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PROGRAM

Eastern Symphony Orchestra

David Commanday, Director Cameron Craig, Graduate Conducting Assistant Charles Koprowski-Barr, Graduate Assistant

Conducted by Cameron Craig

-Brief Intermission-

The Kid......Craig Safan Written, produced, and directed by Charlie Chaplin (b. 1948)

Conducted by Professor Commanday

PROGRAM NOTES

Le Boeuf sur le Toit, 1919-1920 Darius Milhaud (1892-1974)

The title of Darius Milhaud's *Le Boeuf sur le Toit* ("The Ox on the Roof") may have been inspired by a billboard advertisement, or by an actual tavern in Paris of that name. Milhaud originally intended the work to accompany any of Charlie Chaplin's short comic films. Although it did not premiere as incidental music for a Chaplin film, the score premiered for a Surrealist ballet by Jacque Cocteau using clown-like acrobats in a sort of circus atmosphere. Critics described the ballet's scenario as "pleasantly devoid of all meaning."

Milhaud insisted that the music references a Brazilian folk dance, writing, "haunted by my memories of Brazil, I assembled some popular melodies – tangos, maxixes, sambas, and even a Portuguese fado – and transcribed them with a rondo-like section recurring between each successive pair." Milhaud presents lively themes and Latin-American rhythms, with polytonality (combining two keys simultaneously) scattered through the piece. The main theme keeps coming back after short contrasting episodes, and the tunes and the vibe are just right for a lively bar – except that, occasionally, it sounds just "a little off."

PROGRAM NOTES

The Kid, 1921 Charlie Chaplin Film Score by Craig Safan

Written, produced, and directed by Chaplin himself, *The Kid* premiered in 1921 and was a huge success, becoming the second-highest grossing film of that year. Tonight's screening features an original score written for the film by the accomplished Hollywood composer for film, documentary and TV, Craig Safan.

The story tells of a tramp (Chaplin) who, despite himself, takes on the role of father to a foundling baby left in an alley. Five years pass, and the tale centers on the interactions between the two main characters, the tramp and the kid (played by child star Jackie Coogan in his screen debut). A heart-rending counterpoint is the story of the boy's mother, filled with remorse for giving up her son. Enter various characters, each in turn a stress or actual threat to split up the inseparable pair. The ultimate crisis occurs of course, when the boy is "found" and returned to her for the reward she offered in the newspaper.

Craig Safan has composed the scores for the classic *The Last Starfighter*, the iconic *Nightmare on Elm Street IV*, as well such diverse films as *Stand and Deliver*, *Mr. Wrong*, *Remo Williams*, *The Legend of Billie Jean*, *Warning Sign*, *Fade to Black*, and *Major Payne*. For television Safan composed the music for the multi-Emmy-winning series *Cheers* plus *Amazing Stories*, *The New Twilight Zone*, and *Tales from the Crypt* as well as the Emmy-winning mini-series *Son of the Morning Star* and *Mission of the Shark*. Safan also scored the top-selling National Geographic documentary *Secrets of the Titanic* and the Oscar-nominated documentary *The California Reich*.

Safan's imaginative and colorful musical score to *The Kid* harkens back to the 1920s, enhancing the humor, heartache, suspense, and excitement throughout.

Program Notes by Cameron Douglas Craig

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