

BRUCE ADOLPHE (b.1955)

Ladino Songs of Love and Suffering

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*"The little nightingales sing,
Sighing of love,
And passion murders me,
So great is my pain."*

Jewish poetry dating back to the time of the Spanish expulsion (1492) is transformed by composer Bruce Adolphe into a captivating song cycle for soprano, guitar, and French horn that revels in Ladino-inspired melodies, exotic new instrumental timbres, and astonishing virtuosity. A complete scene from the opera *Mikhoels the Wise* includes the haunting "Lullaby of Birobidzhan." *Out of the Whirlwind* recalls the unforgettable poetry and songs written by members of the Jewish resistance during World War II, as well as by other victims of the Holocaust.



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| 1. Introduction; I. Noches, noches | 5:01 |
| 2. II. Avrix mi galanica | 3:45 |
| 3. III. El mi querido | 2:06 |
| 4. IV. Camini por altas torres | 2:18 |
| 5. V. La rosa enflorece | 4:12 |
| 6. VI. Alta, alta, va la luna | 8:15 |

*Lucy Shelton, soprano**Eliot Fisk, guitar**David Jolley, French horn*

Mikhoels the Wise (excerpt)

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| 7. Act I, scene 4. A Train Station in
Birobidzhan at Midnight | 20:49 |
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*Erie Mills, soprano**Nathaniel Watson, baritone**Seattle Symphony**Gerard Schwarz, conductor*

Out of the Whirlwind

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| 8. I. Es brent | 3:43 |
| 9. II. Mayn mame hot gevolt zayn
af mayn khasene | 6:48 |
| 10. III. Treblinka | 4:04 |
| 11. IV. Rivkele, di shabesdike | 3:26 |
| 12. V. Shtil di nakht | 4:57 |
| 13. VI. Ani ma'amin | 5:29 |

*John Aler, tenor**Phyllis Pancella, mezzo-soprano**College-Conservatory of Music Wind Symphony**Rodney Winther, Conductor*Made in
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