Gotham Early Music Scene (GEMS) presents



Thursday February 3, 2022 1:15 pm
The Church of the Transfiguration in NYC
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The Western Wind

Elizabeth van Os, Christina Kay ~ sopranos Eric S. Brenner ~ countertenor Todd Frizzell, David Vanderwal ~ tenors Steve Hrycelak ~ bass

Renaissance Love Songs

Cupid in a Bed of Roses/Cytherea Smiling SaidThomas Bateson (1570–1630)Miraculous Love's WoundingThomas Morley (1557–1602)Qual Vive SalamandraLuca Marenzio (1553–1599)

Dime RobadoraAnon. (Cancionero de Upsala, Venice 1556)Matona Meine LiebeOrlando di Lasso (1532–1594)Io Mi Son GiovinettaClaudio Monteverdi (1553–1599)

See, Mine Own Sweet JewelThomas MorleyUn Advocat Dit à sa FemmeOrlando di LassoSi Ch'io Vorrei MorireClaudio Monteverdi

Mille RegretzJosquin des Prez (d. 1521)April Is In My Mistress' FaceThomas MorleyLady, Your Words Do Spite MeJohn Wilbye (1576–1623)Io Pur RespiroCarlo Gesulado (1566–1613)

Ay Luna! Anon. (Cancionero de Upsala)
Thule, The Period of Cosmography/The Andalusian Merchant Thomas Weelkes (1576–1623)

Greensleeves Traditional English Folk Song registered by Richard Jones in 1580 (Arr. Eric S. Brenner)

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About the Ensemble

Since 1969, the internationally acclaimed vocal sextet The Western Wind has devoted itself to the special beauty and variety of *a cappella* music. The ensemble's repertoire reveals its diverse background: from Renaissance motets to Fifties rock 'n' roll, from medieval carols to Duke Ellington, from complex works by avant-garde composers to the simplest folk melodies.

About the Program

Renaissance love songs from the passionate, sexy, and silly to the elegant and ribald by Lassus, Marenzio, Monteverdi, Gesualdo, Bateson, Morely, Weelkes, Josquin, and others.

NEXT WEEK: Abendmusik, New York's Early Music String Band Whyte's Noyse