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Musical Play in One Act

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Libretto by Franc-Nohain
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## "Sophie Arnould" Cast

Sophie Arnould, an opera singer	Virginia Sheffield
Babet, her maid	Brennan Martinez*
Le Comte de Lauraguais (Dorval), her former lover	Lawrence Hall

\*Guest Alumna

## "L'heure espagnole" Cast

Torquemada, a clockmaker	Kameron Alston
Concepción, Torquemada's wife	Margaret Ann Zentner
Gonzalve, a student poet	Logan Webber
Ramiro, a muleteer	Scott Lee
Don Iñigo Gomez, a banker	André Peele

#### **ORCHESTRA**

# "Sophie Arnould" Music by Gabriel Pierné James Allbritten, conductor Reduced Orchestration by James Allbritten

Violin Cello

Ruth Kelley, concertmaster

Heather Blake

Viola

Jessie Burdette

Josie Greenwald **Double Bass**David Wintermute

"L'heure espagnole"

Music by Maurice Ravel

James Allbritten, conductor

Reduced Orchestration by Jonathan Lyness

Violin Piano

Ruth Kelley, concertmaster

Bassoon

Kayleigh Bagley

Harp

Grace Ludtke

Caroline Barclift Hayes

Percussion

Austin Martin

Dante Thomas

Scenic Designer

Lighting Designer

"Sophie Arnould"
Costume Designer

Em Chesney

"L'heure esagnole"

Costume Designer

Designer

Vinnie Gartland

Maureen Wynne

Maureen Wonne

Wighting Designer

Yuko Taniguchi

Em Chesney

Technical Director
Vinnie Gartland

Properties Director Scenic Charge Production Stage
Katie Pulling Rachel Williams

Manager

Maria Bella DiVittorio

Supertitle Operator

Brayden Pilson, Nic See, Mara Trefzger

Sarah Penland Nancy E. Goldsmith Mary Ann Bills

Supertitles

**Production Manager** 

Assistant Production Manager......Jess Holcombe Stage Manager.....Lindsey Cope Assistant Stage Manager......Stephanie Brown Production Assistant......Sydney Knowland Scenic Design Assistants.......Gisela Estrada, Jessica Scott Scenic Design Studio Assistant.......Houston Odom Assistant Lighting Designer......Taylor Gordon Costume Design Assistants......Jemima Firestone Greville, Erin Justice Assistant Wig and Makeup Designer......Amelia Brown Assistant Technical Director......Sam Santoianni Assistant Properties Director......Brooke Downing, Allison Sorkin Sound Engineer......Sandy Garcia Deck Sound Engineer......Abi Senthil Sound Assistant.....Elizabeth Copenhaver Wig and Makeup Shop Manager......Rose Eubanks Wig and Makeup Shop Manager......Izzy Cosen Wig and Makeup Build Crew......Amelia Brown, Kenzie Buindo Whitney Cline, Courtney Kakac

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Wig and Makeup Run CrewAmelia Brown, Kenzie Buindo
Whitney Cline, Abbey Jones
Courtney Kakac, Dustin Kirby
Brayden Pilson, Mara Trefzger
Scenic Crew ChiefsCris George, Patrick Hearn
CarpentersChase Dietrich, Chai Freedman, James Rice
Kris Spersrud, Kylie Wagner
FlymanCris George, Patrick Hearn
Scenic and Properties Run CrewCatelynn Adams, Valerie Bashford
Jack Covitz, Cris George, Patrick Hearn
Riley Lange, Isabella Tapia
Maya Batshoun, Lucas Becker
Production ElectricianParker Battle
Head ElectricianLauren Lee
Lighting ProgrammerHunter McCune
Head Front LightJacob Grebber
Front Light OperatorJustin Seithel, Trevor Kirschenheiter
ElectriciansAndrew Beauregard, Garrett Deutsch, Izzy Flores
Sara Green, Abigail Hall, George Meltzer
Evie Nootenboom, Harrison Reid, Dominick Riches
Justin Seithel, Liz Shekhterman-Baklar
Ashley Spear, Elijah Thomas
Lead Properties ArtisanEmma "Tommy" Thomas
Properties ArtisansKatie "KitKat" Gallegos, Tyler Offner, Jack Covitz
Jacy Taylor, Mahalet Andargachew, Anna Baldwin
Valerie Bashford, Anna Bowdish, Nat Carreiro
Alex Drake, Tatum Eyre, Praveer Gangwani
Mak Jordan, Josh Lawson, Olivia Miller, Daniel Pooley
Cayman Raff, Emma Smith
Lead PainterAnah Galinski

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Painters......Tess Crabtree, Carson Davis, Lauren Eckard
McKenna Farlow, Johanna Fleischer, Audrey Harms
Abrianna Harmon, Sarah Hayes, Jasmine Hernandez
Olivia Hill, Spencer Kilpatrick, Renae Losee
Izzie Miller, Leo Murphy, Gabby Nunez
Clara Rimes, Olivia Venable, Amanda Wils

#### Special Thanks to Susan Crabtree

#### For "Sophie Arnould"

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Assistant Costume Shop Manager	Jocelyn DuBose
Costume Design Assistant	Erin Justice
Draper	Lily Mateus, Jenna Travis
First Hand	Zoe Gilreath, Liv Alicandri
StitchersAnna Burg	ess, Adriaen Hobgood, Marquita Horton
Ab	bey Maruyama, Maki Niikura, Kira Miller
	Ella Moffly, Madi Pattillo, Megan Peck
Bray	yden Pilson, KC Paulson, Jenn Sommers
	Mara Trefzger, Will Wharton
	Whitney Fabre, Cassie Sisson
Master Stitcher	Karen Milla
Craft Head	Willow Kearns Stanley
Craft Assistant	Jennifer Smith
Wardrobe Supervisor	Erin Justice
WardrobeJem	nima Firestone Greville, Marquita Horton
	Will Wharton, Marie Lupia

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#### For "L'heure espagnole"

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Costume Design AssistantJemima Fi	restone Greville
DraperMarie Lupia, Maggie Tennan	it, Nicole Angell
First HandJohnna Presk	oy, Maya Patrick
Andrew Sen	n, Melissa Thurn
StitchersAnna Burgess, Ac	Iriaen Hobgood
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Marie Lup	ia, Will Wharton
Live StreamJeremiah McLamb, JerF	ilm Production

#### "Sophie Arnould" Synopsis

The curtain rises on a drawing room of the Luzarches priory in the late afternoon of September 18, 1798. Sophie is writing to her son, who is in the army of the Rhine, entreating him to beware of women. She is surprised to have a visit from Count de lanuraguais who, under the name of Dorval, had years earlier had carried her off from her parent's home. The former lovers recall their passion of times past.

Each knows that the passing of time is inexorable, and Sophie says love, seen from the threshold of old age, is "like a garden of delights seen from bars of prison." Dorval will soon realize that he is father of Sophie's son, and their passion evolves into tender affection for the son who represents a living link to times gone by. Sophie realizes that the passion she and Dorval are feeling is an illusion and that once Dorval leaves, she will go back to her solitude and obscurity. After Dorval leaves, she resumes her letter writing, but instead of telling her son to beware of women, she begs him to take pity on them.

#### "L'heure espagnole" Synopsis

Torquemada, a Spanish Clockmaker, seated in front of his shop when Ramiro, a muleteer in the government employ, enters to have his watch repaired. While Torquemada is working on the watch, Concepción, his wife, comes in to remind him that he has forgotten his regular weekly task, that of regulating the municipal clocks. He leaves in haste, asking Ramiro to wait for his watch until he returns.

Concepción, very much disturbed by Ramiro's remaining in the shop, is thinking about how to get rid of him as she is awaiting Gonzalve, an ardent admirer of hers. There are two large Catalan clocks in the shop, which Concepción has been anxious to get for her own room. She decides to make use of Ramiro by getting him to carry one of the clocks into her room, thereby getting rid of him for some time so that she can remain alone with Gonzalve. Ramiro leaves with the clock on his shoulder just as Gonzalve enters.

Gonzalve begins to recite poetry to Concepción, and to get him up into her room without Ramiro's knowledge, she hides him in the other clock. When Ramiro returns, she sends him back for the first clock to make room for the clock in which Gonzalve is hiding. Ramiro goes back and forth from the shop to her room with the clocks on his shoulder, without uttering a word of protest, and Concepción marvels at his patience and admires his strength very much.

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#### **Amadeus and Brandenburg Ensembles**

Friday, May 14, 2021 | 7:30 p.m. Livestream from Stevens Center

Vaughan Williams' popular "Variations on a Theme" by Thomas Tallis is performed by the Amadeus Players with Karen Ní Bhroin conducting. The Brandenburg ensemble performs Elgar's Serenade and Handel's "Concerto Grosso Opus 6, No. 8" with faculty artist Dmitri Shteinberg leading from the harpsichord. The Wind Undecet begins the program with UNCSA founding faculty member and bassoon artist Mark Popkin's arrangement of Brahms' famous "Variations on a Theme" by Haydn conducted by Mark A. Norman

#### Season Finale: Beethoven to Copland!

Saturday, May 15, 2021 | 7:30 p.m. Livestream from Stevens Center

Beethoven's Symphony #1 transcribed for Harmonie Ensemble by Beethoven's protégé, Georg Schmitt is performed by the UNCSA Chamber Winds conducted by Mark A. Norman. Associate conductor Karen Ní Bhroin leads the UNCSA Chamber Orchestra in Aaron Copland's epic "ppalachian Spring."

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