

Acknowledgements

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Kennedy Kappenman

Senior Recital

Alto Saxophone & Composition

Roxanne Gessler
Piano



4:00 pm
Saturday, April 30, 2022
Josephine Campbell
Recital Hall

Program

Tachycardia Marc Mellits
(b. 1966)

Kennedy Kappenman & Isaiah Goodhouse

Planet 9 Satoshi Iwata
(1959-2015)

Isaiah Goodhouse, soprano saxophone
Kennedy Kappenman, alto saxophone
Mary Morales, tenor saxophone
Bria Smithberg, baritone saxophone

Fantasia Eric Ewazen
(b. 1954)

Hygge Kennedy Kappenman
(b. 2001)

Fixed Audio & Video Media

Program Notes

Tachycardia **M. Mellits**

Marc Mellits is a graduate of Eastman School of Music, Yale School of Music, and Cornell University. His music is said to be a minimalist in nature as it is comprised of short rhythmic sections that maintain a forward motion. Tachycardia is a dynamic piece that displays these progressive motives.

Planet 9 **S. Iwata**

From the program notes:

"A new planet has been discovered in our solar system! Its mass is ten times larger than the Earth's. Its diameter is two to four times larger. Astronomers call it "Planet 9". As its discovery still has some mystery and no visual data, imaginations grow about this puzzling matter. While there is no visual shape in the sound, the performers offer many stories and scenes in the music. My intention is for you to create your own Planet 9."

-Satoshi Iwata

Fantasia **E. Ewazen**

Fantasia was composed in 2006 and dedicated to Randy Smith and the Truman State University Wind Ensemble. This is the only piece Ewazen has composed for alto saxophone, despite his fondness of the saxophone family. *Fantasia* exercises the technical abilities as well as the lyrical capabilities of the saxophone.

Hygge **K. Kappenman**

Hygge is a Danish word that means finding happiness in the little things in life. This project incorporates videos my friends and I have taken the past year. It is in these moments that I have found great joy, despite how insignificant they may seem. I truly believe that each day is comprised of endless beautiful moments, and we just have to be aware enough to notice them.