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### **Empyrean Ensemble Presents The 51% Majority**

**Davis, Calif.**—The UC Davis Department of Music’s **Empyrean Ensemble** presents **The 51% Majority**, an extraordinary program of **modern works by female composers**, including piano etudes by both **Unsuik Chin** and **Augusta Read Thomas**, “Binge Delirium” for solo percussion by **Yu-Hui Chang**, “Sounds of the Forest” by **Sofia Gubaidulina**, “Several Concertos” by **Judith Weir**, “Circus Maximus” by co-director **Laurie San Martin**, and the world premier of “The Memory Palace” by **Ann Callaway**.

The performance takes place at **8 p.m.** on **Sunday, April 13**, in the **Studio Theatre of Mondavi Center for the Performing Arts**. A “Demystifying the Music” talk with UC Davis ethnomusicologist Sandra Graham precedes the show at 7 p.m.

Tickets—\$18 for adults and \$9 for students and children—are available online at [MondaviArts.org](http://MondaviArts.org), by phone at 530-754-ARTS (2787) or 866-754-ARTS (toll-free), or at the door. Accommodations for persons with disabilities are available upon request.

**Empyrean Ensemble**, founded by composer **Ross Bauer**, is directed by **Kurt Rohde** and **Laurie San Martin**. Empyrean’s core players are **Terrie Baune**, violin; **Tod Brody**, flute; **Chris Froh**, percussion; **Peter Josheff**, clarinet; and **Thalia Moore**, cello. Guest artists for this performance include **Michael Orland**, piano, and **David Moschler**, conductor. For more Empyrean information, visit [music.ucdavis.edu/empyrean](http://music.ucdavis.edu/empyrean) , e-mail [empyrean@ucdavis.edu](mailto:empyrean@ucdavis.edu), or call 530-752-3443.

**For complete event information**, to receive a Department of Music season brochure, or to join the department mailing list, call **530-752-0948** or visit [music.ucdavis.edu/events](http://music.ucdavis.edu/events).

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