michael matthews

Prince Kaspar (2005) 90 min. Chamber opera in 13 scenes 5 singers, actor, cl(b.cl).tbn.perc.va.cb.pf Libretto by Per Brask First performance: May 6/7, 2005, Winnipeg, GroundSwell, Michelle Mourre, conductor, Mireille Lebel, Kaspar

Ernst Toller: Requiem for an Idea (1999) 30 min.

actor, vc Libretto by Per Brask (Manitoba Arts Council) First performance: May 1/2, 1999, GroundSwell, Winnipeg. Richard Fowler: Ernst Toller, Paul Marleyn: vc. Second performance: January 22/23/24 2004, Sequitur Ensemble, Joyce Soho Theatre, New York

ORCHESTRA

Sólo queda el desierto (2014) 27 min. 2222 2200 strings soprano solo Commissioned by L'Orchestre de chambre de Montréal. First performance: March 17, 2015, Montréal, Wanda Kaluzny, conductor, Sarah Kirsch, soprano

Out in the Dark/Silva Myrtea (2012) 18 min. 1111 1000 strings (11111) sop c.ten ten bass Commissioned by The Phoenix Collective. First performance: December 3, 2012, Winnipeg, Michelle Mourre, conductor

Flute Concerto (2010) 29 min.

2(picc)22(b.cl)2 4331 timp.4perc strings Commissioned by the San Luis Potosi Symphony Orchestra for flautist Alejandro Escuer, (Manitoba Arts Council). First performance: May 30, 2010, Mexico City, Orquesta Sinfónica Nacional, José Luis Castillo, conductor, Alejandro Escuer, fl

The Language of Water (2006) 17 min.

string orchestra (66442) Commissioned by the Manitoba Chamber Orchestra (Manitoba Arts Council). First performance: September 26, 2006, Winnipeg, Manitoba Chamber Orchestra, Theodore Kuchar, conductor Selected to represent Canada at the 2008 ISCM Festival in Lithuania

Deux chansons d'amour (2006) 11 min. Soprano, 3333 4331 timp. 3perc cel. harp strings

Postlude (2006) 4 min. 3333 4331 timp. 3perc cel. harp strings

Symphony No. 3 (2005) 45 min.

2222 4231 timp. 2perc strings Commissioned by the Saskatoon Symphony First performance: April 12, 2008, Saskatoon Symphony, Douglas Sanford, conductor

Fire Falls, Ice Falls (2004) 22 min.

0222 2000 strings Commissioned by the Saskatoon Symphony First performance: March 27, 2004, Saskatoon Symphony, Douglas Sanford, conductor

Particles of One (2002) 24 min. solo violin, 1.1.1.1 1.1.1.0 2perc strings(1.1.1.1.1)

Commissioned by the BIT20 Ensemble First performance: March 24, 2004, Bergen, BIT20 Ensemble, Trond Korsgård, conductor, David Stewart, vn

Prelude to Macbeth (2002) 15 min.

2222 4231 timp 4perc strings Commissioned by the Saskatoon Symphony First performance: November 16, 2002, Saskatoon Symphony, Douglas Sanford, conductor. Other performances: April 26, 2003, Regina Symphony, Victor Sawa, conductor; January 28, 2004, Winnipeg Symphony, Michelle Mourre, conductor

Symphony No. 2 (2001) 37 min.

3(3=fl/picc)3(3=ob/e.h)3(3=cl/b.cl)3(3=bsn/c.bsn) 4331 timp 4perc cel. harp strings First performance: February 7, 2002, Winnipeg Symphony Orchestra, Michael Hall, conductor

Cello Concerto (2001) 30 min.

solo cello, 2(1=fl/picc)23(3=b.cl)2 4331 5perc harp cel. strings Commissioned by the Winnipeg Symphony (Canada Council) First performance: May 20, 2005, Belgrade Philharmonic, Michael Matthews, conductor, Paul Marleyn, vc

Into the Page of Night (1998) 11 min.

2222 4331 4perc harp strings Commissioned by the Winnipeg Symphony (Manitoba Arts Council) First Performance: February 16, 1999, Winnipeg Symphony New Music Festival, Rosemary Thompson, conductor

Piano Concerto (1998) 27 min.

piano solo, 2222 4331 3perc harp strings Commissioned by Eduardo Diamuñoz and the Orquestra Sinfónica Carlos Chavez (Canada Council) First performance: June 25/27, 1999, Guadalajara, Jalisco Philharmonic Orchestra, Gordon Campbell, conductor, Jorge Suarez, pf

Concerto Grosso (1998) 25 min.

3perc string quartet string orchestra Commissioned by the Manitoba Chamber Orchestra (Manitoba Arts Council) First performance: May 19, 1998, Winnipeg, Manitoba Chamber Orchestra, Simon Streatfeild, conductor

Lorca Sketches (1998) 25 min.

string orchestra Commissioned by CBC Radio First performance: February 11, 1998, Winnipeg, Manitoba Chamber Orchestra, Simon Streatfeild, conductor

Symphony No. 1 (1997) 44 min.

3(picc.)3(e.h.)3(b.cl.)3(c.bsn.) 4331 4perc cel. harp strings Commissioned by Virko Baley and the Kiev Camerata Orchestra (Canada Council)

Two Interludes (1996) 14 min.

3(picc)3(e.h)3(b.cl)3(c.bsn) 4331 3perc harp strings First performance: January 28, 1997, Winnipeg Symphony, Bramwell Tovey, conductor Awarded third prize in the 1997 du Maurier Ltd. Canadian Composers' Competition

Between the Wings of the Earth (1993) 18 min.

1111 1100 2perc strings Commissioned by the Manitoba Chamber Orchestra (Manitoba Arts Council)

First performance: March 24, 1993, Winnipeg, Manitoba Chamber Orchestra, Simon Streatfeild, conductor. Other performances: May 8/9, 2009, Edmonton Symphony Orchestra, Jacques Lacombe, conductor

Landscape (1990) 20 min.

piano solo strings(44321) Commissioned by the Roseberry Orchestra (Manitoba Arts Council) First performance: July 1991, Toronto, Gary Kulesha, conductor, Christina Petrowska, pf. Other performances: January 1992, Winnipeg Symphony, Bramwell Tovey, conductor, Shirley Sawatzky pf; October 1992, Belgrade/Novi Sad, Chamber Orchestra of Belgrade, Ana Simic, conductor, Sonja Radojkovic, pf

The Far Field (1987)

2222 4331 timp 2perc strings Commissioned by the Winnipeg Symphony (Canada Council) First performance: February 1988, Winnipeg Symphony, Kazuhiro Koizumi, conductor

□ CHAMBER MUSIC

it is raining gently with light (2021) 12 min. cl/b.cl.vn.pf Commissioned by Madeline Hildebrand and GroundSwell First performance: Novermber 2021, Winnipeg

till our bodies into the night slip (2020) 12 min. cl/b.cl.vc.pf. Commissioned by SOLI Chamber Ensemble First performance: October 25, 2020, San Antonio, Texas.

perishable light (2019) 14 min. va/va d'amore.perc Commissioned by Park Sounds (Canada Council) First performance: October 6, 2019, Winnipeg

Septet (2016) 13 min. fl.ob.cl/b.cl.sax.vn.vc.pf Commissioned by ensemble mosaik (Canada Council) First performance: February 9, 2017, Calgary

and the sky caught (2012) 15 min. cl/bcl.va.pf Commissioned by Trio '86 (Manitoba Arts Council) First Performance: February 28, 2012, Winnipeg

String Quartet No. 4 (2011) 25 min. Commissioned by the Penderecki Quartet (Manitoba Arts Council) First performance: June 1, 2011, Waterloo

From the bench of shadow (2009) 12 min. sax.quartet Commissioned by the Quasar Quartet (Canada Council) First performance: February 2, 2010, Winnipeg

Piano Quintet (2009) 17 min. pf.2vl.va.vc. Commissioned by the Agassiz Music Festival First Performance: 2009, Agassiz Festival, Winnipeg

Night Music (2007/2009) 9 min. vn.pf First performance: January 27, 2007, Winnipeg, John Racaru, vn, Carole Pollard, pf

String Quartet No. 3 (2005/2008) 28 min. First performance: January 23, 2009, Montreal, Molinari Quartet. Other Molinari performances: December 2009, Montreal and Winnipeg.

El Viento Helado (2007) 14 min. fl.(picc/a.fl).ob.cl(b.cl).bsn Commissioned by the Mexico City Woodwind Quintet First performance: October 8, 2007, Cervantino Festival, Guanajuato, Mexico. Second performance: May 2008, Foro Internacional de Música Nueva Manuel Enríquez, Mexico City

Guitar Duos (2006) 11 min. 2guitars

The Skin of Night (2006) 16 min. s./a.sax.pf Commissioned by the Harrington Loewen Duo First performance: July 2006, World Saxophone Congress, Ljubljana. February 2007, Debut Atlantic tour

Como un cielo caído (2006) 15 min. fl.cl.vn.vc.pf

Commissioned by the Onix Ensemble First performance: May 2008, Foro Internacional de Música Nueva Manuel Enríquez, Mexico City

Trios (2005) 14 min. cl(b.cl).bsn.pf Written for Trio Neos

Violin/Cello Duos (2005) 13 min. vn.vc First performance: June 20, 2006, Agassiz Festival, Winnipeg, Oleg Pokhanovski, vn, Paul Marleyn, vc

Violin/Viola Duos (2005) 13 min. vn.va First performance: October 9, 2005, Agassiz Festival, Winnipeg, Oleg and Mikhail Pokhanovski

Piano Quartet (2004) 12 min. vn.va.va.pf Commissioned by the Agassiz Festival First performance: June 21, 2004, Winnipeg, Agassiz Festival. Second performance: October 23, 2005, GroundSwell, Winnipeg

String Quartet No. 2 (2003) 23 min. Written for the Mondriaan String Quartet First performance: May 10, 2003, Winnipeg, Mondriaan Quartet. Second performance: September 30, 2004, Concerthall De Buers van Berlage, Amsterdam, Mondriaan Quartet.

Hommage à György Kurtág (2002) 7 min. 2vn.2vc Commissioned by the Agassiz Festival First performance: June 23, 2002, Agassiz Festival, Winnipeg

Cello Duos (2002) 12 min. 2vc First performance: June 2002, Agassiz Festival, Winnipeg

Wondering (2002) 3 min. va First performance, August 2002, Winnipeg Song Fragments (2002) 20 min. vc.pf Commissioned by the Agassiz Chamber Players First performance: January 8, 2002, Winnipeg, Paul Marleyn, vc, Sara Laimon, pf. Other performances: October 2002, Belgrade, Kragujevac, Paul Marleyn, vc, Judy Kehler Siebert, pf; February 3, 2008, New York, David Calhoun, vc, Peter Vinograde, pf

Miniatures (2000) 13 min. string quartet Written for the Molinari Quartet First performance: January 15, 2001, Winnipeg. Other performances: March 23, 2001, Montreal, Molinari Quartet; May 17, 2003, 12th International Review of Composers, Belgrade, Gudacki Quartet

String Quartet No. 1 (1999) 23 min. Commissioned by the Cuarteto Latinoamericano First performance: October 24, 1999, GroundSwell, Winnipeg. Second performance: February 4, 2002, Winnipeg Symphony New Music Festival

Toller: Suite for Solo Cello (1999) 18 min. (Manitoba Arts Council) First performance: October 13, 1999, Contrasts Festival, Lviv, Paul Marleyn, vc

Images (1999) 7 min. cl.vn.va.vc First performance: July 22, 1999, International Bartók Festival, Szombothely, Hungary, Bartók Festival Ensemble

Partita: Images/Fragments (1999) 13 min. vn.pf Commissioned by the Winnipeg Chamber Music Society (Manitoba Arts Council) First performance: September 19, 1999, Winnipeg, Gwen Hoebig, vn, David Moroz, pf

Wind Sketches (1988) 16 min. 2ob.2cl.2bsn.2hn Commissioned by the Academy Winds (Manitoba Arts Council) First performance: May 9, 1988, Winnipeg, Pat Carrabré, conductor. Other performances: January 1995, Winnipeg Symphony New Music Festival, Bramwell Tovey, conductor

Fantasy (1985) 12 min. vn Written for Jack Glatzer First performance: March 24, 1986, Winnipeg, Jack Glatzer, vn

Einklang (2007) 17 min. 2 pf First performance: March 6, 2008, Winnipeg, Oksana Ezhokina and Naomi Niskala

Fantasy/Nocturne (1999) 15 min. pf Commissioned by Corey Hamm (Canada Council) First performance: November 8, 2003, Edmonton, Roger Admiral, pf

Postlude (1997) 5 min. pf

Bagatelles (1997-present) pf An ongoing project

Preludes (1994-present) pf An ongoing project

Scattered Mirrors (1993) 8 min. pf Commissioned by Shirley Sawatzky (Manitoba Arts Council) First performance: October 29, 1993, Pinewa, Manitoba **Of Time and Sky** (1990) 20 min. pf Commissioned by Poul Rosenbaum (Manitoba Arts Council)

Bloody Jack (2015-20) 45 min. soprano, pf Text: Dennis Cooley; Language: English

A Star of Solitude (2018) 20 min. soprano cl./b.cl. vla. perc. Text: Charles Simic; Language: English First performance: October16, 2018, Winnipeg, GroundSwell

when you leave me (2010) 6 min.

mezzo soprano, pf Text: Dennis Cooley; Language: English First performance: December 7, 2012, Winnipeg, Dawn Bruch, sop, Laura Loewen, pf

Winter is when snakes (2010) 10 min.

soprano, ob.vc.pf.tape Text: Dennis Cooley; Language: English First performance: March 31, 2010, Winnipeg, Sarah Kirsch, soprano, Deena Grier, piano, Bronwen Garand-Sheridan, oboe, Edvany Klebia Silva, cello

Trees in Winter (2009) 9 min. soprano, 2 tenors, fl.a.sax.vn.pf Text: Dennis Cooley; Language: English First performance: 2009, Winnipeg

Six Poems of Novica Tadić (2008) 19 min.

Mezzo soprano, hp.perc.strings(4.4.2.2.1) Text: Novica Tadić, trans. Charles Simic Language: English First performance: October 27/28 2008, Brandon/Winnipeg, Brandon Chamber Players, Michelle Mourre, conductor, Mireille Lebel, mezzo soprano

Zwei Gedichte (2008) 10 min. 4 sopranos, fl.tpt.va Text: Gottfried Benn, Else Lasker-Schüler Language: German First performance: 2008, Winnipeg

A Star of Solitude (2006) 20 min. mezzo soprano, cl(b.cl).va.perc Text: Charles Simic; Language: English Commissioned by Ensemble Meduse (Manitoba Arts Council)

Las Blancas Sombras (2003) 14 min. sop.guitar Texts: Antonio Machado; Language: Spanish Commissioned by Ian Hodges and Charlene Pauls (Manitoba Arts Council) First performance: February 12, 2007, Winnipeg, Ian Hodges, Charlene Pauls

Across the Glass (2002) 7 min. sop.cl Texts: Dennis Cooley; Language: English

Deux chansons d'amour (1996) 12 min. sop.pf Text: Roger Léveillé; Language: French Commissioned by the Eckhardt–Gramatté Foundation for the 1996 Eckhardt–Gramatté Competition (Canada Council, Manitoba Arts Council)

Other performances: September 21, 2001, Winnipeg, Therese Costes, sop, Cheryl Pauls, pf

Out of the Earth (1993) 22 min.

sop.ob(e.h).cl(b.cl).perc.pf.vn.vc.cb Text: Papago, Teton Sioux, Algonquin; Language: English Commissioned by Vancouver New Music Society (Manitoba Arts Council)

First performance: March 21, 1993, Vancouver, Owen Underhill, conductor, Therese Costes, sop

Peso Ancestral (2008) 10 min. SATB, 2ob.2bsn Text: Alfonsina Storni; Language: Spanish Commissioned by the University Singers (Manitoba Arts Council) First performance: 2011, Winnipeg, Elroy Friesen, conductor **Time Passes** (1999) 2 min. SATB Text: Hatsui Shizue; Language: English First performance: 1999, Steinbach Regional High School Choir, Ed Hildebrand, conductor

Night Prairie (1995) 4 min. SATB Text: Dennis Cooley; Language: English

Song of the Sky Loom (1995) 10 min. Soloists and SATB Texts: Tewa; Language: English Commissioned by the University Singers (Manitoba Arts Council) Featured work on the Singers 1996 tour of Poland

Two Night Pieces (1994) 10 min. countertenor 2 tenors baritone Texts: Dennis Cooley; Language: English Commissioned by the Hilliard Ensemble (Canada Council) First performance: 1994, Winnipeg, the Hilliard Ensemble

Rooms of Light (1992) 11 min. Text: Patrick Friesen; Language: English Commissioned by the Winnipeg Singers (Manitoba Arts Council) First Performance: Winnipeg, the Winnipeg Singers, Mel Braun, conductor

Altas Piedras (2012) 13 min. bsn.tape Commissioned by the Mexican Center for Music and Sonic Arts for Wendy Holdaway. First performance: June 9, 2012, Morelia, Mexico.

Sky Rings (2010) 14 min. cl.tape Commissioned by Esther Lamneck First performances: October 1, 2010, University of Manitoba, Esther Lamneck, clarinet. Other performances: February 17, 2011, Fredrick Loewe Theatre, New York.

Into Its Own Shadow (2010) 20 min. flutes.bcl.pf.tape Commissioned by the Mexican Center for Music and Sonic Arts for Ensamble 3. First performance: June 29, 2012, Morelia, Mexico. Other performances: July 13, 2012, Mexico City.

De Reflejo a Fulgor (2007) 16 min. pf.tape Commissioned by the Mexican Center for Music and Sonic Arts for pianist Duane Cochran

Away, Tear Away (2003) 15 min. fl.ob.cl.hn.bsn.tape Commissioned by the Mexico City Woodwind Quintet First performance: June 15, 2004, El Colegio Nacional, Mexico City. Other performances: October 6, 2005, Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México; October 10, 2005, Cervantino Festival, Guanajuato, Mexico; May 27, 2007, Foro Internacional de Música Nueva Manuel Enríquez, Mexico City

On the Outer Edge (2001) 5 min. tape Written for the Canadian Electroacoustic Community's CD PRESENCE III

Vertical Garden (2001) 10 min. fl.tape

Commissioned by Alejandro Escuer First performance: June 28, 2002, Festival Internacional de Arte Sonoro, Mexico City, Alejandro Escuer, fl. Other performances: October 1, 2002, Brandon, Leslie Newman, fl; July 19, 2005, Mexico City, Asako Arai, fl; February 23, 2007, Yale University, Haley Rempel, fl; April 12, 2007, New Music Miami ISCM Festival, Alejandro Escuer, fl; November 23, 2007, Visiones Sonoras Festival, Mexico City, Alejandro Escuer, fl

expecting/the sun (2001) 13 min.

sop.cl.vn.AXIO.pf Text: Dennis Cooley; Language: English Commissioned by Ensemble Resonance (Canada Council) First performance: May 7, 2001, Calgary, Ensemble Resonance ... of the rolling worlds (1999) 12 min. b.cl tape Commissioned by Harry Sparnaay First performance: September 23, 1999, Alicante. Other performances: September 20, 2001, Winnipeg, Milan Milosevic, b.cl; October 2001, Winnipeg/Edmonton/Calgary, Harry Sparnaay, b.cl; February 2008, Morelia, Mexico, Fernando Dominguez, b.cl

In Emptiness, Over Emptiness (1994) 12 min. sop.tape

Commissioned by the International Computer Music Association for their 1994 conference in Aarhus, Denmark First performance: Aarhus, Therese Costes, sop. Other performances: June 10, 1995, Klangart Festival, Osnabrück, Germany, Therese Costes, sop

Layerings (1993) 14 min. vib.tape Commissioned by Beverly Johnson (Canada Council) First performance: March 11, 1994, Music Gallery, Toronto, Beverly Johnson, vib

The First Sea (1988) 9 min. b.cl tape Commissioned by Lori Freedman (Manitoba Arts Council) First performance: February 25, 1989, Music Gallery, Toronto, Lori Freedman, b.cl. Other performances: June 2002, Festival Internacional de Arte Sonoro, Mexico City, Fernando Dominguez, b.cl

WIND ENSEMBLE

... far off, toward forgetting ... (2003) 10 min. 0.0.0.0 4.2.3.1 2perc Commissioned by the Saskatoon Symphony First performance: May 10, 2003, Saskatoon Symphony, Douglas Sanford, conductor

The Deeper Sky (2000) 11 min. picc fl1.2.ob1.2 bsn1.2 cl1.2.3 b.cl. eb c-a cl sax(satb) tpt1.2.3 hn1.2.3.4 tbn1,2,3 euph tuba 4perc Commissioned by the University of Manitoba Wind Ensemble (Manitoba Arts Council) First performance: April 4, 2001, Winnipeg, Fraser Linklater, conductor

Orchestrations

Sechs Mörike Lieder (2014) 13 min. 2222 2200 1perc strings soprano solo Commissioned by L'Orchestre de chambre de Montréal. First performance: March 17, 2015, Montréal, Wanda Kaluzny, conductor, Sarah Kirsch, soprano

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Vertical Garden – Released by Cero Records; performed by Alejandro Escuer – 2012

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The First Sea – Released by Centaur Records (USA) on their CDCM series; performed by Lori Freedman; produced by Michael Matthews – 1994

Songs of the Masked Dancers – Released by New Music Manitoba on the CD *Passage Through Time*; performed by Thira; produced by Randy Barnard – 1990

Fantasy – Released by the Manitoba Composers Association on the CD *Jeté*; performed by Victor Schultz; produced by Randy Barnard – 198