

LYRIC FEST

presents

# *L'Invitation au Voyage*

Songs of the sea



With:

Richard Clement

Suzanne DuPlantis

Philip Horst

Leslie Johnson

Randi Marrazzo

Randall Scarlata

and

Laura Ward at the piano

Sunday, April 4, 3pm

First Presbyterian Church of Philadelphia

*"The vast majority of us are landsmen, and we die landsmen.  
A vast majority of us will never gaze upon the long horizon of the open sea,  
nor feast our eyes upon the brilliant and dazzling spectacle of green crystal water  
bursting its mountains of force against a granite headlong. The magic of stilled ocean waters lying in the sun  
like a wide flung plaque of burnished steel, reflecting in strange patterns the towering clouds of a noonday  
sky can be but a fanciful dream. The endless and variable pageant of the sea's moods can live only in our  
imaginations. Its myriad of voices, from the languid night whisperings of an incoming tide  
suckling the endless fringes of weed-hung crannies of the shore line, to the earth shaking thunder  
and crash of raging seas, the piercing obligato of its swift gale whistling and screaming in high minor cadences  
– eerily seductive, frightening, portentous, cataclysmic!*

*To all this we must listen through the silences and dream its music.*

*And yet the appearance and voice of the sea is a tangible heritage to all who inhabit the earth.*

*The sea is universally ancestral..."*

N.C. Wyeth from Great Stories of the Sea & Ships

## PROGRAM

### The Voice of the Sea

Sea fever - John Ireland  
Philip Horst

Where corals lie - Edward Elgar  
Suzanne DuPlantis

Où voulez-vous allez - Hector Berlioz  
Leslie Johnson

My ship - Kurt Weill  
Randi Marrazzo

I'll sail upon the Dog Star - Henry Purcell  
Richard Clement

Am Strande - Johannes Brahms  
Randi Marrazzo and Suzanne DuPlantis

### L'Horizon chimérique - Gabriel Fauré

La mer est infinie...  
Je me suis embarqué...  
Diane, Séléné...  
Vaisseaux, nous vous aurons aimés...  
Randall Scarlata

### Creatures of the Deep

Mermaid's Song - Franz Joseph Haydn  
Leslie Johnson

Des Antonius von Padua Fischpredigt - Gustav Mahler  
Suzanne DuPlantis

The Mermaid - arr. Roger Vignoles  
Leslie Johnson and Philip Horst

Nixe binsefuss - Hugo Wolf  
Suzanne DuPlantis

The Oyster - Cole Porter  
Leslie Johnson

## Intermission



### Songs of Invitation, Invocation and Farewell

L'Invitation au voyage - Henri Duparc  
Randi Marrazzo

Lied eines Schiffersan die Dioskuren - Franz Schubert  
Richard Clement

Già la notte s'avvicina - Isabella Colbran  
Randi Marrazzo

Seascape - Benjamin Britten  
Richard Clement

Les berceaux - Gabriel Fauré  
Randi Marrazzo

Wapping old stair - William Walton  
Leslie Johnson

Wasserfahrt - Felix Mendelssohn  
Richard Clement and Randall Scarlata

### Toward American shores and through our rivers

Shanandoah - trad. arr. Celius Dougherty  
Philip Horst

The Negro speaks of Rivers - Margaret Bond  
Randall Scarlata

Lady of the Harbor - Lee Hoiby  
Suzanne DuPlantis

Restless River - Edward German  
Randi Marrazzo and Suzanne DuPlantis

The Lordly Hudson - Ned Rorem  
Randall Scarlata

Joy, Shipmate, Joy - Lee Hoiby  
Philip Horst

Finale from H.M.S. Pinafore - Gilbert and Sullivan  
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