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## presents VAUDENE HOWELL PENDARVIS, Organ B.A. Kansas State University, 1975

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#### DANIEL LINDBLOM, Percussion

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All Faiths Chapel

8:00 p.m.

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#### **PROGRAM**

Prelude and Fugue in G Minor Nicolaus Bruhns (1665-1697)
Andante in F Major, K. 616
Toccata and Fugue in F Major, BWV 540 Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)
Scherzo, Opus 2
Pièce Heroique
INTERMISSION
Black Host (1967) For Organ, Percussion, and Tape

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# LECTURE RECITAL J.S. BACH: SIX SCHUBLER CHORALES

A STUDY IN TRANSCRIPTION GENIUS

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Within the last four years of his life, Johann Sebastian Bach sent a collection of six short compositions for two clavier and pedal to Johann George Schübler, a friend and pupil, who subsequently published them. These pieces were transcriptions for organ of previously composed cantata ritornello arias by Bach himself. The original title, when translated into English, is "Six Chorales of Various Sorts" but the collection is most often referred to as the "Six Schübler Chorales." These six brief works are prime examples of Bach's mature compositional style of borrowing from previously composed material and ingeniously reworking it to be idiomatic for a totally different ensemble or instrument.

This lecture recital explores the importance of the "Six Schubler Chorales" through the presentation of the history, transmittal, and preservation of the extant copies of the work, the compositional processes illustrated in Bach's art of transcription, and the Baroque performance practices involved in performing the transcriptions. Details are explained and illustrated concerning the Doctrine of Affections vocabulary Bach used in these works. Organ performance practice is discussed illustrating Bach's transitional fingering and the use of all-toe pedaling.

This lecture recital ends with a performance of the "Six Schübler Chorales" BWV 645 - 650. Transitional fingering and all-toe pedaling is utilized in this performance.

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