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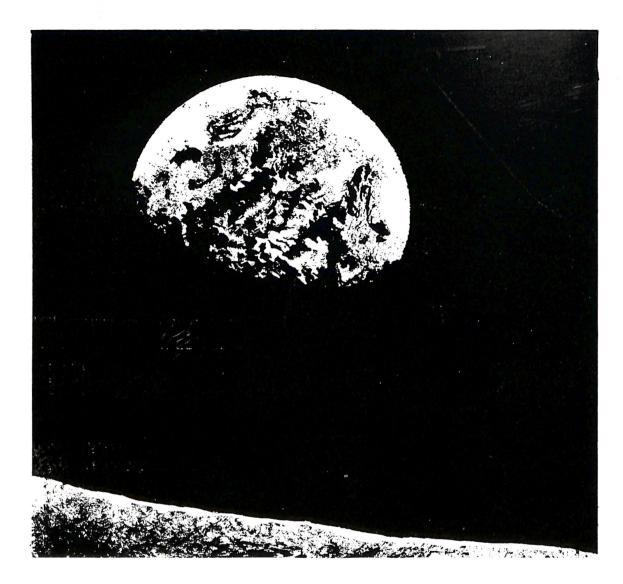
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at the MANOEL THEATRE

Monday, 5th April 1976





This group of musicians known as the Munich Nanet which was formed in 1960 with a view to explore the possibilities of sound combinations between strings and woodwind instruments are: Erich Keller (first violin), Karsten Heymann (second violin), Fritz Ruf (viola), Ulrich Bode ('cello), Herbert Duft (double-bass), Kurt Kalmus (cbce), Eduard Brunner (clarinet), Karl Kolbinger (bassoon) and Gottfried Langenstein (horn). They are leading members of the Broadcasting Symphony Orchestra Munchen.

The existence of the **Munich Nonet** has been a source of inspiration to many contemporary composers such as Genzmer, Egk, Orif, Buchtger, Bialas, Killmayer, Linke, Koetsier, Hessenberg and Erbse, all of thom have dedicated a composition to this German ensemble. Most of these works have by now been performed by this ensemble throughout four continents (Europe, Asia, Africa and America) in a total of over 500 concerts.

For one of its gramophone recordings dedicated to works by Mozart the Munich Nonet was in 1969, awarded the "Grand Prix du Disque".

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#### PROGRAMME

#### DIVERTIMENTO IN G MAJOR (HOB II G1)

**HAYDN** 

Allegro molto; Menuetto; Adagio; Menuetto; Presto.

The term 'divertimento' was, as we know, a peculiarly elastic one. Haydn himself applied it to anything and everything — piano solos, baryton trios, string quartets and concerted works for any number of instruments.

The Divertiment in G major which comes down to us from the second half of the 18th century is a work that speaks for its richness in form and substance. It is in five movements and expresses a vivid imagination of the 'divertimento'. The minuets are arranged on either side of the Adagio which is the centre movement. These in turn are surrounded by lively corner movements: an Allegro molto as the head movement arousing the interest and a concluding Presto.

**CAPRICCIO** 

**GENZMER** 

Allegro; Andante tranquillo; Vivace.

Harold Genzmer is one of the most significant German composers of the Hindemith school. His 'Capriccio' composed in 1962 which is being heard this evening has been performed 150 times by the Munic Nonet all over the world. The music of this short opus dedicated to this ensemble is rich in contrasts which, it is claimed, matches fully the composer's nature.

#### SERENATA CONCERTANTE IN G MAJOR OP. 38

**BOCCHERINI** 

Andantino amoroso; Menuetto; Allegro vivo.

The Serenata Concertante is a gay and attractive work of art. Luigi Boccherini's writing for the wind instruments contrasts beautifully and effectively with the strings which creates mere joy.

INTERVAL

OCTET IN F MAJOR OP. 166

SCHUBERT

Adagio - Allegro; Andante un poco mosso; Allegro vivace;

Andante - (variations); Menuetto, allegretto;

Andante molto - Allegro.

The Octet in six movements was written early in 1824, at the same time as two other of Schubert's most masterful chamber works the Quartets in A minor and D minor. It was the result of a commission by Ferdinand, Count Troyer of Vienna, a fine amateur clarinettist and it was first performed at that gentleman's residence in the early Spring of 1824.

The workmanship is exquisite in each of the six movements, which have a counterpart in the Beethoven Septet. How closely Schubert modelled his work on Beethoven's is suggested, if not shown, by the tempo indications of the corresponding movements. The only really significant difference in the overall plans is that Beethoven places his Minuet third and his Scherzo fifth, while Schubert reverses the positions. The Septet and the Octet may be remarkably alike as regards shape, form and instrumentation, but in substance they are quite different.

The expansive allegro that forms the main body of the first movement could not be more Schubertian. The second movement, in which the first violin hands over its dominating role to the clarinet is a wonderful example of the composer's melcdic inventiveness. In the Scherzo (Allegro vivace), Schubert, as so often in his instrumental music, piles on the excitement by getting the utmost meaning out of a simple rhythmic shape. For the variations that comprise the fourth movement, Schubert turned, as was his custom, to his own vocal music for a theme. In this case it comes from his operetta "D'e Freunde von Salamanka". The very attractive Minuet serves as an intermezzo separating the more intensely expressive variations from the powerful finale. Shortly before the end of the latter, the slow introduction returns unexpectedly in varied form and with strong dramatic effect.



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M.T.M.C. - KODALY STRING QUARTET - Monday, 12th at 7.30 p.m.

M.T.M.C. — ORCHESTRAL CONCERT SOLOISTS: ANNE BORG (PIANIST)
GIULIETTA BISAZZ (SOPRANO) — Tuesday, 20th April at 7.30 p.m.

M.T.M.C. IN ASSOCIATION WITH BARON YORK VON WENDLAND —
PIANO RECITAL BY RAINER VON ZASTROW — Friday, 23rd April at 7.30 p.m.

CHAMBER ORCHESTRA OF THE SCHOOL OF MUSIC — ORCHESTRAL CONCERT SOLOISTS: SVENTHA MASCHAT TANNEBERG (VIOLIN) HEINZ KRASCHL (VIOLA) — Monday, 26th April at 7.30 p.m.

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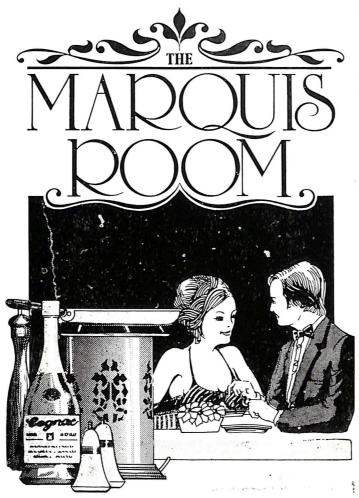
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