

Kamratōn presents:

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7:00 p.m. Sunday, March 10, 2019

Glitterbox Theater

460 Melwood Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA

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**Kamratōn Musicians**

Jennifer Sternick, violin

Cecilia Caughman, cello

Sarah Steranka, flutes

Emily Cook, clarinets

Anna Elder, soprano

**Program Notes**

Kamratōn is thrilled to be continuing its “She Scores” series celebrating the work for women composers and performers into its second season. She Scores 2019 invites audiences to explore the fullness of the natural world through the lens of growth and loss, the ordinary and the fantastical. Werntz sets a text by Dylan Thomas whose speaker is jealous of the wind that caresses its lover. Saariaho’s *Changing Light* meditates on transience and fragility in the face of nature’s grandeur. Kaminsky’s *The Full Range of Blue* is a sonic exploration of the hue’s presence in some of nature’s most powerful and most delicate manifestations. Written in the shadow of the September 11 terrorist attacks, it is also “blue” in feeling, mourning both the destruction of life and of the environment. Chin’s “Advice from a Caterpillar” is drawn her opera *Alice in Wonderland.* The titular caterpillar “speaks” through the bass clarinet presenting a soliloquy on change that is at once disturbing and humorous. Thomas’s *Silent Moon* paints not just a distant moon, perhaps, but also the interior of someone who might walk beneath it. Finally, Brown’s *Wild Apples*, receiving its world premiere tonight, is a true celebration of natural bounty and human freedom and imagination. Setting Thoreau’s imaginative depiction of a romp through a field of wild apples, Brown’s work revels in nature’s newness and freshness alongside unexpected, delightful encounters with the familiar.

Program

The Air You Breathe from *To You Strangers* (1996) Julia Werntz

Changing Light (2002) Kaija Saariaho

The Full Range of Blue (2001) Laura Kaminsky

1. Dawn: Mist Rising
2. Slate: Riverbed
3. Tundra/Waterfall
4. Lupines
5. Glacier
6. Stars in Still Night
7. Boulder/Avalanche
8. Aftermath: Ash (September 12)

-Intermission-

Advice from a Caterpillar (2007) (excerpt) Unsuk Chin

from *Alice in Wonderland*

Silent Moon (2006) Augusta Read Thomas

Wild Apples (2018) Elizabeth Brown