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### Charles W. Wright in a Faculty Recital

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The Ouachita Singers

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Ouachita Baptist University  
*School of Music*

presents

Charles W. Wright, *baritone*

assisted by

Virginia Queen, *pianist*  
and  
The Ouachita Singers

in

Faculty Recital

May 9, 1977

Mabee Fine Arts Center Recital Hall

Eight O'Clock P. M.

# Program

## I

### **Rastlose Liebe**

**Franz Schubert**  
(1797-1828)

I had rather suffer torments unending than to endure all the passions of living. Nothing can help me. Love is life's sweetest crown.

### **Allerseelen**

**Richard Strauss**  
(1864-1949)

A lover visits the grave of his dead loved one and asks that the loved one return once again to speak of love's rapture. He wishes to caress her hand as once he did in May.

### **Von ewiger Liebe**

**Johannes Brahms**  
(1833-1897)

A narrator sets the stage by telling of the darkness of the forest and the night as two lovers return home. The boy asks his lover if she is ashamed of their love. She says, "Our love will endure as strong as iron and steel."

## II

### **Vision fugitive**

**Jules Massenet**  
(1842-1912)

#### **from Herodiade**

Herod sings of his dream so fair, Salome, who is ever fleeing from his vision.

## III

### **Five Mystical Songs**

**Ralph Vaughn Williams**  
(1872-1958)

1. Easter
2. I Got Me Flowers
3. Love Bade Me Welcome
4. The Call
5. Antiphon

## IV

### Five Greek Folk Songs

Maurice Ravel  
(1875-1937)

#### 1. Chanson de la Mariée

Awake, little partridge, Greet the morning with open pinions. The three beauty spots put my heart on fire. Look at the golden ribbon which I bring you to tie around your hair. Let us get married, my love, if you will! In our two families all are related.

#### 2. Là-bas, vers l'église

Yonder, at the church, At the church of Ayio Sidero, The church, oh Blessed Virgin, The church of Ayio Costandino, Have come together, Have assembled in great numbers. People, oh Blessed Virgin, All of the bravest people.

#### 3. Quel galant m'est comparable

What dandy can compare with me, Of all those passing by? Won't you tell me, Vassiliki? Look at pistols and a sharp saber hanging on my belt...And 'tis you I love.

#### 4. Chanson des cueilleuses de lentisques

Oh joy of my soul, joy of my heart, Treasure so precious to me; Thou, whom I love ardently, Thou, more handsome than an angel. When thou appearest, angel so sweet, Before our eyes, like a beautiful blond angel in the bright sunlight, Alas, all our poor hearts sigh!

#### 5. Tout gai!

Very merrily, Ah, very merrily, Beautiful legs, tireli, dancing, Beautiful legs, even the dishes dancing. Tra la-la-la-la.

## V

### Eri tu che macchiave

Giuseppe Verdi  
(1813-1901)

#### from Un Ballo in Maschera

Renato sings in accusation and retribution of one who has stolen the heart of his loved one, Amelia. All the transports of love are over and longing for death fill his heart.

THE OUACHITA SINGERS

*SOPRANO*

Amy Anderson  
Sherri Benton  
Rosalind McClanahan  
Sheri McMullan  
Susan Shambarger  
Martha Jane Smith  
Teresa Trull

*TENOR*

Marc Bremer  
David Hays  
George Mann  
John Peebles  
Brad Rountree

Ron Davis, Accompanist

*ALTO*

Angela Barfield  
Barbara Bradford  
Carolyn Hansen  
Beverly Primm  
Shawn Shannon  
Angie Tipton  
Martha Vastine

*BASS*

Doug Anderson  
David DeArmond  
George Mayo  
Don Parks  
Dickie Smith  
Clay Vire  
Craig Vire  
David Williamson  
Scott Willis

The Ouachita Singers are being conducted by David Williamson.

*Usher*

Kimberly Wright