#### **OPUS 3 ARTISTS**

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## VOCES8

Andrea Haines, Eleonore Cockerham – Soprano Katie Jeffries-Harris, Barnaby Smith (dir.) – Alto Blake Morgan, Euan Williamson – Tenor Christopher Moore, Jonathan Pacey – Bass

## ENCHANTED ISLE

Sing Joyfully	WILLIAM BYRD (1543–1623)
Bogoroditse Devo	SERGEI RACHMANINOV (1873–1943)
Let My Love be Heard	JAKE RUNESTAD (b. 1986)
Love Endureth	ROXANNA PANUFNIK (b. 1968)
Drop, Drop, Slow Tears	ORLANDO GIBBONS (1583–1625)
The Deer's Cry	ARVO PÄRT (b. 1935)
Lux Aeterna	EDWARD ELGAR (1857–1934)
— Interval —	
Bourée	J.S. BACH arr. Ward Swingle (1685–1750)
Hymn to St Cecilia	BENJAMIN BRITTEN (1913–1976)
As Vesta Was from Latmos Hill Descending	THOMAS WEELKES (1576–1623)
Dessus le Marché D'Arras	ORLANDO DI LASSO (1532–1594)
Danny Boy	TRADITIONAL arr. Joshua Pacey
Underneath the Stars	KATE RUSBY arr. Jim Clements (b. 1973)
Caledonia	DOUGIE MacLEAN arr. Blake Morgan (b. 1954)
Moondance	VAN MORRISON arr. Alexander L'Estrange (b. 1945)

#### PROGRAM SUBJECT TO CHANGE

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### ENCHANTED ISLE

A Note on the Program

Rolling hills and green valleys, rugged mountainsides and hidden villages, a place where the wild and the cultivated sit side by side — the unique character of the land we call home has long been an inspiration for artists and musicians alike. Folk repertoire has been passed down through the years, a continuous cultural identity that is renewed by successive generations according to its own tastes and fashions.

*Enchanted Isle* casts a contemporary eye on this landscape. New arrangements of Scottish and Irish melodies sit alongside compositions set to texts by some of the greatest English poets. Music originally written for film or television is reimagined to create sonorities reminiscent of watercolour landscapes or carefully chiseled sculpture. We hope that the contrasting choral textures offered here evoke a range of imagery, from brush-stroked vistas to carved rocky outcrops, conveying a sense of both longing and of profound belonging.

"...telling old stories, singing songs, that make me thing about where I came from ... " - Dougie MacLean