ABSTRACT

Title of Dissertation:

THE MANY FACES OF PAUL HINDEMITH

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The purpose of this project is to present selected violin pieces by Paul Hindemith (1895-1963) against a backdrop of the diverse styles and traditions that he integrated in his music.

For this dissertation project, selected violin sonatas by Hindemith were performed in three recitals alongside pieces by other German and Austro-German composers. These recitals were also recorded for archival purposes.

The first recital, performed with pianist David Ballena on December 10, 2005, in Gildenhorn Recital Hall at the University of Maryland, College Park, included *Violin Sonata Op. 11, No. 1* (1918) by Paul Hindemith, *Sonatina in D Major, Op. 137* (1816) by Franz Schubert, and *Sonata in E-flat Major, Op. 18* (1887) by

Richard Strauss. The second recital, performed with pianist David Ballena on May 9, 2006, in Gildenhorn Recital Hall at the University of Maryland, included *Sonata in E Minor, KV 304* (1778) by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, *Sonata in E* (1935) by Paul Hindemith, *Romance for Violin and Orchestra No.1 in G Major* (1800-1802) by Ludwig Van Beethoven, and *Sonata for Violin and Piano in A minor, Op. 105* (1851) by Robert Schumann. The third recital, performed with David Ballena and Kai-Ching Chang on November 10, 2006 in Ulrich Recital Hall at the University of Maryland, included *Violin Sonata Op.12 No.1 in D Major* (1798) by Ludwig Van Beethoven, *Sonata for Violin and Harpsichord No.4 in C Minor BWV 1017* (1720) by J.S. Bach, and *Violin Sonata Op.11 No.2* (1918) by Paul Hindemith.

For each of my dissertation recitals, I picked a piece by Hindemith as the core of the program then picked pieces by other composers that have similar key, similar texture, same number of movements or similar feeling to complete my program. Although his pieces used some classical methods of composition, he added his own distinct style: extension of chromaticism; his prominent use of interval of the fourth; his chromatic alteration of diatonic scale degrees; and his non-traditional cadences. Hindemith left behind a legacy of multi-dimensional, and innovative music capable of expressing both the old and the new aesthetics.

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	David Ballena, Piano		
	Paul Hindemith (1895-1963)		
[1]-[2]	Violin Sonata op.11 no.1	09:50	
	Erster Teil		
	Zweiter Teil		
	Franz Schubert (1897-1828)		
[3]-[5]	Sonatina in D Major op. 137	13:00	
	I. Allegro molto		
	II. Andante		
	III. Allegro vivace		
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CD 2:	Szu-Ying Wang Dissertation Recital II		
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	Szu-Ying Wang, Violin		
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CD3: Szu-Ying Wang Dissertation Recital III The many faces of Paul Hindemith Nov 10th, 2006 Ulrich Recital Hall University of Maryland, College Park Recorded and Mastered by Opusrite ™ Audio Productions Szu-Ying Wang, Violin David Ballena, Piano Kai-Ching Chang, Piano Ludwig Van Beethoven (1770-1827) Violin Sonata No.1 D Major, op.12/1 18:00 [1]-[3] I. Allegro con brio II. Tema con varizioni III. Rondo. Allegro Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750) [4]-[6] Sonata for Violin and Harpsichord 15:35 No.4 in c minor BWV1017 I. Largo II. Allegro III. Adagio IV. Allegro Paul Hindemith (1895-1963) [7]-[9] Sonata for Violin and Piano op. 11 No. 2 20:00 I Erster Teil Lebhaft II Zweiter Teil Ruhig und gemessen IIIDritter Teil Im Zeitmaß und Charakter eines geschwinden Tanzes Frich und stets bewegt

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