

Program for June 22, 2008 10:30 am

**Welcome message from Felix Wurman:**

Welcome to the twentieth convention of the Church of Beethoven. Twenty distinct programs made available to New Mexicans in as many weeks. And the programs only seem to get better. Last week we had our first harp and now trumpeter Amanda Pepping is the first solo brass performance here at the C of B. Robert Erikson's "Kryll" is named for the great Bohemian cornet soloist Bohemier Kryl, who was an acrobat and famous for his pedal tones on the trumpet. The piece is kind of an acrobatic, multi-phonic, one movement sonata. Cop/poet Frank Calabretta reads a pastiche of the words of Donald Rumsfeld. Megan and James Holland bring the fiendishly difficult Ravel "duo" for violin and cello in which the two string instruments interact in a naked austerity that nonetheless blooms with lyricism and vigor.

What, you may ask in ever-diminishing numbers, is the Church of Beethoven? The recipe calls for measures of these: an exciting concert, a poetry reading, a sometime sing-along and even a celebration of pure silence! Oh, and did I mention, the best coffee in town? In short: one-stop shopping for the perfect Sunday morning. This is all underwritten by your generous donation. We ask for a minimum of \$10.00. Your money goes directly to the artists and other people that make these weekly events possible. Speaking of other people, I would like to take this opportunity to thank them now. They are: David Sinkus- owner of the Filling Station, Deborah Donelson- our office manager, Maggie Ross and Billie Joe Miller- our baristas, Carlee Uhrich- program editor and printer and Cindy Young- videographer. Thank you all so much.

**Program**

**Music: Prelude form Suite for Solo Cello No.3 in C by J.S. Bach**  
James Holland, cello

**Poems: "The Unknown" and "Glass Box" from "Pieces of Intelligence: the Existential Poetry of Donald Rumsfeld"**  
arranged by Hart Seely and read by Frank Calabretta

**Music: "Kryll" by Robert Erikson**  
Amanda Pepping, trumpet

**Celebration of Silence: two minutes**

**Poems: "Happenings" arranged by Hart Seely and "Suicide Note on a Grocery List" by Frank Calabretta**

**Music: Sonata for Violin and Cello by Maurice Ravel**  
1. Allegro    2. Tres vif    3. Lent    4. Vif, avec entrain  
Megan Holland, violin    James Holland, cello