A CARILLON STUDIO RECITAL
Sunday, April 19, 2009
3:00 p.m.
Century Tower

PROGRAM

Preludio No. 9 in F Major
Matthias van den Gheyn
(1721-1785)
ed. Barnes

CHRISTINA HEDDIESHEIMER

Poor Wayfaring Stranger
American Folk Song
arr. Hart

Menuett
Franz Joseph Haydn
(1732-1809)

RACHEL LIN

Gaudi’s Chimneys
John Courter
I. The Undulating Chimneys of Casa Batlló
(b. 1941)
III. The Geometric Chimneys of Güell Palace

GLORIA TAVERA

C’est le Mai, joli Mai
French Folksong
arr. Hart

Three Short Pieces
Gary White
I. Étude
(b. 1937)

DANIELLE GRETZ

Suite for Carillon
Mary Jeanne van Appledorn
II. Saraband
(b. 1927)
III. Toccata

HAROLD ROCHA

Second Suite for Carillon
Hilton J. Rufty
II. The Music Box
(1909-1974)

INGRID SCHULZ

J’entends le Moulin
French-Canadian Folksong
arr. Allard

Sarabande
Ronald Barnes
(1927-1997)

MELISSA GARCIA
Sonata III in C Major, K. 545

I. Allegro
II. Andante
III. Rondo

W.A. Mozart (1756-1791)

trans. Buchanan

Primo – GAYLE LINWOOD
Secundo – BENJAMIN WASMUTH

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The Sunday Afternoon Concert Series continues with recitals on May 17 (Lee Cobb, Guest Artist), June 21 (Amy Johansen, Guest Artist), July 19 (Carol McCoy, Guest Artist), and August 16 (Laura Ellis, University Carillonneur) at 3:00 p.m. The carillon is performed daily while classes are in session from 12:35 to 12:50 p.m. The regular daily series will conclude on Wednesday, April 22. From Monday, April 27 thru Friday, May 1 the carillon will be performed daily from 12:05 – 12:25 p.m.

2009 marks the 30th anniversary year of the installation the bells in Century Tower. First performed on May 14, 1979, the carillon has become a part of the daily life of the university. Please join us in celebrating “Music from the Tower!”

For more information about carillon performances, please visit the carillon website: www.arts.ufl.edu/carillon

About the Carillon

Century Tower, a monument constructed in 1953 in memory of students killed in World War I and World War II, houses a cast-bell carillon. By definition, a carillon must have at least 23 fixed, finely tuned bells. The Century Tower Carillon has 61 bells, encompassing a range of 5 octaves, and is one of the largest university carillons in the United States. There are fewer than 200 carillons in all of North America, and only four can be found in the state of Florida.

The carillon is played by hand from a clavier or keyboard, with 61 keys (called “batons”) for the hands as well as 25 pedals for the feet, in a small room just below the bell chamber. The carillonneur moves the clappers of the bells with the batons and pedals while the bells remain stationary.

Through the efforts of Professor Emeritus Willis Bodine, the world-class carillon housed in Century Tower was purchased for approximately $200,000 with funds accumulated from student fees over several generations of students. These funds were earmarked by the Board of Regents and the Legislature for campus improvements in the performing arts. The carillon purchase was endorsed unanimously by the Student Senate in 1976.

The original 49 bells housed on the top floor of the tower were cast in 1978 by the firm of Koninklijke Eijsbouts (Royal Dutch Bell Foundry) of Asten, The Netherlands. The bronze bells were tuned at the foundry by carefully shaving metal from the interior of the bells and will never need retuning. The bells are hung individually from stainless steel bolts on a massive steel frame. The largest bell, the “bourdon,” stands five feet tall, is five feet in diameter and weighs about 7,000 pounds.
A $450,000 gift from the estate of Larry A. Webb of St. Augustine, FL, made possible major upgrading of the carillon in 2002. The renovation, carried out by Eijsbouts, included the installation of 12 additional bells (for a total of 61), improvements in the playing action, and new performance and practice claviers.