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Huw Morgan, Most Sought After Brass Player, Joined by Pianist, Rebecca Wilt

BOILING SPRINGS, N.C.—An internationally-acclaimed trumpet player from Europe, currently on tour in the United States, is scheduled to appear at Gardner-Webb University on Jan. 26 at 7 p.m. Huw Morgan and his collaborative pianist, Rebecca Wilt, will perform in Blanton Auditorium in Hamrick Hall. The program, which is free and open to the public, is presented by the GWU School of Performing and Visual Arts Distinguished Artist Series.

The winner of several recent international trumpet competitions, Morgan is one of the most sought-after brass players of his generation. He combines a flourishing solo career with his role as principal trumpet in the Sinfonieorchester Basel, a symphony orchestra based in Basel, Switzerland.

A founding member of the London-based ensemble, Septura, Morgan has appeared with the BBC National Orchestra of Wales, Northern Sinfonia, Irish Chamber Orchestra, Royal Flemish Philharmonic and others. He has also been featured at numerous international festivals. Among his solo recordings, Morgan can be heard as the featured trumpeter on the soundtrack to the film, “Me and Orson Welles.”

Wilt has received national and international recognition as a virtuoso collaborative pianist. She has worked with many of the world’s prominent wind instrument performers, as well as some of the country’s foremost vocalists, and has performed in many of the world’s greatest venues in North America, Europe, and Asia. She studied with John Wustman, the pianist for Luciano Pavarotti. She has worked with singers, such as Phyllis Bryn-Julson and Shirley Verrett. She has also served as pianist and vocal coach for several opera productions, including *La Boheme*, *La Traviata*, *Così fan Tutte* and others.

Wilt has performed in collaboration with members of several symphonies and has been the



premiere pianist for many of the nation's wind-instrument conferences and competitions. She frequently gives workshops and master classes at universities and colleges all over the country on topics involving vocal coaching, instrumental chamber music, rehearsing with a pianist, and the competition road. She has been on the summer faculty for the Center for Advanced Musical Studies in Enfield, N.H., the vocal coaching staff at the AIMS Festival in Graz, Austria, as well as appearing as guest artist at various festivals all over the world.

Auxiliary aids will be made available to persons with disabilities upon request 48 hours prior to the event. Please call 704-406-2155 or email disabilityservices@gardner-webb.edu with your request.

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