



Next Month

September 2013

On October 2, our Wednesday morning concert features soprano **Amber Sudduth Bone** and pianist **Jay Rozendaal** in the program "Fairies and Fantastic Creatures." Prepare to be scared!

Come early! Barbara DeFreitas will have coffee and nibbles ready at 9:30. Mingle and get your handbook!

Night Beat at the Firehouse on Thursday October 3 at 7:30 pm welcomes WWU favorites Matt Birmingham, saxophone, Madeline Slettedahl, piano, Coltan Foster, bassoon, and more!

From the President

No sooner is something out to the printer than you get a better idea, or you realize you missed something important. Well, I'm lucky enough to have a guardian angel who looks over my shoulder! May I quote him?

"When the benefits of membership in the Club are listed, the most satisfying one of all is somehow overlooked; membership makes us eligible to serve on the board, even to become officers, and take part in the vital work of our venerable organization."

At the onset of this last year of my term, I realize that I've made great friends, met unbelievably interesting people, and enjoyed being an active player in an endeavor that unites my two passions: music and education.

But really, I am most grateful for years of fun and camaraderie! Look at the volunteers in the lobby today; can you imagine a more fun bunch? Whatever your background or experience, consider sharing it with the BMC. You will have a blast!

President Isabelle

Board Notes

You will notice that today, **only Board members are wearing nametags**. Seeing new faces? Be friendly and make them feel welcome!

Thank you to Jane, Joan, Kristin, Charlie and Will who put the August mailing together; you're the best!

Dues are due! Please see Will Ellender in the lobby to join the BMC or renew your membership (\$25 per year). Those who are paid up by September 15 will be listed in the handbook.

We extend a warm welcome to new members Anita Aparicio, Joe and Judy Coons, Robert and Judith Eagan, Becky Elmendorf, Harriet Fine, Richard Howland, Louis Lippman, Dale and Sarah McKechnie, Garland and Cynthia Richmond, Catherine Sheldon, Celie Thomas, Eric Sun, and Mary Vennos.

Welcome and thank you to our newest volunteers: Marcia Averre and John Harriman (Telephone), Earl Cilley (Centennial), Celie Thomas (Program) and Margaret Woll (Social Committee). Many hands make light work!

Still looking for Program Committee members who would come together on February 26, 2014, to plan the 2014-2015 season. Have performers in mind? Be sure to tell us!

People who tickle the ivories are often computer savvy! Come and help us revamp our website, send emails out, maintain the database or update our ads and brochures. Let us know of your talents!

Thank you for your kind donations: Karen Berry, Joan Biasini, Nancy Bussard, Ann & Arvin Chaikin, Jim & Addis Chapman, Jack & Ginny Frymire, Vernon & Shirley Greenstreet, Susan Johnson, Bill & Thea Mancha, Robert & Margaret Palmieri, Joan Rae, John Reay, Iris Reynolds, Garland & Cynthia Richmond, Randy Sasnett, Patricia VanZandt, and John & Margaret Woll. **Your generosity gives us wings!**



Honoring an exceptional BMC supporter



Hélène Denhez Minari was born in Montreal and was raised speaking French. After graduating from nursing school and working for a few years, she married and moved to New York City. Hélène and Bruno raised their two children as well as Bruno's two other children in Florida, traveling frequently to Europe, especially Italy. Upon their move to Bellingham in 1986, Hélène immediately became active in the Bellingham Music Club, serving in many capacities, including Chairperson of the Social Committee, President from 1993 until 1998, and member of the Board until 2012. As an enthusiast of everything cultural, Hélène also volunteers with the Whatcom Museum Guild since coming to the Northwest. She has four grandchildren, five step grandchildren and two step great-grandchildren.

Upcoming Events

The Jazz Project and the Port of Bellingham present the third annual **Bellwether Jazz Festival** at Tom Glenn Common at Bellwether on the Bay on **Saturday, September 7, 1 to 7 pm**. Blues Union, Gail Pettis Quartet, Christopher Weitach Quartet, and Jovino Santos Neto will perform outdoors beginning at 1:00 pm at the park. The Festival is free and open to all ages. Beer and Wine Garden \$5 fee includes your first beverage.

Miniatures and Masterpieces - Take Two. Pianist **Kay Zavislak** with special guest, composer/pianist **Victoria Ebel-Sabo**, perform music by Bach, Schumann, Ebel-Sabo, Schubert, and Kabalevsky on Sunday, September 15, 3:00 pm - Firehouse Performing Arts Center, 1314 Harris Ave. \$5-15. Call 360-671-6104 or visit bellinghamhouseconcerts.com for more information and tickets.

The Skagit Opera is proud to open its 10th Anniversary Season and celebrate Verdi's 100th birthday with his masterpiece, **Rigoletto** on **October 11, 13, 18 and 20**. Shows are at 7:30 pm on Fridays, and at 2:00 pm on Sundays. Visit skagitopera.org for more information; tickets are on sale now at www.mcintyrehall.org or (360) 416-7727. Following Rigoletto is Johann Strauss' comedy, Die Fledermaus in February and March 2014.



Complimentary Tickets - Did you fill out your entry stub?



Sydney Harbor is ablaze with a new kind of spectacle featuring one of the most popular operas of all time, Carmen. This glittering new production brings all the drama and passion of Bizet's opera to a magical stage under the stars, with the Sydney skyline as its back drop. **Carmen** tells the story of the naive soldier Don José who falls under the spell of Carmen, an alluring gypsy. Bizet's rousing overture, soaring arias and heart-stirring choruses conjure a world of desire, defiance and, ultimately, doom. Sydney Morning Herald raves: Dmytro Popov is a "superb" Don José and the "scintillating" Rinat Shaham stars as the glamorous gypsy (The Australian). At the **Pickford Film Center, Sunday, September 22, at 11 am**. Again, the BMC extends heartfelt thanks to **PFC Program Director, Michael Falter**.

Bits and Pieces

Call it shameless commerce! Louis Lippman (who will play for us with Millie and the Mentshn in June) recently retired after teaching experimental psychology at WWU for 42 years... just enough time to write 175 original stories, each ending with a pun (or spoonerism!). A good read aimed at the sophisticated lover of language who is acquainted with familiar phrases, clichés, and aphorisms. Go to amazon.com or CreateSpace.com to get your copy of "Wince A Pun on Thyme - Scientifically Crafted Tales".

Nancy Bussard presents

Pianist

Cole Anderson

PROGRAM

Sonata in B-flat Minor, Op. 35

Frédéric Chopin

I. Grave – Doppio movimento

(1810-1849)

II. Scherzo

III. Marche funèbre: Lento

IV. Finale: Presto

Barcarolle in F-sharp Major, Op. 60

Frédéric Chopin

Nocturne in E Major, Op. 62 No. 2

Frédéric Chopin

Waltz from Faust

Charles Gounod / Franz Liszt

(1818-1893) (1811-1886)



Bellingham Music Club

Wednesday, September 4, 2013, 10:30 a.m.



BIOGRAPHY



Photo courtesy of Ann Chaikin

Cole Anderson performs as a soloist and in chamber ensembles throughout the United States as well as in Asia and Europe, including a tour of China with the Oberlin Conservatory Orchestra, playing concerts in Beijing, Shanghai, Chongqing, Wuhan, Hangzhou and Singapore for enthusiastic audiences and sold-out crowds.

He graduated with honors from Oberlin Conservatory, Ohio, and has just completed a double MM Degree in Solo Piano Performance and Ensemble Performance at the University of Michigan, receiving the prestigious Pi Kappa Lambda Award.

After teaching and playing at the Anchorage Summer Music Festival, Cole will return to the University of Michigan this fall to start his doctoral studies under the guidance of Professor Arthur Greene. A native of Bellingham, he studied with Nancy Bussard and Mark Salman.

Cole inaugurates the Bellingham Music Club's new series Night Beat with a recital at the Firehouse Performing Art Center, on Thursday, September 5, at 7:30. He will play an expanded and challenging program featuring music by Chopin, Schubert and Gounod-Liszt. The Firehouse is at 1314 Harris, at the corner of 14th St. in Fairhaven. Suggested donation \$10.

We are particularly grateful to Margaret Bikman (Bellingham Herald), Kevin Murphy (Food Co-op), Maggie Stapleton (King-FM 98.1) and Robin Rilette (NWPR) for helping us launch our 2013-2014 season.
