« Ecce Puer «

(from Chamber Music by James Joyce)

From the dark past

New life is breathed Upon the glass.

A boy is born With joy and grief

The world that was not

My heart is torn.

Comes to pass.

Calm in his cradle

A young child sleeping,

The living lies.

May love and mercy
Unclose his eyes!

An old man gone. O father forsaken, Forgive your son!

In the train Dublin-Cork, June 20th 1982

« The Oxen » by Thomas Hardy (1915)

Christmas Eve, and twelve of the clock.

« Now they are all on their knees,

An elder said as we sat in a flock

By the embers in hearthside ease.

We pictured the meek mild creatures where

They dwelt in their strawy pen,

Nor did it occur to one of us there

To doubt they were kneeling then,

So fair a fancy few would weave

In these years! Yet, I feel

If someone said on Christmas Eve,

« Come; see the oxen kneel

In the lonely barton by yonder coomb

Our childhood used to know, »

I should go with him in the gloom

Hoping it might be so.

Finale - Natale 1985

AN

INTRODUCTION

TO

THE

MUSIC

OF

Anthony Burgess

presented by

Maureen Turquet, piano with

Amanda Broome, soprano

« Les Amis d'Anthony Burgess » Anthony Burgess Society Centre d'Art Bouvay Ladubay Saumur, France

PROGRAM

Tango for Pianoforte

November 24th, 1984

The Bad-tempered Electronic Keyboard - a selection

November 24th to December 13th, 1985

Prelude in c minor - molto moderato

Prelude in C major - allegro vivo

Prelude in g minor - poco lento

Prelude in b minor

Prelude in D major - andantino

Fugue in D major - allegro vivo

Prelude in E major - maestoso ma ironico

Fugue in F major - maestoso non troppo lento

Prelude in f minor - moderato

Prelude in b flat minor - andante

(« Fantasia on B.A.C.H. »)

One Day in the Life of Anthony Burgess....November 27, 1985

-- Prelude in G major - andantino

9h50 Fugue in G major - molto moderato

19h21 Prelude in A flat major - allegretto grazioso

21h19 Fugue in A flat major - maestoso

22h19 Prelude in A major - moderato

Two Pieces

« Chaconne » - lento Allegro vivo

Sonatina for Piano by Andrew Burgess Wilson

« for my father, in fond memory, on February 25th »

Four Songs

« Under the Greenwood Tree »

(from As You Like It by William Shakespeare)

Under the greenwood tree Who loves to lie with me, And tune his merry note Unto the sweet bird's throat.

Come hither, come hither, come hither!
Here shall he see
No enemy
But winter and rough weather.

Who doth ambition shun And loves to lie i' the sun, Seeking the food he eats And pleas'd with what he gets.

« Strings »

(from Chamber Music by James Joyce)

Strings in the earth and air

There's music along the river

Make music sweet.

For love wanders there.

Strings by the river

Pale flow'rs in his mantle,

Where the willows meet.

Dark leaves in his hair.

All softly playing
With head to the music bent,
And fingers straying
Upon an instrument.

Dublin, June 18 1982