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John W. White, director

Ford Hall
Monday, December 5th, 2016
8:15 pm
Program

Lady Bird
  Tadd Dameron
  *JVE Rhythm Section*

New York Afternoon
  Richie Cole
  arr. Rare Silk
  *Solos: Ginny Maddock, Kate Bobsein, Matt Moody*

Peace
  *Solos: Michael Stern, Lauren Thaete*
  Horace Silver
  arr. Michelle Weir

Me and Julio Down by the Schoolyard
  Paul Simon
  arr. Darmon Meader
  *Solos: Jeannette Lewis, Lindsey Weissman, Lauren Thaete*

Stolen Moments
  Oliver Nelson; Mark Murphy
  arr. Darmon Meader
  *Solos: Danielle Avicolli, Brandon Schneider, Lauren Thaete*
  *Improvisation solos TBA*

True Colors
  Billy Steinberg, Tom Kelly
  arr. Kelly Kunz and Amanda Taylor Kunz
  *Solos: Erin O'Rourke, Emily O'Connor*

Eleanor Rigby
  Lennon–McCartney
  arr. Haley Parker and John White
  *Haley Parker, solo*

On Green Dolphin Street
  Ned Washington, Bronislau Kaper
  arr. Martin Behnke
  *Jeannette Lewis, flute*
  *Improvisation solos TBA*

My Foolish Heart/Moth
  Ned Washington, Victor Young
  arr. Kerry Marsh

Joy!
  Gerry Niewood; Todd Buffa
  arr. Rare Silk
  *Solos: Lucas Manredi, Kelly Meehan, Ben Monacelli*
  *Improvisation solos TBA*

Shed a Little Light
  James Taylor
  arr. John White
  *Solos: Aquiala Walden, Stephen Rothhaar*
Inspiration

The Happy Virus
by Hafiz
I caught the happy virus last night
When I was out singing beneath the stars.
It is remarkably contagious—
So kiss me.

My Foolish Heart
by Ned Washington
The night is like a lovely tune;
Beware, my foolish heart.
How white, the ever constant moon;
Take care, my foolish heart.
There's a line between love and fascination
That's hard to see, on an evening such as this,
For they both give the very same sensation
When you're lost in the magic of a kiss.

In this world
by Kobayashi Issa
In this world
we walk on the roof of hell,
gazing at flowers.

Her lips, are much too close to mine;
Beware, my foolish heart.
But should our eager lips combine
Then let the fire start!
For this time, it isn't fascination
Or a dream that will fade and fall apart.
It's love this time, it's love my foolish heart.

An old silent pond
by Matsuo Basho (trans. Harry Behn)
An old silent pond...
A frog jumps into the pond,
splash! Silence again.

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we walk on the roof of hell,
gazing at flowers.

The Rose that Grew from Concrete
by Tupac Shakur
Did you hear about the rose that grew
from a crack in the concrete?
Proving nature's law is wrong it learned to walk without having feet.
Funny it seems, but by keeping it's dreams,
it learned to breathe fresh air.
Long live the rose that grew from concrete
when no one else ever cared.

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The Moon Was Once A Moth
by Rab’l’a of Basra (8th-century Sufi mystic)
The moon was once a moth who ran to her lover,
they embraced, and she ultimately passed away with such a smile everywhere on her body.

Over a period of time, her wings fell to the earth and sanctified the meadows. Angels came and buried the limbs that touched His mouth.

The moon was once a moth who ran to God, they entwined.
Now just her luminous soul remains and we gaze at it at night.

Touched By An Angel
by Maya Angelou
We, unaccustomed to courage exiles from delight live coiled in shells of loneliness until love leaves its high holy temple and comes into our sight to liberate us into life.

Love arrives and in its train come ecstasies old memories of pleasure ancient histories of pain. Yet if we are bold, love strikes away the chains of fear from our souls.

We are weaned from our timidity In the flush of love's light we dare be brave And suddenly we see that love costs all we are and will ever be.

Yet it is only love which sets us free.

From Strength To Love, 1963 by Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.
Darkness cannot drive out darkness; only light can do that.
Hate cannot drive out hate; only love can do that.
Personnel

Soprano  
Danielle Avicolli  
Jeannette Lewis  
Ginny Maddock  
Erin O’Rourke  
Lindsey Weissman

Saxophone: Lauren Thaete

Piano: Brooke Lawrence

Bass: Ryan Petriello

Drums: Dan Monte

Alto  
Kate Bobsein  
Kelly Meehan  
Emily O’Connor  
Haley Parker  
Michelle Shaubi  
Aquiala Walden

Tenor  
Ben Monacelli  
Stephen Rothhaar

Baritone & Bass  
Lucas Manfredi  
Matthew Moody  
Brandon Schneider  
Michael Stern

Select Upcoming Performances:

Friday, February 24, 2017, First Unitarian Society of Ithaca, 7:00pm  
- Jazz Without Borders

Saturday, April 22, 2017, 8:15pm, Ford Hall Auditorium  
- Spring Concert

Monday, July 31, 2017, 7:00pm, Ford Hall Auditorium  
- New York Voices Vocal Jazz Camp, opening concert