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ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY

School of Music

MM RECITAL #2

**CHRISSIE GUÐMUNDSDÓTTIR
AND
JULIANA WITT**



**MASTERS RECITAL SERIES
RECITAL HALL
APRIL, 28, 2016 • 7:30 PM**

Freij (Premiere)

Ragnheiður Erla Björnsdóttir is a composer based in Reykjavík, Iceland. Erla began her musical studies at the age of three in Hanover, Germany in Musikalische früherziehung für Kinder before returning back to Iceland at the age of six where she studied in the Music School in Egilsstaðir and later in Mosfellsbær. During these years she chose to study the violin and later the trombone before starting singing lessons at the age of fifteen that eventually lead her into composition. She will graduate in June 2016 from the Icelandic Academy of the Arts with a BA degree in Composition. Her teacher is Hróðmar I Sigurbjörnsson.

Freyja is a Norse mythology goddess associated with love, beauty, fertility, gold, war and death. She rides a chariot pulled by two cats and possesses a cloak of falcon feathers. Freyja rules over the heavenly afterlife field Folksvangr and there receives half of those that die in battle, whereas the other half goes to Odinn's hall, Valhalla.

Freyja

Fólkvangur er inn níundi, en þar Freyja ræður sessa kostum í sal; hálfan val hún kýs hverjan dag, en hálfan Óðinn á.	Fólkvangr is ninth and there hath Freya power To seat her daily guests around the board; Daily she chooseth unto herself the half of fallen heroes, and half Odin owneth
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Program / Efnisskrá

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Goddess song to Chrissie

Ragnheiður Erla
1993-

Violin Sonata no. 10 in G major, Op. 96

I. Allegro moderato
II. Adagio espressivo
III. Scherzo: Allegro
IV. Poco allegretto

L.v. Beethoven
(1770-1827)

*** Intermission / Hlé ***

Violin Sonata no. 1, op.13

I. Allegro Molto
II. Andante
III. Allegro vivo
IV. Allegro quasi presto

Gabriel Faure
(1845-1924)

Jealousy Tango

Jacob Gade
(1879-1963)

Thank you all for coming to my recital!

It means a lot to me. 😊

**I will miss all of you so much, and I'm so grateful
for each and every one of you.**

Before you leave, please sign your name in my **Guestbook**.
It is an Icelandic tradition for every person to have their own
guestbook. I have had this book since 2006. The guests that
attend important events, such as weddings, concerts,
confirmations, etc., sign their name or leave a note to the
owner as a memory.

Out of respect for the performers and those audience members around you, please
turn all beepers, cell phones and watches to their silent mode. Thank you.