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Cal Performances at Home online press kit

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CAL PERFORMANCES AT UC BERKELEY PRESENTS

JORDI SAVALL LA CAPELLA REIAL DE CATALUNYA, AND LE CONCERT DES NATIONS PERFORMING MONTEVERDI'S MADRIGALS OF LOVE AND WAR AS PART OF THE CAL PERFORMANCES AT HOME PERFORMING ARTS STREAMING SERIES

THURSDAY, JUNE 3 AT 7PM (PDT)

This performance will be viewable on demand for three months, through September 1, 2021

Spring 2021 streaming series features a digital watch party on select Thursday evenings through June 10, 2021

Berkeley, April 22, 2021 — Cal Performances at UC Berkeley presents multi-instrumental virtuoso, conductor, and musical polymath Jordi Savall, accompanied by La Capella Reial de Catalunya and Le Concert des Nations, in a virtual performance debuting with an interactive digital watch party on Thursday, June 3 at 7pm (PDT). Recorded exclusively for Cal Performances in Barcelona, Spain, Savall and his musicians perform a program of selections from Monteverdi's Eighth Book of Madrigals, *Madrigals of Love and War*, including "Lamento della Ninfa" and "Combattimento di Tancredi e Clorinda".

Following its debut, Jordi Savall's performance will be available for viewing on demand through September 1, 2021. The performance is one of 12 newly produced, full-length performances in the Spring 2021 *Cal Performances at Home* performing arts streaming series, a continuation of the ambitious series launched in fall 2020. Filmed on stages all over the world—in renowned venues and recording studios in the locations where the artists are sheltering in place—all artists currently

planned for the spring series were originally booked to perform in person at UC Berkeley as part of Cal Performances' 2020–21 live season, which was cancelled due to the coronavirus pandemic. The debut of each performance, on select Thursday evenings through June 10, 2021, will be celebrated with a digital watch party accompanied by participatory live chat. Every performance (except where noted) will be viewable on demand for three months following its debut. A complete list of all *Cal Performances at Home* performances currently available can be found at <u>calperformances.org/buy</u>. The performances will be supplemented with free artist talks, interviews, lectures, and panel discussions shared on the **Beyond the Stage** web page at <u>calperformances.org/learn/beyond-the-stage</u>.

WHO

Multi-instrumental virtuoso, conductor, and musical polymath Jordi Savall performs selections from Monteverdi's *Madrigals of Love and War*, including "Lamento della Ninfa" and "Combattimento di Tancredi e Clorinda". With these works, published late in the composer's life, Monteverdi proposed a groundbreaking model for how music could convey a wide range of emotion. For this *Cal Performances at Home* presentation, Savall was joined by La Capella Reial de Catalunya and Le Concert des Nations for a special recording session in Barcelona. "These madrigals are among the supreme glories of 17th-century vocal art, and Savall does them proud. Whether making love or sallying boisterously into battle, his singers and instrumentalists bring out every musical and expressive nuance" (*Chicago Tribune*).

** This performance was originally scheduled to premiere on Cal Performances at Home on November 19, 2020. Filming in the fall was postponed due to a spike in Covid-19 infections in Spain.

WHAT

Newly produced, full-length, streaming program.

Program:

Monteverdi/Selections from Book 8, Madrigals of Love and War

WHEN

Streaming debut Thursday, June 3 at 7pm (PDT). Following the debut, this performance will be available to view on demand for three months until September 1, 2021.

WHERE

Viewable online, streamed to any device with an internet connection. Access to the event will be provided upon registration. For more information on how to view *Cal Performances at Home*, please visit <u>calperformances.org/at-home/frequently-asked-questions</u>.

TICKETS

\$15 for a single viewer, \$30 for two viewers, and \$60 per household viewing. \$5 tickets are available for UC Berkeley students.

Tickets are available at <u>calperformances.org/buy</u> or by phone at (510) 642-9988.

MORE

CONTENT: Video of a conversation between Jordi Savall and Cal Performances executive and artistic director Jeremy Geffen will be available to stream for free beginning at 12pm (PDT) on Monday, May 31 at <u>calperformances.org/beyond-the-stage</u>.

three months following their debut date except where indicated.

By the time Jordi Savall's performance debuts on June 3, the *Cal Performances at Home* library of offerings will feature Spring 2021 performances streamable on demand by the **Takács Quartet**; harpsichordist **Mahan Esfahani**; pianist **Mitsuko Uchida**; soprano **Christine Goerke** and pianist **Craig Terry**; pianist **Jeremy Denk**; vocalist **Jazzmeia Horn**; soprano **Renée Fleming**; **Bang on a Can**; pianist **Beatrice Rana**; and **yMusic**. For a complete list of all *Cal Performances at Home* performances currently available visit <u>calperformances.org/buy</u>. All performances are available for

More than 60 *Now, More Than Ever* YouTube playlists of the performing arts, curated by Jeremy Geffen since the beginning of the pandemic, can be found at <u>calperformances.org/nmte.</u>

PRESS

Complimentary press passes are available for reviewing journalists. To request a press pass for this performance, please email publicrelations@calperformances.org.

Photos of Jordi Savall are available to download from the online press kit.

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DEBUT WATCH PARTY

Thursday, June 3, 7pm (PDT)

Following the debut, this performance will be available to view on demand for three months, from June 4 through September 1, 2021.

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La Capella Reial de Catalunya
Le Concert des Nations

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