THE WILLIAM NELSON CROMWELL CONCERTS

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1596th Concert

JEROME BARRY, BARITONE
ALAN MANDEL, PIANIST

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West Building, East Garden Court

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FRANZ MARIA MAYR

Born in Niederndorf, Tyrol, Austria, on October 29, 1910, Franz Maria Mayr studied German and English literature at Innsbruck University, and Music at the Innsbruck Conservatory. He taught English and German literature at high schools in Tyrol and privately composed music, including the song cycle "Wo die Zypressen stehen" ("Where the Cypresses Grow").

Shortly after the occupation of Austria by Nazi Germany, Mayr became an active member of the resistance. He was the leader of the resistance group “Mayr-Gruenewald”, formed in 1940. He played an important role in saving the lives of an American and a British aircraft pilot. On May 3, 1945, while participating in the raising of the Austrian flag at the Landhaus, the headquarters of the Tyrolean government, Mayr was shot by SS bands. A plaque of honor at the Landhaus commemorates his personal heroism in the pursuit of Austria’s freedom and independence.

PROGRAM

1. Franz Schubert (1797-1828)
   Four Lieder
   Liebesbotschaft (Rellstab)
   Zum Punsch (Mayrhofer)
   Der Schiffer (Mayrhofer)
   Abschied (Rellstab)

2. Franz Maria Mayr (1910-1945)
   From “Wo die Zypressen stehen” a Song Cycle (1933-35)
   Grabgang (Mayr)
   Von fern die Uhren schlagen (Eichendorff)
   In der Gruft (Storm)
   Verloren (Storm)
   world premiere

3. Hugo Wolf (1860-1904)
   Four Lieder (Morike)
   Der Gärtner
   Verborgenheit
   Ges ang Weylas
   Fussreise

INTERMISSION

4. Gabriel Fauré (1845-1924)
   Four Songs
   Lydia (Le Comte de Lisle)
   Tristesse (Bussine)
   Nell (Bussine)

5. Edvard Grieg (1843-1907)
   Four Songs
   En Svane (Ibsen)
   Tak for dit Rad (Bjornson)
   Jeg elsker Deg! (Andersen)

6. Charles Ives (1874-1954)
   Memories: Very Pleasant – Rather Sad
   Charlie Rutledge (Cowboy Songs)