NET Radio’s ‘Nebraska Concerts’ Series Features Symphonies, Chamber Music and a Thanksgiving Tribute in November

NET Radio’s “Nebraska Concerts” features performances by the Omaha Symphony, the Nordic Choir, Lincoln’s Symphony Orchestra, Cuarteto Latinoamericano, the Romm Trio, and some “Music of Praise and Thanksgiving” from the Arts For The Soul series. The series airs each Sunday at 1 p.m. CT on NET Radio. The series showcases the best of recent musical events performed in Nebraska.

Sunday, Nov. 4: The Omaha Symphony, under guest conductor JoAnn Falletta, presents a program called “Spring Enchantment.” This program features Serge Prokofiev’s “Suite, from ‘Cinderella,’” Camille Saint-Saens’ “Concerto #1 in A Minor for Violoncello and Orchestra, Op. 33” with guest cellist Julian Schwarz; Felix Mendelssohn’s “Calm Sea and Prosperous Voyage, Op. 27 (1834 version);” and, Edward Elgar’s “Enigma Variations, Op. 36.” Also on this program is choral music by Iowa’s Luther College Nordic Choir performed as part of an Abendmusik: Lincoln (now Abendmusik at First-Plymouth) concert.

Sunday, Nov. 11: Benjamin Britten’s “War Requiem” is performed by the combined musicians from Lincoln’s Symphony Orchestra; the American Boychoir; choirs from Abendmusik: Lincoln, Abendchor, Doane College and the University of Nebraska-Lincoln; and guest soloists Janice Chandler-Etme (soprano), Ross Hauck (tenor) and Paul Tipton (baritone). Also on this program are two tracks off the new recording “Wish Upon A Star” from Lincoln’s Symphony Orchestra and jazz vibraphonist Joe Locke. This CD was recorded live in Lincoln in April 2011.

Sunday, Nov. 18: Recorded at a Sheldon Friends of Chamber Music concert, Cuarteto Latinoamericano perform Heitor Villa-Lobos’s “String Quartet #5;” Astor Piazzolla’s “Four, for Tango;” Silvestre Revueltas’s “Musica de Feria;” Manuel M. Ponce’s “Estrellita y Gavota;” and Alberto Ginastera’s “String Quartet #2 (Op. 26; 1957).” Also on this program are four additional tracks from the “Wish Upon A Star” CD.

Sunday, Nov. 25: From an Arts For The Soul concert in Lincoln, is a program called “Music of Praise and Thanksgiving.” The First Presbyterian Choir and Friends, under conductor Brian Pfoltner, and accompanied by organist Charles Ore, perform hymns and music appropriate for the season. Also on this program is another concert from the same series featuring the Romm Trio. Trumpeters Ronald and Aaron Romm are joined by pianist Avis Romm for music written by the Romms, Rachmaninoff, Bach, Humperdinck, Bizet, Korsakov, Ravel, Chopin, Gershwin, Arlen, Piazzolla and Anderson.

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