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Announcing...

The World Premiere of

Music for a Summer Evening

By Vermont composer Dr. Gwyneth Walker

Premiered by flautist Suzanne Carr and the Cascades Trio (Alex Russell, violin; Kara Hunnicutt, cello; Duane Funderburk, Piano)

Wednesday June 30th 7PM

Woods House Conservatory of Music's Woodshed
323 First Street, Wenatchee, WA

Woods House Conservatory of Music is proud to host this incredible evening of music featuring and premiering the works of Vermont composer Dr. Gwyneth Walker. The Cascade Trio, with flautist, Suzanne Carr will delight us with pieces from Haydn, and Schubert but the highlight of the evening will be the world premiere of Dr. Walker's "Music for a Summer Evening".

Music for a Summer Evening is a set of short movements focusing on summer evening themes. The intent is to create musical portraits of moods and creatures associated with this nocturnal setting.

"Touch of Evening" is a gentle, melodic expression. This is the start of evening - a time for calm and relaxation. Then, a "Firefly" comes to life, darting about in the air. Harmonics, high glissandi and abundant staccati characterize the musical language.

Summer evenings are definitely the time for "Romance." And this particular romantic interpretation features very gentle tremoli in the piano (marked "tenderly, as a caress") and a "cantabile" theme first introduced in the alto flute, and later appearing in the cello. At the end, the piano tremoli fade into just the "caress" motion of the hands on the keys.

"A Little Night Blues" vamps through the evening air. This is lazy, blues music, with much camaraderie between the players.

The evening ends with "Shooting Stars." These are portrayed by high glissandi in the strings. The flute switches to piccolo in order to enter the stratosphere. This is light, bright music, often in the upper ranges of the instruments. There is rhythmic energy throughout as the stars streak across the sky on a summer evening.

Suggested Donation: \$15 per person at the door
\$10 seniors and students

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