

SEATTLE PACIFIC UNIVERSITY  
MUSIC DEPARTMENT  
PRESENTS

# SENIOR RECITAL

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SARAH ALLEN, PIANO

WITH

JAMES LOFFINK, PIANO

JUSTICE SANDOZ, GUITAR

NICKERSON STUDIOS  
MONDAY MAY 20, 2024 | 7:30 P.M.

# PROGRAM

Dawn

Dario Marianelli (b.1963)

Intermezzo Op. 118

Johannes Brahms (1833- 1897)

*I. Allegro non assai, ma molto appassionato*

*II. Andante teneramente*

Waltz in C Sharp Minor, Op. 64, No.2

Frederic Chopin (1810- 1849)

The Swan

Camille Saint-Saens (1835- 1921)

Sarah Allen, 1st Piano

James Loffink, 2nd Piano

12 Romances, Op. 21, No. 5, Lilacs

Sergei Rachmaninoff (1873- 1943)

## PROGRAM NOTES



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Clair de Lune

Claude Debussy (1862- 1918)

Maple Leaf Rag

Scott Joplin (1868- 1917)

Arranged for four hands by Weekley and Arganbright

Sarah Allen, 1st Piano

James Loffink, 2nd Piano

Oh My Stars

Andrew Belle (b.1984)

Justice Sandoz, Vocals & Guitar

Sarah Allen, Piano

Honeybee

Jonathan Russell (b.1985)

The Head and the Heart

Justice Sandoz, Vocals & Guitar

Sarah Allen, Piano

*Thank you all for coming!*

# BIOGRAPHIES

**Sarah Allen** is a fourth-year student at SPU and is graduating this spring with a degree in nursing and with minors in Spanish and Honor's Liberal Arts. Music became an integral part of her life from an early age and she has now been playing the piano for seventeen years. She began taking piano lessons at a Suzuki method program and singing in a choir while living with her family in Cusco, Peru. After moving back to the United States, she studied piano under several different instructors before coming to SPU and studying with Dr. Namkung, Dr. Martin, and Dr. Dainius Vaičekonis. In middle school, she also started playing the viola and became part of the philharmonic orchestra which she participated in throughout high school. She loved the opportunity to make music with others on a larger scale. After graduation, while Sarah will begin to focus on her nursing career, she will continue to make music on her own and with friends, further pursuing the gifts God has given her and the joy it brings her. When she is not sitting at a piano bench, you can find Sarah outdoors and in the mountains, her happy place, pursuing one of her many outdoor adventure hobbies, or spending time with her wonderful community.

Sarah would like to thank Dr. Namkung and Dr. Vaičekonis for helping her cultivate her love for piano these past four years. She would also like to thank her friends for being here tonight and for all their love and support. And finally, she would like to thank her family for putting her in piano lessons so many years ago and reminding her who she is, whose she is, and loving her every step of the way.

**Justice Sandoz** has been dabbling in music since he was little more than a baby. However, he started getting into organized music in the sixth grade when he began to play trombone and baritone saxophone. Since then, he has developed his musical abilities with choir, musical theater, songwriting, and more. He loves to play anything he can get his hands on. At the moment, he is focused on becoming a better guitarist and singer through leading worship, working on his own songs, and making music with the people he loves.

**James Loffink** is a first year student at SPU currently pursuing a degree in music recording/studio production. He began taking private piano lessons in the third grade and never looked back from there. While classical piano may not be his absolute favorite genre to play, he acknowledges that it has helped to sharpen his ability to play with precision. He also enjoys learning piano covers of worship songs off of YouTube. He would like to thank his instructor, Dr. Vaičekonis, for investing in him as a college-level pianist, and Sarah for featuring him in her recital. He hopes everyone is blessed and inspired by the incredible music that will be performed tonight!

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