Course Announcement – fall 2012

MUS-M 502 - 29107 - Composers: Heinrich Isaac

Time: Mo We 1:00-2:15 PM - Music Library M267

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Course description: Heinrich Isaac (ca. 1450-1517) was one of the most versatile and accomplished Flemish composers of the late fifteenth century. His output includes outstanding examples of virtually every genre practiced in his times – Masses, motets, songs in several languages and different traditions, pieces with a possible instrumental destination. Isaac is also one of very few composers in the history of Western music to have compiled a complete set of Mass Propers for the whole liturgical year. During the class, we will become familiar with Isaac’s music, his biography, and with the musicological literature devoted to him in the past and very recently. The class time will include a combination of lecturing, discussion, and team work.

Pre-Requisites: MUS-M 541 and T 508, or equivalents by examination.

Textbooks: Optional Course Packet, material posted on OnCourse.

Assignments and grading: participation, presentations, and a semester-long project.