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Faculty Tuesdays

All Bases Covered

Sue Cahill, bass

Beth Cahill, mandolin, guitars, voice

Alex Gonzales, violin

Enion Pelta-Tiller, violin

Annie Booth, piano

Margaret McDonald, piano

Tuesday, March 31, 2026, 7:30 p.m.

Grusin Music Hall

PROGRAM

Duo concertante for Violin and Contrabass (2010)

Krzysztof Penderecki (1933-2020)

Sue Cahill, bass

Alex Gonzales, violin

Sonata in E minor for Contrabass and Piano (1967)

Vilmos Montag (1908-1997)

Sue Cahill, bass

Margaret McDonald, piano

Intermission

Violet Snow

Sue Cahill

Viridian Green

Sue Cahill

Sue Cahill bass

Annie Booth, piano

Selections announced from the stage

Music by Beth Cahill and Sue Cahill

Beth Cahill, mandolin, guitars, voice

Sue Cahill, bass

Enion Pelta-Tiller, violin

PROGRAM NOTES

Notes by Alyson McLamore

Duo concertante for Violin and Contrabass (2010)

Krzysztof Penderecki (1933-2020)

After considering all the anonymous entries in the 1959 Young Composers Competition, the Polish Composers Union decided on the top three prizes. As each winning work was announced, its composer's name was revealed for the first time. The third prize went to—Krzysztof Penderecki! Second prize? Krzysztof Penderecki! First prize? Krzysztof Penderecki!! This unexpected coup made Penderecki an overnight sensation in his homeland and beyond. Penderecki's subsequent wide-ranging achievements and number of honors are staggering, but it was not until 1998 that he felt he was “getting close to the essence of music.” 12 years later, he was commissioned by his long-time collaborator Anne-Sophie Mutter to write a piece to showcase one of her protégés, the bassist Roman Patkoló. The result, *Duo concertante*, featured not only the bass but also the violin, allowing Mutter to take part as well. The moods of this short duet vary wildly, with the two instruments appearing as antagonists, dance partners, and mimics in rapid succession.

Sonata in E minor for Contrabass and Piano (1967)

Vilmos Montag (1908-1997)

Bass students in 20th-century Hungary loved their teacher, Lajos Montag—but they were terrified of his five-volume method book for the double-bass. (It provoked fear outside of Hungary, too, since each instruction also had parallel translations in German and English.) Still, its wide-ranging exercises helped students to master their instrument and to follow in the footsteps of their virtuosic teacher. Another person who followed Lajos Montag into a musical career was his younger brother Vilmos. Vilmos, however, focused on violin, conducting, and especially composition.

When Lajos asked his sibling to write a piece for him, the Sonata in E minor was the result. Vilmos (coached by Lajos) included specialized and challenging contrabass techniques, such as the requirement that three of the bass strings should be retuned a step higher than usual, another virtuosic skill. Listeners, however, are more likely to focus on the sonata's eloquence, lyricism, poignancy and great power.

PERSONNEL

Beth Cahill

Beth Cahill is a musical raconteuse with quirky tales to tell. She has found her own, true voice—it can be intimate, explosive, soothing or even forlorn. Her style rises from the broad roots of a cultural tree that spreads its leafy branches high above her Illinois Celtic-ness. It leans casually up against an Americana-esque array of blues, jazz and other traditional influences to come to gracefully rest alongside the river that flows past her Québec home. As a member of The Malvinas, Cahill has been fortunate to work as side woman and to share the stage with some really great artists, including Bruce Daigrepoint, Jack Hardy, Eliza Gilkyson, Ray Wylie Hubbard and Tim Grimm. Past appearances include The New Orleans Jazz and Heritage Festival, Festival Internationale, The Kerrville Folk Festival and WFMT's Folkstage.

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