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### INTRODUCTION

The standard brass quintet consisting of trumpets, French horn, trombone and tuba, is a relatively modern chamber music structure. It was only in 1796 that Haydn provided the first solo concerto for the newly developed valved trumpet, which opened up the entire low register to chromatic possibilities, and other brass instruments continued to evolve into the 19<sup>th</sup> century.

This programme featuring a smorgasbord of brass delicacies, takes us on a journey through the European continent and North America. Beginning with what is thought to be the origins of the brass quintet genre with French composer Jean-François Bellon's refined work, the programme finishes with American composer Michael Kamen's emotive offering demonstrating the versatility of colour and technique that a brass ensemble is capable of. 1795-1869

## JEAN-FRANÇOIS BELLON Quintet no. 1 in F

Allegro



Jean-François Bellon was accepted as a student at the Paris Conservatoire but, owing to the Napoleonic wars, could not attend until 1823. Winning First Prize for violin, he began composing. After his studies, he performed in Parisian orchestras and conducted the Philippe Musard Orchestra where the brass section inspired several ensemble pieces. Quintet no. 1 in F was written around 1852. There are four movements in the music. In this concert, you will hear the first movement.

The **Allegro** opens brightly with the ensemble in unison. The trumpet introduces a quick rhythmic pattern and a trombone theme is continued by the ensemble. The bright figures return, followed by a horn melody. Energetic dotted rhythms dominate the closing section. Bellon (Drawing by Ed. Hébert) Source: Editions Bim, Switzerland 1860-1935

# VICTOR EWALD

Quintet no. 1 in B-flat minor, op. 5

Moderato Adagio non troppo lento – Allegro vivace – Adagio Allegro moderato



Victor Ewald was born in St Petersburg and enrolled in the Conservatory at the age of 12. He received lessons in cornet, piano, horn, cello, harmony and composition, and became friendly with Balakirev, Borodin, Mussorgsky and Rimsky-Korsakov. Quintet no. 1 in B-flat minor was written around 1890 and revised in 1912. Ewald usually played the tuba part.

The tuba opens the **Moderato** with questioning, melancholy phrases. The ensemble answers and develops these. The trumpet leads the Piú mosso with dotted rhythms, gradually becoming more lyrical. The melancholy music of the opening returns, ending strongly.

The Adagio non troppo lento is a lyrical, hymn-like aria. The lower brass begins the Allegro vivace with fast repeated notes and active passages shared between upper and lower brass. The mood changes at the Adagio where a decorated version of the aria returns. Three cadence figures bring the movement to a close.

The lower quartet begins the **Allegro moderato** with warm tones in the major key. The first trumpet joins adding forward motion. Quick, repeated notes in the trombone lead to Russian-sounding themes. The repeated notes return and lead to an accelerando passage with a bright major tonality.

Ewald © brassmusiconline.com

## ANDRÉ PREVIN Four Outings for Brass Quintet

Moderato, with energy Blues tempo Slowly Vivace



Born in Germany, Previn studied at the Berlin Hochschule für Musik and the Paris Conservatoire. Arriving in the US, he continued his music studies and worked with a great-uncle on film music in Hollywood. The MGM studios then hired him as an arranger, jazz pianist and composer. Previn began to study conducting and was soon working with important orchestras in the US and Europe. In addition to the orchestral repertoire, he remained interested in jazz and popular music. He wrote *Four Outings* for Brass Quintet in 1974 for the Philip Jones Brass Ensemble.

**Moderato, with energy** opens with bright fanfares answered by phrases on the tuba. Longer trumpet phrases are set against stabbing, rhythmic chords before the fanfares return.

A trumpet duet establishes the **Blues tempo** against the tuba bass. After a variety of jazzy figures, brilliant cadenzas for the two trumpets lead to the final thoughtful bars.

A sad trombone solo establishes the mood of **Slowly** for the whole ensemble. Horn and muted trumpets remind us of the "foxtrot" dances of the 1940s.

The brisk **Vivace** starts with rhythmic phrases. This strong drive keeps the music moving through varied colours. Brilliant playing brings the piece to a witty ending.

Previn (Photo by Lillian Birnhaum) © Wise Music Classical b. 1954

# ERIC EWAZEN

Colchester Fantasy

The Rose and Crown The Marquis of Granby The Dragoon The Red Lion



Eric Ewazen was born in 1954 in Cleveland, Ohio. He studied composition at the Eastman School of Music and the Juilliard School and received several awards and fellowships. Since 1980 he has been a teacher at the Juilliard School and has lectured for the New York Philharmonic's Musical Encounters Series and the Lincoln Center Institute.

Ewazen himself explains: "Colchester Fantasy was written for the American Brass Quintet while I was teaching at the Estherwood Music Festival, held in Colchester, England during the summer of 1987. Colchester is the oldest recorded town in Britain. Each movement of this work is named after an old Colchester pub (bar)."

Ewazen continues: "The first movement (**The Rose and Crown**) is filled with bright, sonorous chords, energetic rhythmic patterns, and constantly changing motives. **The Marquis of Granby** (a name which I associated with a distant, faded aristocracy) is a stately, chorale-like movement with somber, plaintive themes. **The Dragoon** brings forth the sounds of battle with dissonant, clashing harmonies, agitated rhythms and fragmented melodies. The fourth movement, **The Red Lion** (a name suggesting royalty and nobility) is a resonant fugue, pushed forward with motion, and a rapid, spinning fugue theme." Ewazen © ericewazen.com

## JOAKIM AGNAS Tango

One of three Swedish brothers, all of whom are professional musicians, Joakim Agnas studied at the Royal College of Music in Stockholm and is now Principal Trumpet of the Royal Stockholm Philharmonic Orchestra. He has also been a member of Stockholm Chamber Brass. The three brothers, Tomas, Urban and Joakim are extremely popular in Sweden. Known as the AGNAS PROJECT, they frequently appear on TV and in Music Festivals.

Joakim Agnas wrote *Tango* in 1996. The soulfulness of the dance comes through the stabbing dance rhythms with solos from individual instruments providing effective continuity.



Agnas ©Joakim Agnas

#### 1948-2003

## MICHAEL KAMEN Quintet

Michael Kamen was born in New York and began playing the oboe in high school. He also began taking part in rock music concerts with his friends. He entered the Juilliard School but continued his performances in popular music. He developed a successful career as a composer for film and television but also wrote ballet and other orchestral music. Unfortunately, in 1995, he developed multiple sclerosis and died in London aged 55. His Quintet was written in 2002 for the Canadian Brass.

The horn opens with a haunting melody, marked Adagio, taken up by the trumpet and then the whole quintet. After getting a little quicker in the middle, the original opening melodies return played by the trumpets. Individual phrases by horn and trumpet lead to the final chords.



Kamen ©Hollywood Records, Inc

Programme notes by Michael Ryan





## CHRISTOPHER MOYSE Trumpet

Christopher Moyse was appointed to the trumpet section of the HK Phil in 2005. He has performed with the Hallé Orchestra at the BBC Proms, the Malaysian Philharmonic, the Singapore Symphony, the Macau Orchestra, and has also worked with the Ulster Orchestra and the European Union Chamber Orchestra. He is a trumpet artist for Conn-Selmer.

## **ROBERT SMITH** Trumpet

A member of the HK Phil since 2015, Robert Smith has performed with a number of notable orchestras around the world including the Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra, CBSO, Philharmonia Orchestra, European Union Youth Orchestra, National Youth Orchestra of Great Britain and has had trials with the Orchestra of the Scottish Opera and the London Symphony Orchestra.



## LIN JIANG Horn

HK Phil Principal Horn Lin Jiang began playing the horn at the age of 10. A graduate of the University of Melbourne, Lin is one of Australia's most sought after horn soloists, and has performed solos with the Melbourne and Sydney Symphony orchestras, the Malaysian Philharmonic Orchestra and the Australian Youth Orchestra. He has also taught in Singapore and Hong Kong.



## JAROD VERMETTE Trombone

Jarod Vermette joined the HK Phil as Principal Trombone in 1996 at the age of 20. In 2012 he performed John Mackey's *Harvest Concerto* with the Hong Kong Wind Philharmonia and Roland Szentpali's *Trombone Scenes* with the Academy Brass Ensemble. He teaches at the Hong Kong Academy for Performing Arts, Baptist University and the Chinese University of Hong Kong.



### LAI TAK-CHUN Tuba

Lai Tak-chun was one of the first Chinese tuba players to be offered a position as principal tuba of an overseas professional orchestra when he served as the Auckland Philharmonia Orchestra Principal Tuba from 2015 to 2020. He has appeared with many orchestras in Australia, New Zealand, Iceland and Hong Kong. He is an Eastman Tuba Performing and Ultimate Brass Artists.



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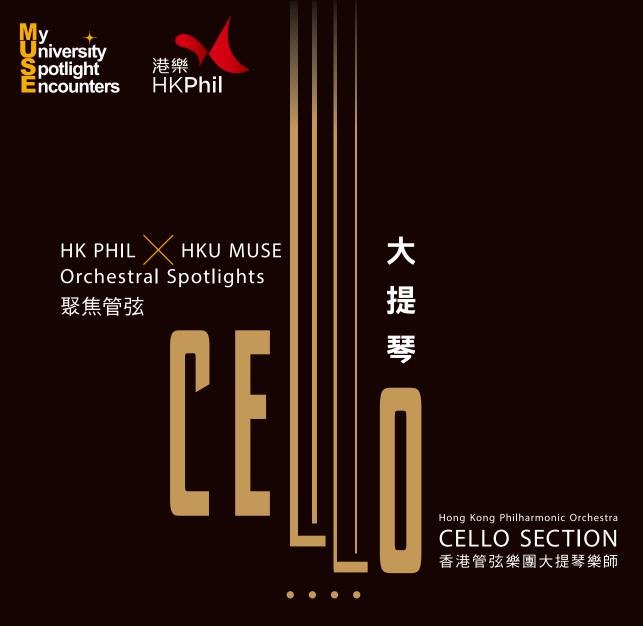
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