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**MOZART AND HUMMEL WIND MUSIC TO BE PERFORMED AT ASTON MAGNA
2011 SUMMER FESTIVAL**

**FUTURE CONCERTS TO INCLUDE SONGS BY KING HENRY VIII, AND
MADRIGALS FROM FOUR CENTURIES**

The Aston Magna Festival will continue on June 23, 24, and 25 with chamber music for winds and strings by Wolfgang Mozart and Johann Nepomuk Hummel under the direction of Artistic Director Daniel Stepner. Clarinetist Eric Hoeprich will return for a pleasant program including Mozart's A Musical Joke, K. 522; the horn quintet, K. 407; and the divertimento in D major, K. 251. Also on the program will be Hummel's clarinet quartet, which first appeared in a modern edition in 1958. Other artists will include Stephen Hammer on oboe and Richard Menaul and Frederick Aldrich on horn. String players will include Mr. Stepner on violin and viola, Julie Leven on violin, David Miller on viola, Loretta O'Sullivan on cello, and Anne Trout on double bass.

The concert will be performed at the Slosberg Auditorium at Brandeis University, Waltham, MA (June 23); Olin Auditorium on the Main Campus of Bard College, Annandale-on-Hudson (June 24); and The Daniel Arts Center at Bard College at Simon's Rock in Great Barrington (June 25).

A workshop will be offered at Brandeis leading up to these concerts on, June 19-24: sessions will be offered on performing on Mozart's wind instruments by Stephen Hammer, oboe, and Eric Hoeprich, clarinet. Sessions. For more information, please consult the website, www.brandeis.edu/summer/music/.

This summer, the Aston Magna Festival will present a summer concert series devoted to music spanning from the early 16th to the 20th centuries. Two of the remaining concerts in the series will be performed at Slosberg Auditorium at Brandeis University in Waltham, MA, on Thursday evenings, June 23, and 30 with concerts beginning at 8 p.m. All three of the remaining concerts may be heard on Fridays evenings, June 24 and July 1 and 8 at 8:00 p.m. in the air-conditioned auditorium of the Olin Humanities Building on the Main Campus of Bard College, Annandale-on-Hudson, New York; and on Saturdays June 25 and July 2 and 9 at the Daniel Arts Center at Bard College at Simon's Rock in Great Barrington, MA, at 6 p.m. A pre-concert lecture will be featured one hour before all concerts.

For its third program, on June 30, July 1, and July 2, Aston Magna will reach a bit into the past, to the court of the English King Henry VIII. The program will even include works by the notorious ruler, in addition to music by Hayne van Ghizeghem, Josquin des Prez, Heinrich Isaac, John Cornysh, Ludwig Senfl, and Jo. de Vyzeto. Tenor Aaron Sheehan will be joined by Sarah Cunningham, Jane Hershey, Laura Jeppesen, and Emily Walhout, viols,

The final concert of the 2011 Festival, on July 8 and 9, will include an unusual breadth of madrigal styles (for Aston Magna). "The Italian Madrigal and its Legacy" will present a capella masterworks from four

centuries. Beginning with some of the brilliant vocal works of Carlo Gesualdo, Salamone Rossi, and Claudio Monteverdi, the program will conclude with choice compositions by Johannes Brahms, Claude Debussy, Maurice Ravel, Glenn Gould, Peter Schickele, and Peter Lutkin. Sopranos Roberta Anderson and Kristin Watson, countertenor Gerrod Pagekopf, tenors William Hite and Frank Kelley, and bass David Ripley will perform this wide range of music.

For information or to order tickets to the concerts at the Olin Auditorium on the Main Campus of Bard College, Annandale on Hudson, NY, please phone 845-758-7425. Tickets to concerts at The Olin Auditorium at Bard College are not available on-line.

Tickets to concerts at Slosberg Auditorium at Brandeis will be \$25 for general admission, \$15 for senior and \$10 student at the door. A three-concert series is available for \$60. Tickets to concerts at the Daniel Arts Center at Bard College at Simon's Rock will be \$35 for general admission, \$25 for senior and \$10 student at the door. Subscriptions to the Daniel Arts Center concerts are available for \$65 for two concerts.

Tickets to concerts at Slosberg Auditorium at Brandeis University in Waltham, MA and tickets to concerts at the Daniel Arts Center at Bard College at Simon's Rock in Great Barrington, MA may be ordered by calling 413-528-3595, out of area 800-875-7156; sending a check or money order with a self-addressed, stamped return envelope to Aston Magna, P.O. Box 28, Great Barrington, MA 01230 or online at www.astonmagna.org. For further information, call 413-528-3595, out of area phone 800-875-7156; go to www.astonmagna.org or:



This season, Aston Magna continues its program to bring more young people to its concerts. Up to two children, ages 6 to 16, may attend the Great Barrington concerts free with each paid adult ticket.

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