the 12 Celtic moods, which divided the year into distinct times. Some examples of these include: Ice time, windy time, and stay-home time.

MEOW  I like cats.

FOR ALFRED  is the first in a set of three pieces for solo piano.

CELLO QUARTET NO. I  Writing this piece was a different experience as I didn’t have a strong programmatic idea while composing it. I tried to implement both melodic and rhythmic motivic material and develop them in such a way that the form of the piece wasn’t an arch.

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- Tue, May 1, 2012: Piano Plus!, Shun-Lin Chou, director 8:00pm Daniel Recital Hall $10/7
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II. The Barrier Breaks
III. Mental Episode

Ed Park—Bb clarinet, Magnum Nadal—alto sax,
Paul De La Rosa—bass trombone, Josue Orozco—acoustic guitar,
Amira Bennett—viola, Anthoni Polcari—violoncello

Three Preludes for Solo Flute  Justin Scheid
I. Asylum
II. Lost in Dream
III. Escape

Melissa Hulett—flute

Escape  Edward Park

Ruvito Wind Quintet
Sally Keener—flute, Michelle Oh—oboe,
Stephen Chow—clarinet, Noam Shanker—French horn,
Jonathan Perez—bassoon

On The Young Mind  David Landon

Gale Oliver—mezzo soprano
David Landon—speaker

Die Monde (I-VI)  Amy Gordon
Therisse Martinez, Matt Lourtie, Nathanael Tronerud—laptop,
Amy Gordon—music box

Meow  Therisse Martinez
I. Training Humans
II. 18 Hours

Sally Keener—flute, Michelle Oh—oboe,
Abraham Perez—clarinet, Noam Shanker—French horn,
Jonathan Perez—bassoon,
Shase Hernandez—conductor

For Alfred  Matthew Lourtie
Matthew Lourtie—piano

Cello Quartet no. 1  Casey Martin
Josie Boyer, Lucy Cahuantzi,
Anthoni Polcari, Jeff Westcott—cello

PROGRAM NOTES

The goal for this composition is to further open a discourse both within the mental health community itself and between those who have chemical imbalances and those who do not. I hope it will incite a sort of self-dialog as well. I will elaborate on this objective by using ideas from Dr. Thomas Szasz. I hope my work will encourage the listener to reset their mindset from understanding mental “illness” to instead understanding themselves and—even greater—understanding life.

With regard to the music, I would like to, at the risk of sounding cliché, see if it is strong enough to speak for itself. The only note I will add is that the fast portions in second movement, The Barrier Breaks, are almost exclusively built out of juxtaposed musical quotes from the infamous “mad scene” in Donizetti’s Lucia di Lammermoor. These quotes take from music that bears the following text: “What shudder do I feel through my veins”, “My heart is trembling, my senses fail”, “Oh! Blessed morning”, and “Oh joy untold, unfathomed!” I implore all in attendance to visit www.nami.com to find out more information about a subject that I believe is tragically misunderstood far too often.

THREE PRELUDES
In memory of Robert Muczynski. Written for Melissa Hulett.

ESCAPE  Studies of Coordination.

ON THE YOUNG MIND  This piece is an exploration of the variable sound qualities specific to an individual’s voice. The exploration was initiated by removing the vocalist’s line from its cherished companion, text, and giving it to a speaker. With the duty of conveying meaning now the responsibility of the speaker, and not the vocalist, the vocalist was then able to explore the sound qualities of the tool we use to express language on a micro level, and in a context entirely separate from its primary function.

A special thanks to Gale for all of the time she spent working on the piece, and for being so willing to work closely with me on the compositional process.

DIE MONDE  This piece, which eventually will be a twelve-movement work, was inspired by Karlheinz Stockhausen’s Tierkreis (Zodiac), also a 12-movement work for music box. Each movement in Tierkreis represents the Zodiac signs. In my own piece, each movement represents one of