



## NEW SONGS FOR A NEW AGE

### *Introducing Benjamin C.S. Boyle, Lyric Fest's Stasiuk & Farion Composer-in-Residence*

Greetings!

Shortly after we founded Lyric Fest, it began to dawn on us that these wonderful things we do—the stories we tell and the outpouring of the human voice and spirit into vessels of song—put us into the current stream, with a joyful commitment to commission new songs so that generations to come will share in this compelling art form.

To commemorate our 15th-anniversary season, we invite you to dip into the stream with us as we highlight new works by a remarkable young composer with a special affinity for verse and song, [Benjamin C.S. Boyle](#).

He has produced a stunning body of art song that brings together his lyric and pianistic gifts with an affinity for exquisite verse. The upcoming concert's program includes "Ophelia," "Songs of Virtue and Loss" and the world premiere of Lyric Fest's newly commissioned song cycle, "Spirits in Bondage," which comprise settings of the early love poetry of C.S. Lewis. Join us!

*Yours with a song,  
Suzanne and Laura*

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### **Art Songs of Benjamin C.S. Boyle**

Sunday, December 3rd at 3 p.m., at the Academy of Vocal Arts, 1920 Spruce St. in Philadelphia

*This vital concert features baritone Daniel Teadt, soprano Sarah Shafer, mezzo-soprano Hannah Ludwig and Laura Ward at the piano, with engaging commentary by the composer.*

**CLAUDE DEBUSSY**  
*Biography in Music*

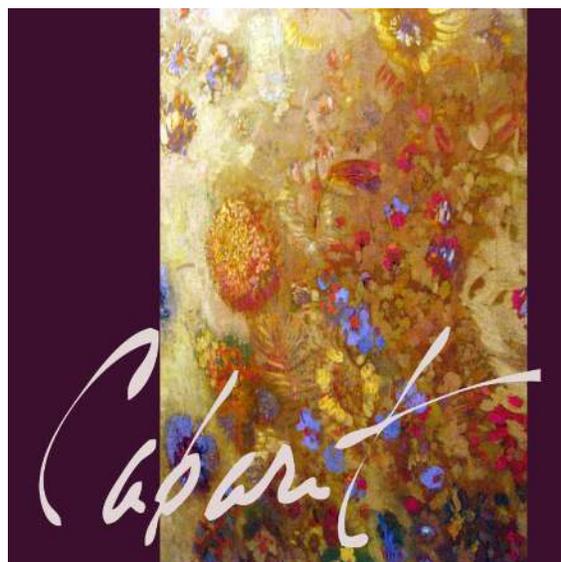
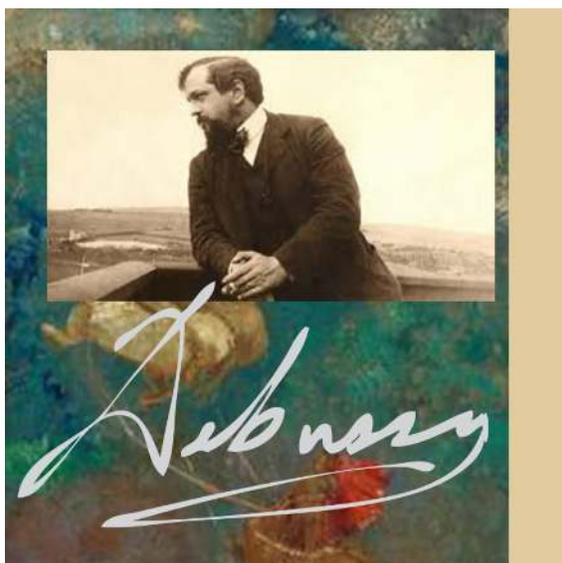
*with Amy Burton, Suzanne DuPlantis, Thomas Meglioranza, Rebecca Myers and Laura Ward at the piano, and with commentary by Benjamin C.S. Boyle*

**Saturday, February 10, 2018 at 4 p.m.**  
at the Presbyterian Church of Chestnut Hill

**Sunday, February 11, 2018 at 3 p.m.**  
at the Academy of Vocal Arts

The latest in our biography series, this program features the fascinating and tempestuous life and times of Claude Debussy. Narrating and reading from the composer's letters will be Composer-in-Residence Benjamin C.S. Boyle.

[Tickets](#)



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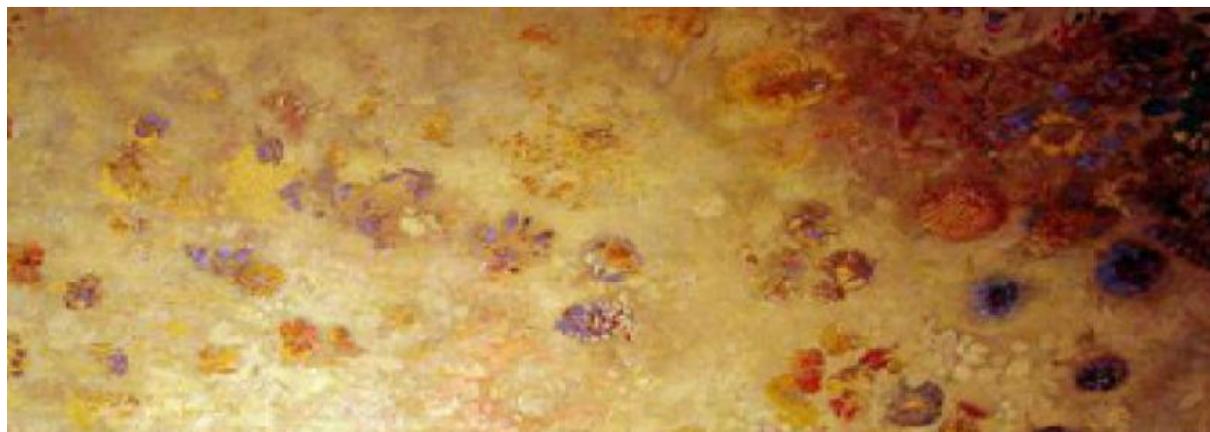
*with Suzanne DuPlantis, Richard Troxell, Ron Kerber and Harold Evans at the piano*

**Saturday, March 24, 2018 at 7 p.m.**  
at the Academy of Vocal Arts

Join Lyric Fest for a sparkling evening with round-table seating, fine wines, appetizers, desserts... and the unforgettable songs of Rodgers and Hart!

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