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WASHINGTON: February 20: David E. Finley, Director of the National Gallery of Art announced today that the Gallery's Fourth American Music Festival will be presented during March. Five concerts devoted to works by American composers will be played.

Three of the compositions to receive their premieres were written especially for the Gallery's Music Festival, and are by Dai-keong Lee, Walter Spencer Huffman Jr., and Jack F. Kilpatrick.

The series is under the general direction of Richard Bales, who will conduct two of the concerts.

These programs will take place each Sunday of the month at 8:00 P.M. in the East Garden Court of the National Gallery of Art.

Compositions to be performed and artists participating follow:

Sunday, March 2 - The Gordon String Quartet

Normand Lockwood Quartet No. 6 Quartet No. 1 John Verrall Quartet No. 1 Randall Thompson

Sunday, March 9 - John Kirkpatrick, Pianist

Ross Lee Finney Carl Ruggles

Sonata No.4 in E (Christmastime 1945) Evocations - four chants for Piano

Stephen Foster

Daniel Gregory Mason

John Lessard

Theodore Chanler

Hunter Johnson

Old Folks at Home Variations

The Quiet Hour (from "Country Pictures")

Mask

Toccata in E Flat Major

Sonata

Louis Moreau Gottschalk Souvenir de Porto Rico, The Last Hope,

and Grand Caprice Cubain

Sunday, March 16 - Jacques Gordon, Violinist José Echaniz, Pianist

Charles Martin Loeffler Partita

Burrill Phillips

Louis Gruenberg

Sonata

Sonata No. 2

Sunday, March 23 - National Gallery Sinfonietta Richard Bales, Conductor

Quincy Porter

George Walker

Arcady Dubensky Wayne Barlow

Music for Strings Adagio for Strings

Gossips

Lyrical Piece for Clarinet and Strings

Rex Hinshaw, Soloist

Burrill Phillips

Eric DeLemarter

Jack F. Kilpatrick

Richard Bales

Suite for Strings

Festival Piece for String Orchestra

Music of the American Revolution

Concert Piece for Bassoon and Strings

Dorothy Erler, Soloist

George F. McKay

Ross Lee Finney Slow Piece
Richard Bales Music for Strings
George F. McKay The Arkansas Traveler

Sunday, March 30 - National Gallery Sinfonietta Richard Bales, Conductor

Richard Bales Francis Pyle

Three Songs of Early America Old River Tune, and Clambake

William Grant Still Scherzo, from Afro-American Symphony

Walter Spencer Huffman, Jr. Concerto No. 2 for Piano and Orchestra Shura Dvorine, Soloist

Merrills Lewis

Prelude on a Southern Folk-Hymn Tune

Dai-keong Lee Richard Bales John Philip Sousa Two Marches

Festival Ode Primavera

(These programs are subject to change)

Many of these works will receive either their premieres, or their first Washington performances.