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WASHINGTON: March 14 David E. Finley, Director of the National Gallery of Art, announced today that the Gallery's Ninth American Music Festival will be presented during April. Four concerts devoted to works by American composers will be played.

The series is under the general direction of Richard Bales, who will conduct the National Gallery Orchestra in one of the concerts.

These programs will be given on Sunday evenings, April 6, 13, 20, and 27 at 8:00 P.M., in the West Garden Court of the National Gallery of Art.

The festival will be broadcast in entirety by the Continental FM Network, through the facilities of Station WCFM, Washington.

Compositions to be performed and artists

participating follow:

Sunday, April 6 Marjorie Mitchell, Pianist

Charles T. Griffes Sonata
Edward MacDowell Sonata No.4, "Celtic"
Samuel Barber Sonata, Opus 26

Sunday, April 13

The Stringart Quartet of Philadelphia Morris Shulik and Irwin Eisenberg, Violins Gabriel Braverman, Viola Hershel Gorodetzky, Cello

Ned Rorem Wallingford Riegger Harl McDonald Arthur Cohn \*Quartet No.2
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\*Negro Quartettino

\*Quartet No.4 ("Histrionics")

Sunday, April 20

Vocal Music by Mary Howe, performed by Katharine Hansel, Soprano John Langstaff, Baritone Theodore Schaefer, Pianist The Howard University Choir Warner Lawson, Director

For Baritone:
Lullaby for a Forester's Child
The Rag Picker
Reach
To the Unknown Soldier
Uber allen Gipfeln
Mailied
Herbsttag

For Soprano:
Spring come not too soon
In Tauris
Fragment
When I died in Berners Street
Zweifel
Mein Herz
Die Jahre

For Chorus:
Williamsburg Sunday
Chain Gang Song
Cavaliers
The Horseman
Song to Ruth
Prophecy-1792

Sunday, April 27

National Gallery Orchestra Richard Bales, Conductor

Robert Elmore Richard Bales

William Lavender

Virgil Thomson Burrill Phillips David Diamond Alba Rosa Vietor \*\*Litany for Orchestra

\*\*Suite No.2, for Strings, after

Music of the American Revolution

\*\*Slow and Fast Movements, from

Suite for Small Orchestra

\*Tango Lullaby Dance Overture

\*Elegy in Memory of Maurice Ravel

\*\*Mediolanum

\*\*First performance
\*First Washington performance

(These programs are subject to change)