### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

**UNI CONCERT BAND** 

Tuesday, March 3 at 7:30 p.m. Bengtson Auditorium, Russell Hall

AMANDA MCCANDLESS, CLARINET Wednesday, March 4 at 6 p.m. Davis Hall. GBPAC

PERCUSSION STUDIO CONCERT Thursday, March 5 at 8 p.m. Davis Hall, GBPAC

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## MITRA SADEGHPOUR, SOPRANO SERENA HOU, PIANO

# CAYLA BELLAMY AND J. BENJAMIN SMITH, BASSOON

#### **PROGRAM**

Ronde d'Amour Cécile Chaminade Écrin (1857-1944)

Rêve d'un Soir Bonne Humeur

Mitra and Serena

from Six Arias from Barber of Seville Gioacchino Rossini
Ecco ridente in cielo (1792-1868)

Una voce poco fa arr. Francois-Rene Gebauer

Largo al factotum

Cayla and Ben

Freundliche Vision Richard Strauss Klina! (1864-1949)

Winterweihe

Mitra and Serena

Sonata XIV, No. 1 Joseph Bodin de Boismortier

Gravement (1689-1755)

Courante Lentemente Legerement

Cayla and Ben

I Want Magic André Previn

from A Streetcar Named Desire (b. 1929)

Mitra and Serena

from Duettino Eugene Bozza

Andante (1905-1991)

Allegro ma non troppo

Cayla and Ben

Blue Skies Irving Berlin

What'll I Do (1888-1989)

It's A Lovely Day Tomorrow

Mitra and Serena

Black Marc Mellits

(b. 1966)

#### **ABOUT THE ARTISTS**

Mitra Sadeghpour, soprano, is Assistant Professor of Opera at UNI. In 2013, she was selected as the UW-Eau Claire Max Schoenfeld Distinguished Professor, which recognizes a commitment to the university, achievement in scholarship and a commitment to student learning and life. At UW-Eau Claire Sadeghpour has staged productions of Strauss' "Die Fledermaus," Mozart's "Die Zauberflöte," "Albert Herring " by Britten, Purcell's "Dido and Aeneas," "The Merry Widow" by Franz Lehár, "Suor Angela" and "Gianni Schicchi" by Puccini, and two children's touring productions of Rossini's "Cinderella." She also directs a themed opera and music theatre scenes program each fall semester. Recent music direction has included "Into the Woods," "Grey Gardens," "The Three Penny Opera," "Bat Boy: The Musical," "Cabaret," and "Pirates of Penzance." In 2013-2014 she directed a scenes program Celebrating Women Composers and 100 Years of Britten, and music directed "A Man of No Importance." Sadeghpour is committed to bringing opera to children via the touring opera program Opera on Wheels and other outreach projects.

With individual careers spanning the country, **Double or Nothing** bassoonists **J. Benjamin Smith** and **Cayla Bellamy** first collaborated at the University of Georgia in 2010. Smith, a Texas native, is currently serving in the United States Navy as a bassoon instrumentalist. He earned bachelor and master of music degrees from West Texas A&M, as well as pursued graduate studies at Baylor University and the University of Georgia. He has performed extensively in Texas and Georgia, having held positions with the Amarillo Symphony Orchestra and performed regularly with orchestras and chamber ensembles throughout the southern United States.

Bellamy hails from Georgia, but she comes from a Midwestern family and has recently returned to the region as Instructor of Bassoon at the University of Northern Iowa. Her passion for education has resulted in positions with the Georgia public school system, Emory Youth Symphony Orchestra, Interlochen Center for the Arts, and New York Summer School of the Arts. She has performed both as concerto soloist and orchestral musician in Iowa, Indiana, Michigan, West Virginia, Georgia, New York, and Colorado. Before moving to Iowa, Bellamy was a full time doctoral student at Indiana University, where she also co-founded Classical Revolution - Bloomington, a chamber music collective.

Several years and multiple states after their first meeting, the two reconvened and formed Double or Nothing in December 2014, aspiring to share the unique sound possibilities and varied repertoire of the bassoon duo via both traditional recital and more interactive performance settings. They are excited to continue reaching a variety of audiences through music - enjoy the show!