.

Tango

John Steinmetz
(b. 1951)

Sonata

I. Moderately slow
II. Fast
III. Slow
IV. Fast

Alvin Etler
(1913-1973)

Sheng-Yuan Kuan, piano

Concert Piece

I. Strong, Deliberate
II. Ebb and Flow Throughout
III. Flat Out

Libby Larsen
(b. 1950)

Sheng-Yuan Kuan, piano

INTERMISSION

Frozen Landscape

Jamie Leigh Sampson
(b. 1984)

Concerto da Camera

I. Freely
II. Scherzo
III. Calmo

Dan Welcher
(b. 1948)

Sheng-Yuan Kuan, piano

BIOGRAPHY

Originally from Silverdale, WA, [Michael Pittman](#) is currently pursuing graduate coursework at the Lynn University Conservatory of Music. He holds a B.M. in Bassoon Performance from Central Washington University. As a bassoonist and contrabassoonist, he has held positions with the Bainbridge Island Symphony and the Palm Beach Atlantic Symphony and has freelanced throughout the Pacific Northwest and South Florida areas. Pittman is a current member of the International Double Reed Society (IDRS) and has performed in masterclasses at annual conferences for Barrick Stees, Frank Morelli, and Kristin Wolfe Jensen. He has also been involved with the Washington Ambassadors of Music, Western International Band Clinic, a recording with the Central Washington University Wind Ensemble under the Naxos record label, and the United States Air Force Band Collegiate Symposium. As an educator, he has had private studios in Washington and Florida and worked as a woodwind consultant in the Palm Beach County School District. Pittman has also led clinics at the Whistler Band Festival in Canada. He has spent summers at the Evergreen Music Festival, Marrowstone Summer Music Festival, and as an apprentice at the Hot Springs Summer Music Festival. His principal teachers include Judith Lawrence, Daniel Lipori, and Eric Varner.

Pianist [Sheng-Yuan Kuan](#) has performed at the Kennedy Center, Weill Recital Hall, Taiwan National Concert Hall, and Musikverein in Vienna. She is a featured artist at the Heifetz International Music Institute, KUAF/Fulbright Summer Chamber Music Festival, Baltimore Symphony Orchestra's Chamber Music by Candlelight series, and the Sylvia Adalman Chamber Concert Series at Peabody Conservatory. Tim Smith of the Baltimore Sun praised Ms. Kuan as "(having) admirable technical finesse and expressive flair at the piano." Ms. Kuan has collaborated with famed musicians such as Nobuko Imai, Stefan Jackiw, Espen Lilleslatten, Richard Stolzman, KengYuen Tseng, Time for Three, and members of the Borromeo and Parker Quartets and Apollo Trio. She also made appearances at music festivals such as Bowdoin, Aria, Sarasota, Yellow Barn, Gijon Piano Festival and Norfolk Summer Music Festival. Ms. Kuan has received accolades from many competitions, including the 13th Beethoven Piano Competition in Vienna (Best Female Pianist Award, 2009), the 12th Taipei Chopin International Piano Competition (3rd Prize, 2008), Corpus Christi International Competition in Texas (2nd Prize, 2008), and New York Kosciuszko Chopin Piano Competition (3rd Prize, 2003). She was also the recipient of Honolulu Morning Music Club Scholarship, Peabody Conservatory's Career Development Grant, Chamber Music Awards and Accompanying Assistantship. Currently serving as the collaborative pianist at Lynn University, Ms. Kuan holds degrees from the Yale School of Music and the Manhattan School of Music. She is a candidate of the Doctor of Musical Arts degree at the Peabody Conservatory under the guidance of Professor Boris Slutsky. Her teachers have included Peter Frankl, Scott McCarrey and the late Constance Keene.