PRESS ADVISORY
Network at PAFA: American Creations

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PHILADELPHIA – Network for New Music reunites with the Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts as part of Network’s season-long exploration of connections between music and the visual arts. Featured are new art-inspired, commissioned chamber works by three generations of composers: Luke Carlson, Paul Lansky, and Oliver Schneller; and, a Philadelphia premiere by Carolyn Chen:

Luke Carlson: Woodcuts, for chamber ensemble, composed in direct response to three powerful woodcuts by Rockwell Kent: Dynamos, Foundry, and Two Locomotives.

Paul Lansky: Harmonic Gallery, for chamber ensemble, was not created in conjunction with a specific work of art at PAFA, but is “a musical analog of a museum exhibition in which paintings, sometimes created hundreds of years apart, are shown in close proximity.” (Paul Lansky)

Oliver Schneller: If You Build It, for flutes, double bass and electronics, is composed in response to a dynamic group of four paintings in the rotunda of PAFA, including a work by contemporary artist William Villalongo, after which the new composition is named.

Carolyn Chen: Great Birnam Wood, an open-form piece for marbles and drumset that continues Network’s art/music theme, requiring the performer to respond to a series of whimsical graphic figures on paper. (Philadelphia premiere.)

A brief Composer Talk follows the concert.

The performance takes place in PAFA’s spectacular Historic Landmark Building, where listeners will be surrounded by the art and architecture that inspired the music. Tickets allow attendees to visit the museum, beginning at 2 PM. In addition, a special performance of new art-inspired works by seventh grade students from Friends Select School begins at 2:30.

The Network Ensemble:
The expressive and virtuosic members of the Network Ensemble performing on this concert include: Jan Krzywicki, conductor; Eric Derr, percussion; Christopher Deviney, percussion; Mary Javian, double bass; John Koen, cello; Hirono Oka, violin; Erica Peel, flute; and Burchard Tang, viola.

Sunday, April 8, 2018; 3 PM
Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts
118 North Broad Street, Philadelphia

Tickets:
Advance ticket sales: $20 Regular/15 senior/10 student and PAFA members (at the door; $25/20/10)

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