

Music

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FACULTY AND GUEST ARTIST CONCERT "Composers in America"

Julia Salerno, violin
Aneta Panusz, piano
Jody Graves, piano

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2016
7:00pm - MUSIC RECITAL HALL

Program

Summertime/A Woman is a Sometime Thing
It Ain't Necessarily So

G. Gershwin (1898-1937)

'Amerigo'

Stephanie Ann Boyd (b. 1990)

Washington State Premiere Performance.*

- 1) Prologue/Kalaheo 2) Fantasia/Tiburón 3) Soliloquy/Ronan
- 4) Lullaby/Monona 5) Dance/Derry 6) Epilogue/Nightmute

Suite for Violin and Piano

William Grant Still (1895-1978)

- I. "African Dancer"
- II. "Mother and Child"
- III. "Gamin"

**Part of the 50-State Sonata Project: The 50 State Sonata Project is a large scale co-commission that is bringing new music to every corner of the US in 2016, with one violinist in each state premiering Amerigo, a new sonata for violin and piano by Stephanie Ann Boyd. This is Part I of a two year project dedicated to the life and work of John Kendall, the man who brought the Suzuki method to the US in the 1960s and was (long, long ago) Stephanie's violin teacher. The second year of this project will see a second sonata co-commissioned by 50 violinists from around the world.*

<http://www.stephanieannboyd.com/50-state-sonata-project>

About the Artists

Stephanie Ann Boyd (b. 1990), (composer) endeavors to write music that brings whimsical worlds to life, that is meaningful to audience and performer alike, and that refreshes and strengthens the creative spirit. Stephanie's 2015/2016 season included commissions for a cello concerto for Alan Toda-Ambaras and the Eureka Orchestra, new works for Washington Square Winds in New York City and Cincinnati Soundbox in Ohio, and a co-commission involving 50 violinists across America. Other recent highlights involved co-directing the Tuesday Night New Music concert series, winning New England Conservatory's Donald Martino Prize for Excellence in Composition, being chosen as the NEC/Boston Modern Orchestra Project Competition winner, and having her violin concerto premiered in Jordan Hall by recent Michael Hill International Competition prize-winner Eunae Koh under the baton of Australian conductor Nathan Aspinall. For more information visit: <http://www.stephanieannboyd.com/about>

Dr. Julia Salerno serves as professor of Violin and Viola at Eastern Washington University. Ms. Salerno has been a featured soloist with many orchestras, including the Northwest Philharmonia, Spokane Symphony, Ann Arbor Symphony, and the Walla Walla Symphony. Julia also appeared with the Czech Philharmonic Chamber Orchestra in Prague and presented a recital for their International Diplomat Series. For more information visit: <https://www.ewu.edu/cale/programs/music/music-faculty/julia-salerno-violinviola-studies>

Aneta Panusz maintains an active piano studio in Missoula, MT and has recently taught piano and music theory at the University of Montana's School of Music. Aneta performs regularly as an accompanist for UM faculty and students, and especially enjoys performing Eastern European and early music. She has also performed on harpsichord with the String Orchestra of the Rockies since 2008. Aneta's graduate studies include Music Theory at the Kraków Music Academy in Poland and Piano Performance at the University of Montana. She is also a doting mother to her four year-old daughter Lucy.

Dr. Jody Graves maintains an exciting, diverse and active performing career, and is recognized nationally and internationally as a distinguished concert artist, public speaker, and master teacher of piano. Recital engagements as a soloist and collaborative artist take her across the U. S. and in dozens of countries abroad. She has served as a Cultural Ambassador in the Middle East for the U.S. State Dept. and is in demand as a competition adjudicator. Dr. Graves is also the pianist with the acclaimed chamber group *The Sapphire Trio* (est. 1998) and their concert tours take them all around the world. Her 4th solo CD recording 'ANANDA' was released in 2015. She is Professor of Piano at EWU. For more information visit: drjodygraves.com