Seattle Pacific University Music Department

PRESENTS

# JUNIOR RECITAL

# Vallerie Hardy, Voice

#### WITH

Asta Vaicekonis, Piano Susanna Valleua, Piano Irene Hsiao, Piano Joel Weinmaster, Bass Guitar Lars Gildehaus, Percussion Nikki Stewart, Voice Sam Hart, Voice Kara Perry, Voice Martina Daly, Voice Jan Nelson, Voice

> Nickerson Studios Friday April 26 | 7:30 p.m.

# PROGRAM

Lift Every Voice	Rosamond Johnson (1873-1954)
And Sing	James Weldon Johnson (1871-1938)
Amor Eterno	Juan Gabriel (1950-2016)
April Day	Florence Price (1887-1953)
Songs To The Dark Virgin	Florence Price I (887-1953)
Have Mercy	Eryn Allen Kane (b. 1989)
Inspired By Sam Cooke	
Cupid	Sam Cooke (1931-1964)
(What A) Wonderful World	Sam Cooke (1931-1964)
Unchained Melody	The Righteous Brothers (1910-1991) (1907-2007)
I Wish You Love	Charles Trenet (1913-2001)
He's Never Failed Me Yet	Alvin Love III (b. 1985)

— Please join us for a reception in the lobby following the recital —

### BIOGRAPHIES

Vallerie Hardy is a fourth year Music Therapy Major. A jack of many trades and master of some, she has sang in various choirs and has played violin in SPU String Ensemble. Currently working as a section leader at St. Dunstan's Episcopal Church in Shoreline, Washington, she is also a caring nanny, and shift supervisor at CVS. Vallerie is an advocate for the music therapy community in Washington, serving as student liaison for the Music Therapy Association of Washington. She has studied violin with Ilkka Talvi, Eric Hanson, and Elizabeth Chirgwin, and has consulted regularly with Christopher Hanson on Blues and Folk styles, and Fiddling - having regularly participated in the Bellevue Wintergrass Festival. She is thankful to all her voice teachers, Beth Anne Bonnecroy, Darell Jordan, and currently Jan Nelson for continually challenging and inspiring her vocal journey. She enjoys quality time with friends and her partner exploring the mountains and Seattle eateries. Her family is an amazing support system and keep her grounded throughout her journey. There are many individuals who have contributed to her success, and she is blessed to have the assistance of SPU House Crew and to collaborate with so many talented, creatives. She is preparing for internship at Lawrence Hall in Chicago. Fall 2024 to further her career in Music Therapy.

— Vallerie performs tonight in partial fulfillment of a B.A. in Music Therapy—

Asta Vaičekonis holds her MM in Piano Performance from the University of Washington and her BA from the Lithuanian Academy of Music. Asta was granted a diploma for best accompaniment in the International Competition of Chamber Music in Kalingrad (Königsberg) Russia (1992). She has played many recitals and chamber music programs in various cities of the United States, Lithuania, Latvia, Germany, Russia, and Israel, and made several recordings for the Lithuanian Radio and Television (1993). She has soloed as Benaroya Halls first pianist and for the Port Angeles Symphony Orchestra. Asta has been on the faculty at SPU, while maintaining a private piano studio.

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