University Unitarian Church
presents the
Seattle Chamber Singers
Directed by
George Shankman
in a

SPRING FEST!

-PROGRAM-

My Beloved Spake
(Song of Solomon)
Margaret Russell, alto
Roupen Shakarian, tenor
Peter Rechley, bass
Chris Hartman, bass

Lo, She Flies
Ah, Dear Heart
Hence, Cares, Thou art too cruel
Dainty fine, sweet nymph
Mary Lynn Young, soprano
Shirley Kraft, soprano
Marlene Kraft, alto
Roupen Shakarian, tenor
Dennis Van Zandt, bass

Frau Musica

-INTERMISSION-

Trois Chansons
1. Dieu! Qu'il la fait bon regarder
2. Quant j'ai ouy le Tambourin
3. Ven, vous n'etez qu'un villain

Carolee, alto
Bonnie Blanchard, soprano
Jerry Sims, tenor
Peter Rechley, bass

Deux Chansons

le Jeune

Jephthe, an oratorio

The audience is invited to stay for a reception and meet with the Chamber Singers following the concert.

We wish to thank William Neuman of Neuman Harpsichords for the two instruments and Kristina Neuman for their instruction.
When the king of the children of Ammon made war against the children of Israel, and marched not into the words of Jephthah, then there came again Jephthah the Gileadite, who had sent and was a mighty man of war. And the princes of Gilead said unto him, 'What will you do for us against the children of Ammon?' And he said, 'What is it to me, how many of you eat bread in Oholibamah?—regard your own tents, every man to his own tent.' And Jephthah sent messengers unto the children of Ammon, saying, 'What do you find with me, that you are come against me to war? Do now send me word: am I too small of a man, that you are come against me to war? The princes of Gilead said unto him, 'What will you do for us against the children of Ammon?' And he said, 'What is it to me, what more do you wish from me? But this I will do; when it shall be reported of me, I will go out to war against the children of Ammon.'

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JEPH: I have opened my mouth to the Lord that whatsoever first cometh forth of the doors of my house to meet me, I will offer to the Lord for a burnt offering. Alas! My daughter, thou hast undone me; and thou likewise, my daughter, thou art undone.

FILIA: 0 my father, thou hast opened thy mouth to the Lord, and hast returned to thy house in peace. Therefore do to me according to thy vow; offer me for a burnt offering before the Lord. But this thing, 0 my father, grant to me, thy only beloved daughter, this thing before I die.

JEPH: But what can give thee consolation, my unhappy daughter?

FILIA: 0 let me go; that for two months I may wander upon the mountains, may wander with my companions, bewailing my unfulfilled days.

JEPH: Go, my daughter, and bewail thy untimely end.

CHORUS: Then went the daughter of Jephthah and her companions unto the mountains, and bewailed her virginity, saying;

FILIA: Lament, ye valleys, bewail, ye mountains; and in the affliction of my heart be ye afflicted. ECNU: Be ye afflicted.

FILIA: 0! I shall die a virgin, and I shall not in my death find consolation in my children. Then bemoan me, ye woods and meadows and fountains; for the death of a maiden make lamentation! ECNO: Make lamentation! See, I am mourning in the joy of my people, in the victory of Israel, in the glory of my father, I in my bitterness, childless, I, an only beloved daughter, must die, and no longer live. Then tremble, ye roots, be astonished, ye mountains, valleys, and caves; and with horror and with fearfulness be resounding! ECNO: Be resounding! Lament and weep, ye children of Israel, for a hapless maiden. Yea, weep for Jephthah's unhappy daughter with wailing notes of sadness; and lament for her.

CHORUS: Lament, ye children of Israel; and all ye maidens weep for her. With wailing notes of sadness, lament for her.