

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, SACRAMENTO School of Music Senior Recital

Kunal Prasad, composition

The Chase is On Ca	armen Elisa Vargas – tom toms; Gustavo Dominguez – wood blocks
Curse of the Sands	Davide Bonomo – flute
•	oon g of Spirits ne Dullahan
	Antonio Giardina – piano
Annabel Lee	Nathan Smith – voice; Faye White – piano
Long Night	Maria Grigoryeva – violin/viola; Natalia Nazarova – cello
Galaxy	
Stronghold	
Night at the Fair	
	<i>This recital is presented in partial fulfillment of the requirements for the degree of Bachelor of Music in Theory & Composition.</i>

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PROGRAM NOTES

The Chase is On: The jungle is a beautiful place full of many exotic plants and animals but it is also full of danger.

Curse of the Sands. The wind dances across the dunes of a desert as the sun rays shine down upon the sands. All is quiet as the sand is blown around the desert and mysteries underneath are unveiled.

Night of the Full Moon

- I. *Gathering of Spirits*: Fog rolls through a deep dark forest where the only light are the wisps that dance in the trees. It is time for the spirits to gather and some are more welcoming than others.
- II. *Ride of the Dullahan*: On horseback rides a headless figure through the quiet countryside. Only the galloping of his horse breaks the silence of night. Thought only to be a legend, many have heard the Dullahan's tale.

Annabel Lee: A man sits by the docks, sad, alone. Thinking about the woman that he had loved and how the world had taken her from him. He talks about how pure their love was that even heaven envied them. He must learn to accept the fact that she is gone.

Long Night depicts a person with insomnia as the night passes. The inability of sleep but feeling the momentary pleasures of sleep setting in.

Galaxy: Space is vast and much about it we do not know. It holds many different planets and stars, vacuums of empty darkness, but also some of the most beautiful sights one can imagine. Galaxy aims to reflect the open beauty that resides in space that we have found.

Stronghold: A mighty castle stands atop a mountain. It's walls impenetrable and guarded by knight of legend. Many have tried to take it and have failed.

Night at the Fair: Stars twinkle and light up the sky as down below the fair is in town. Rides plays music as people enjoy their time. And even after they have all left the fair plays the music to remember all the good times that were had that day and all the days to come.