



Tree City Chamber Players

Winter Recital

Saturday, January 14, 2023 ~ 3:00PM
Red Rock Christian Church

Sunday, January 15, 2023 ~ 3:00PM (MT)
Covenant Presbyterian Church

YouTube Livestream (www.treecitychamberplayers.com/concerts)

Amuse-Bouches for Flute, Oboe & Piano

I. saucisson sec
II. pain au chocolat
III. cornichons

Gary Schocker
(b.1959)

Melanie Keller, flute Ryan Klein, oboe Chad Spears, piano

Semelfami

Alejandra Odgers
(b.1967)

Ryan Klein, oboe

Sonata for Flute & Piano

Allegro cantabile
Moderato con moto
Allegro scherzando

Otar Taktakishvili
(1924-1989)

Melanie Keller, flute Chad Spears, piano

****INTERMISSION****

Suite for Flute & Oboe

Prelude
Air
Minuet
Gigue

Ulysses Kay
(1917-1995)

Melanie Keller, flute Ryan Klein, oboe

Jeux d'eau

Maurice Ravel
(1875-1937)

Chad Spears, piano

Trio for Flute, Oboe & Piano

Allegro moderato
Andante
Molto Vivace

Alec Templeton
(1909-1963)

Melanie Keller, flute Ryan Klein, oboe Chad Spears, piano

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About Tree City Chamber Players

Tree City Chamber Players is delighted to present its fifth season in 2022/2023! With over 50 years of combined chamber music experience, Tree City Chamber Players will bring show-stopping woodwind, vocal and piano music to venues around the Treasure Valley this season. Recitals in January and June of 2023 will feature works by Kay, Ravel and Templeton, along with contemporary composers Alejandra Odgers and Gary Schocker. TCCP flutist Melanie Keller, oboist Ryan Klein and pianist Chad Spears, as well as special guest artists, will enthrall Boise audiences with artistic excellence, creative and unpredictable programming, and the excitement of chamber music for years to come. For more information, please visit www.treecitychamberplayers.com.

About the Artists

Melanie Keller, flute, is from Baltimore, MD. She is Principal Flutist & Personnel Manager of the Vallejo Symphony Orchestra, Symphony Napa Valley and Opera Idaho Orchestra and performs regularly with the Boise Philharmonic. She has spent recent summers performing at the Sun Valley Music Festival and with the McCall Summerfest Orchestra. A frequent prizewinner at national flute competitions, she won 1st Place in the 2005 Mid-Atlantic Flute Fair Young Artist Competition. She earned her MM in the studio of Timothy Day at the San Francisco Conservatory and her BM in the studio of Mark Sparks at the Peabody Institute. A passionate educator, she serves as Adjunct Flute Faculty at the College of Idaho, is the flute instructor at the Dunkley School of Music and teaches at the Sun Valley Music Festival Music Institute each summer. Her students have enjoyed participating in the All-Northwest Band, Idaho All-State Band, District and State Solo & Ensemble Festivals, and national flute competitions. When not playing her flute, Melanie loves spending time with her husband Blaise and their sons, Owen & Jacob.

Ryan Klein, English horn and oboe, is from Verbank, New York. His past orchestral positions have included principal oboe of the Hubbard Hall Opera Theater Orchestra, principal oboe of the Lake George Chamber Orchestra, solo English horn with the Boise Philharmonic and associate principal oboe of the Hawaii Symphony Orchestra. He is currently principal oboe of the Opera Idaho Orchestra, solo English horn of the OSU-Corvallis Symphony, oboe and English horn with the McCall SummerFest Orchestra, oboe and English horn substitute with many orchestras including the Oregon Symphony and Stockton Symphony, a founding member of Tree City Chamber Players and Boise Salon Society, and an active private instructor of oboe and English horn.

Ryan's off-season summers are spent fishing and hiking with his dog Jason, and playing ice hockey. He is a USA Hockey certified level three referee and linesman, and holds degrees from Skidmore College, Mannes College of Music, and the Bard Conservatory of Music.

Chad Spears, a native of Boise, ID, has performed across the US, with additional appearances in Canada and Mexico. He has been featured with the Spokane Symphony, Washington-Idaho Symphony, Coeur d'Alene Symphony, and University of Idaho Symphony Orchestra. Chad received his Doctor of Music Degree in Piano Performance at Florida State University under the tutelage of Dr. Read Gainsford. He currently serves as a Visiting Lecturer for Boise State University's Department of Music, teaching music theory, ear training, and class piano. He also is the accompanist for the Opera Theatre course and serves as a freelance collaborative pianist for the department. Chad is the pianist for the Boise-based group Tree City Chamber Players and collaborates with local area school choirs, Alley Repertory Theater, and the Boise Philharmonic.