Georgia College Department of Music

Guest Artist Recital

"Sonata Form: Innovation and Ingenuity"

Caleb Esmond, piano

Thursday, Jan. 12, 2023, 7:30 P.M. Max Noah Recital Hall



Program

Prelude and Fugue in E major from WTC II, BWV 878	J.S. Bach (1685–1750)
Sonata No. 9 in D major, K. 311 I. Allegro con spirito II. Andante con espressione III. Rondo. Allegro	W.A. Mozart (1756–1791)
Sonatine I. Modéré II. Mouvement de menuet III. Animé	Maurice Ravel (1875–1937)

BRIEF INTERMISSION

Sonata No. 2 in B-flat minor, Op. 35

- I. Grave Doppio movimento
- II. Scherzo
- III. Marche funèbre: Lento
- IV. Presto

Etude in C-sharp minor, Op. 10 No. 4

Frederic Chopin (1810–1849)

Biography

Caleb Esmond is pursuing his M.M. in Piano Performance and Pedagogy with Dr. Cahill Smith at Utah State University. He was awarded a graduate teaching assistantship and the 2022 Caine College of the Arts Graduate Talent Award. Aside from his studies, he teaches undergraduate theory and piano classes, private undergraduate and Youth Conservatory students. While studying at Mercer University in Macon, Georgia for his B.M. in Piano Performance, Caleb was awarded first place in the Georgia Music Teachers Association Upper College Concerto Competition and placed first in both the 2019 and 2020 GMTA Piano Auditions. He was president of the Mercer University Chapter of the international music fraternity Mu Phi Epsilon and won the Sterling Senior Excellence Award in 2021. Upon graduating from Mercer, Caleb was awarded for Academic and Performance Excellence. He performs in masterclasses regularly, most recently for Gabriela Montero, Steven Osborne, Yakov Kasman, and Marina Lomazov. He enjoys playing in jazz combos as well as composing. This year, he placed first in the UMTA composition competition and third in the MTNA composition competition in Utah. Known for his ability to improvise, Caleb released his album *Hymn Contemplations* in 2019 which includes improvisations on some of his favorite hymns. Passionate about music education, Caleb performed in the Gina Bachauer Foundation Music in Our Schools outreach program this past spring. This fall, he is applying to D.M.A. programs as it is his goal to pass on his love for classical music through performing and teaching. In his free time, Caleb enjoys playing chess, practicing his Victor Borge impressions, and listening to the recently discovered composer, P.D.Q. Bach.

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