COMPOSITION FORUM

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The University of Oklahoma

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Class Time: 2:30-3:20 Th

Class Location: CMC 015

Course Description

Composition Forum is a weekly opportunity for the entire composition department to meet, share music and ideas, present newly-completed works as well as works-in-progress, and to discuss issues inherent in being a creative artist in the twenty-first century.

Literature Exam

You will be expected to study, on your own, several works from the past 100 years and be able to aurally and visually recognize and briefly discuss these works. There will be an exam at the end of the semester as well as a mid-semester discussion of these works. Scores and recordings will be on reserve in the Fine Arts Library's Media Resource Center.

FALL 2005 LITERATURE LIST

Igor Stravinsky Histoire Du Soldat
Sergei Prokofiev Piano Concerto No. 3
Béla Bartók Music for Strings, Percussion and Celeste
Aaron Copland Appalachian Spring
John Cage Concerto for Prepared Piano and Chamber Orchestra
Benjamin Britten War Requiem
George Crumb Black Angels
Jonathan Harvey Mortuos Plango, Vivo Voco
Steve Reich Different Trains
Michael Torke Ash
Thomas Adès Asyla

Attendance/Grading Policy

All undergraduate and graduate composers enrolled in applied composition are required to attend Composition Forum. This course is a co-requisite with your composition lesson and will count as 10% of your final composition grade.

Successful completion of Composition Forum requires weekly attendance, participation in classroom discussion, and passing the final literature exam. There are no unexcused absences; all absences must be cleared with Dr. Deemer & Mr. Haek before class.

Any student in this course who has a disability that may prevent him or her from fully demonstrating his or her ability should contact us personally as soon as possible so we can discuss accommodations necessary to ensure full participation and facilitate your educational opportunities.

It is the policy of the University to excuse absences of students that result from religious observances and to provide for the rescheduling of examinations and additional required class work that may fall on religious holidays.

Calendar

August 25 Introduction

September 1 The Music of Jonathan Haek September 8 The Music of Rob Deemer

September 15 Topic (Haek)

September 22 The Music of Lance Hulme

September 29 Guest Lecturer: Scot Jenerik, Fire-Breathing Instruments

October 6 Topic (Deemer)
October 13 Topic (Haek)

October 20 Mid-Semester Literature Discussion

October 27 Topic (Deemer)

November 3 Graduate Student Presentation
November 8 Student Composers Recital

November 10 Concert De-Briefing

November 15 Visiting Composer: Laura Schwendinger

November 17 Graduate Student Presentation

November 24 THANKSGIVING
December 1 Presentation TBA

December 8 FINAL LITERATURE EXAM (1:30-3:30pm)

Suggested Concerts

Monday, August 29	8 pm	Clara O'Brien, soprano	Pitman
Tuesday, September 27	8 pm	Orchestra Concert	Sharp
Thursday, September 29	9 pm	Scot Jenerik, fire-breathing instrument	Courtyard
Tuesday, October 4	8 pm	Wind Symphony & Symphony Band	Sharp
Friday, October 14	8 pm	New Century Ensemble	Pitman
Tuesday, November 8	8 pm	Student Composers Recital	Pitman
Monday, November 21	8 pm	Wind Symphony & Symphony Band	Sharp
Monday, December 5	8 pm	Orchestra Concert	Sharp