Vatnaskil

Hugarfljótið hefur skolað mér

á þurrt. Úr kallfæri. Undir nýjum

Undir nýjum himni.

Og ég sái í nýjan akur.

Dagliljan

Nú glitrar morgunsólin í krónu dagliljunnar. Hún sem er í senn brunnur sem fyllist og bikar sem tæmist

hvern nýjan dag.

Watershed (Vatnaskil)

A flood of thoughts has washed me

ashore.

Out of earshot Beneath a new

sky.

And now I plant In an untouched field

Daylilies (Dagliljan)

The morning sun glitters on the crown of a daylily. A wellspring that fills and a cruet that empties each day.

Upcoming Tufts Composers Concerts

Robert Black: Insomniac Do's and Don'ts

Tuesday, December 3, 8:00pm Distler Performance Hall, Granoff Music Center



Department of Music Presents



Friday, November 15, 2019 at 12:00 p.m.
Distler Performance Hall



Tufts University Department of Music Presents

Tufts Composers - New@Noon: How to Let Things Fall Apart

Featuring Music by Tufts Composers Dan Berkowitz, Jeannette Chechile, Andrew Daetz, Tucker Donelan, Wen Gao, Yasaman Ghodsi, Niki Glenister, Lucas Loaiza, Caleb Martin-Rosenthal, Charlotte Nanteza, Stephanie Rifkin, and Joseph Rondeau

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PROGRAM

Class Dismissed (Part 1) Andrew Daetz

Electronic Track

63514 Yasaman Ghodsi A piano piece for beginners. Each number is the indicator of a Gregorian (church) mode:

6: Locrian 3: Phrygian 5: Aeolian 1: Ionian 4: Mixolydian

Joseph Rondeau

Work Five Jeannette Chechile

Omission of Life

Composition With 6ths Lucas Loaiza

John McDonald, piano

Enumerations, for piano duet Niki Glenister

Wen Gao and John McDonald, piano

Thousands Caleb Martin-Rosenthal

Electronic Track

Two Poems of Magnus Sigurdsson Tucker Donelan

Tucker Donelan, baritone: Matthew Diamond, electric bass

63514 Dan Berkowitz

Pause. Stephanie Rifkin

John McDonald, piano

Fairy Fall Charlotte Nanteza

Julia Moss, viola; John McDonald, piano

Endless Rain Wen Gao

John McDonald, piano

Class Dismissed (Part 2)

Andrew Daetz

Electronic Track with Dan Berkowitz, Andrew Daetz, Max Luo, Joseph Rondeau, trombones

Prompt (Why We Made These Pieces) and Texts

Write Now (A Composing Exercise)

How Things Fall Apart I: Sidewalk Marking—Thread To Unknit/Unravel

You are walking along a sidewalk and come across orange numbers sprayed on a place to be excavated. 63514.

It is a sign. You are to write a piece of music using these numbers. But what do they signify?

Intervals? Intensities/dynamics? High/Low? Number of repetitions of notes or phrases—of something? Pitch class sets? A five-line syllabic poem to set to music or recite in specific rhythms? A secret combination that will set your music free after intoning the combo?

You decide the significance, but must use the five digits (or maybe it's simply one big number 63, 514) in some structural or importantly determining way.

Your music should be playable on something found in Room M251—the piano, anything else in the room, electronic media in your possession, an instrument played by someone else in the room.

Your piece may take any "playable" form: an instruction score for people or instruments employed; a traditionally notated piece on music paper; an electronic soundscape; a text piece for spoken word (or singing) performers. Etc. Etc.

ONCE YOU'VE DEVISED YOUR 63514 MUSIC, PLAN AND EXECUTE ITS DEMISE, DISINTEGRATION, DISSIPATION, OR DISSOLUTION. HOW WILL THIS HAPPEN MUSICALLY? HOW WILL IT UNDO WHAT HAS BEEN ACCOMPLISHED? HOW WILL THE (IMAGINED) LISTENER BE TRANSPORTED, DISAPPOINTED, OR OTHERWISE MOVED?

The piece can/should be as long or short as the composing time allotted permits. 1'-2'?

Your piece can stand alone, or may be used in combination with other contributions.

Enjoy writing and unraveling! Now.