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**The Songs of**

**Richard Hundley**

David Parks, tenor  
Read Gainsford, piano

Hockett Family Recital Hall  
Monday, March 13, 2006  
7:00 p.m.

## Richard Hundley, composer

American composer Richard Hundley is best known and loved for his many concert songs, now performed by several generations of rising young artists. Frederica von Stade, Marilyn Horne, Renee Fleming, Jennifer Larmore, William Warfield, David Daniels, among others are internationally known artists who have performed his music. The composer was born in Cincinnati Ohio, raised in Kentucky, and resides in New York City. He attended the Cincinnati Conservatory of Music and continued his studies in New York with Israel Citkowitz, William Flanagan, and Virgil Thomson.

Hundley is one of only twelve composers recognized as a “standard American composer for vocalists” by the International American Music Competition sponsored by Carnegie Hall and the Rockefeller Foundation. His music is published by Boosey & Hawkes and distributed by Hal Leonard. His latest collection Ten Songs has been recently released.

In April 1999, Hundley was honored by the Joy in Singing Foundation, Paul Sperry, director, with an evening of the composer’s songs – 29 in all, plus a duet – which included the premiere of five songs commissioned by Joy In Singing.

Mr. Hundley’s songs are part of the vocal repertory in every major music school in the United States as well as leading music schools in Europe. He has given lectures and master classes on American song literature in general, and on his own music in particular, at: The Juilliard School, Manhattan School of Music, Mannes School of Music, New York University, Eastman School of Music, and the University of Michigan.

## I.

Sweet River	John Fletcher
Under the Greenwood tree	William Shakespeare
Weep No More	John Fletcher
Spring	William Shakespeare

## II.

Epitaph of a Young Girl	An Epitaph
Astronomers	An Epitaph
Isaac Greentree	An Epitaph
Epitaph on a Wife	An Epitaph

## III.

Evening Hours	James Purdy
Strings in the Earth and Air	James Joyce
For Your Delight	Robert Louis Stevenson

## IV.

seashore girls	e. e. cummings
White Fields	James Stephens
Maiden Snow	Kenneth Patchen
The Girls of Golden Summers	Philip Booth

## Intermission

V.

Some Sheep Are Loving  
O My Darling Troubles Heaven  
    With Her Loveliness  
Moonlights Watermelon

Gertrude Stein  
Kenneth Patchen  
  
Jose Garcia Villa

VI.

Straightway Beauty on Me Waits  
Waterbird  
Come Ready and See Me  
I do

James Purdy  
James Purdy  
James Purdy  
James Purdy

VII.

Sweet Suffolk Owl  
When Orpheus Played  
Ballad on Queen Anne's Death  
Arise My Love

Anonymous  
William Shakespeare  
Anonymous  
King Solomon