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**THE
BICENTENNIAL
CONTEMPORARY
AMERICAN MUSIC
SERIES:**



Menlo Park Council Chambers, Civic Center, Laurel Ave.- Mielke Dr.

PRESENTED BY THE MENLO PARK HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION

AND THE MENLO PARK ARTS COMMISSION

OCTOBER 10, 1976, 2:30 pm

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OFFICIAL WELCOME ALAN BARKIN, MD
VICE CHAIRMAN
MENLO PARK ARTS COMMISSION

SHORT MUSICAL PROFILE OF HENRY DIXON COWELL (1897- 1965)
FLORENCE WHITE UNDERWOOD
PROGRAM DIRECTOR

THREE PIANO PIECES CHRIS BROWN, PIANIST

ANTIMONY
DYNAMIC MOTION
TIGER

(THESE SHORT EARLY PIECES ILLUSTRATE COWELL'S "TONE CLUSTERS", IN WHICH LARGE BUNCHES OF NOTES ARE PLAYED WITH THE WHOLE HAND, FIST, OR FOREARM.)

FOUR SONGS

FRANCES HERLIHY KUMP, SOPRANO
JUDITH MITCHELL, PIANO

ST. AGNES MORNING (WORDS BY MAXWELL ANDERSON, MUSIC COURTESY OF THEODORE PRESSER, BRYN MAWR, PA)

SPRING POOLS

THE PASTURE (WORDS FOR BOTH SONGS BY ROBERT FROST, MUSIC COURTESY OF MRS. COWELL)

FIRELIGHT AND LAMP (WORDS BY GENE BARO; DEDICATED TO SINGER THEODORE UPPMAN, A FORMER RESIDENT OF MENLO PARK).

THREE PIANO PIECES JUDITH MITCHELL, PIANO

AEOLIAN HARP
BANSHEE

THE TIDES OF MENANUAN

(THESE PIECES DEMONSTRATE COWELL'S INSIDE THE PIANO TECHNIQUE. TODAY'S PERFORMANCE OF THE LATTER TWO PIECES IS DEDICATED TO ANGELA KIEFER OF MENLO PARK, WHOSE MOTHER USED TO LET THE YOUNG COMPOSER PRACTICE ON HER PIANO; POSSIBLY THESE WORKS WERE CONCEIVED DURING THAT EARLY PERIOD.)

INTERMISSION . .

SPEAKER OF THE DAY LOU HARRISON, COMPOSER
"HENRY DIXON COWELL - TEACHER, FRIEND AND COLLEAGUE"

QUINTET FOR WOODWINDS, MENLO PARK WOODWIND QUINTET
FOUR SHORT MOVEMENTS

BALLADE
JEAN WEAR, FLUTE
DALE HENDRY, CLARINET
PAUL DECARLI, BASSOON
ANNE DECARLI, OBOE
STEVE WALTON, FRENCH HORN

"MOZAIC" STRING QUARTET IRVING QUARTET
KRISTA BENNION, VIOLIN
HEIDI YENNEY, VIOLIN
SARA MULLEN, VIOLA
WENDY HENDRICK, CELLO
(SCORE COURTESY OF THE STANFORD MUSIC LIBRARY)

SPRING AT SUMMER'S END UNIVERSITY WOMEN'S CHORUS
PATRICIA HENNINGS, DIRECTOR

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PRESENTATION OF A BRONZE PLAQUE OF HENRY COWELL.
THIS TRIBUTE IS MADE POSSIBLE BY A BICENTENNIAL GRANT FROM THE
EXXON CORPORATION TO THE NATIONAL MUSIC COUNCIL.

THERE WILL BE A RECEPTION AT THE GATEHOUSE FOLLOWING THE CONCERT.

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THIS AFTERNOON'S PROGRAM IS PART OF THE MUSIC WEST MONTH -
LONG CELEBRATION OF CONTEMPORARY 20TH CENTURY MUSIC BY WEST
COAST COMPOSERS.

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