ARLINGTON CHORALE DR. INGRID LESTRUD, ARTISTIC DIRECTOR

Solace and Remembrance



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The Chorale is a multi-generational chorus composed of members from Virginia, D.C., and Maryland. Singers come from a diverse range of professions and musical backgrounds, and members form strong connections with each other through musical rehearsals and fun social events. Performing a varied repertoire of smaller pieces and larger works for chorus and orchestra, some recent works include the Brahms *Requiem*, Beethoven's 9th Symphony, Gjeilo's "Song of the Universal," and Haydn's *Lord Nelson Mass*. For many seasons, the Chorale was honored to be part of the onstage chorus for the *Messiah* Sing-a-long at the Kennedy Center. Established in 1966, they have a long history of performing in special events, such as singing the national anthem at the MLB All-Star Game at Nationals Park, performing for the 40th anniversary of Arlington Thrive, and caroling at the Lee Highway Alliance Winter Festival of Lights.

Building on over fifty years of choral art, the Chorale continues to present ambitious programming, rehearsing and performing primarily in Arlington. Choral singing builds community, providing a space for members to work toward a common artistic goal as they create, connect, and sing together.



Formerly known as the Youth Community Council, Performers With Purpose serve their community through choral music. Each season, these young singers (ages 10-18) partner with a local non-profit organization to learn about the group's mission, engage in service projects, and use choral music to raise awareness for the organization. In Season 2022/23, we are partnering with ReactDC, an organization that assists Afghan refugees. Students have the opportunity to help run activities and provide music at several events for Afghan families, and they will also be featured on a world premiere at the Chorale's June concert titled "We Stand Together."

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A Quiet Night - Tyhoyi Nochi

Natalia Tsupryk

featuring Performers with Purpose

"Eja Mater" from *Stabat Mater*

Kim André Arnesen

Chris Fiore, cello Eric Sabatino, harp

Requiem

Maurice Duruflé

Introit

Kyrie eleison

Domine Jesu Christe (Offertory)

Sanctus and Benedictus

Pie Jesu

Agnus Dei

Lux aeterna (Communion)

Libera me (Responsory)

In paradisum (Antiphon)

Patricia Portillo, mezzo-soprano

Ethan Zorack-Greene, bass-baritone

Please silence mobile devices.

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Andrew Alexander Darrell Capwell Luke Fisher Philip C. Hart RC McShane Troy Palma Kevin Splane Dragoslav Stojadinovic Sebastian James Torti

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Douglas Gage Vic Glasberg Jeremy Hesketh

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PERFORMERS WITH PURPOSE

Avery Chen Sarah Eichorn Layla Eisenberg Alannah Hjelm Ela Patel-Euler Esperanza Piechowski Mackenzie Rau Ava Rissetto

Sidney Schweigart Ava Yi Matteo Zanini

ORCHESTRA

Saskia Guitiens

VIOLINI **CELLO** HARP

Elizabeth Adkins Chris Fiore Eric Sabatino

Amelia Giles lihea Choi

ORGAN **BASS** John Nothaft

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Matthew Misener

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SOLOIST

ETHAN ZORACK-GREENE, BASS-BARITONE

Hailed by the Washington Classical Review as a "bass-baritone of even power from bottom to top," Ethan Zorack-Greene has established himself on operatic and concert stages alike. He has performed roles and in concert for Washington National Opera, Central City Opera, Des Moines Metro Opera, Urban Arias, Washington Concert Opera, Annapolis Opera, Princeton Festival, Maryland Lyric Opera, and Bel Cantanti.

He placed first in the Carolina Opera Guild competition and was a prize winner of the Metropolitan Opera National Council Middle Atlantic District Competition and the National Opera Association. Additionally, Ethan is a member of the U.S. Army Chorus and soloist at The National Presbyterian Church. Ethan received his Bachelors in Vocal Performance from Wingate University and then his Masters in Opera Performance from the Maryland Opera Studio at University of Maryland, College Park.

SOLOIST **PATRICIA PORTILLO**, MEZZO-SOPRANO

Patricia Portillo, mezzo-soprano, is a multidisciplinary artist who began cultivating her love of performing at a very young age. She credits her early exposure and involvement in the arts for accepting music as her vocation. Galvanized by her lifelong commitment to the DC theater arts scene that nurtured her, she continues to teach, perform, and serve the arts community.

Patricia expresses a unique style described by *The Washington Post* as having "a lovely mezzo timbre." Her wide vocal range contributes to the variety of roles she has performed. She continues to win praise as a singing actor that can "hold her own in any opera house" (dcmetrotheaterarts). Previous soloist engagements include Westmoreland Festival Choir, The In Series, Teatro Lirico of DC, Opera Camerata of Washington, Studio Theater, and she has been on the roster of The Washington National Opera Chorus at the Kennedy Center since 2008.

Her recorded work can be found on Spotify and YouTube. Patricia wishes to dedicate this requiem to the memory of her loved ones who have passed on, especially her mother. As a proud member of the union AGMA, she performs courtesy of the American Guild of Musical Artists, AFL-CIO.



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ARTISTIC STAFF

DR. INGRID LESTRUD, ARTISTIC DIRECTOR

Dr. Ingrid Lestrud enjoys an active career as a conductor and educator. Drawn to music and singing at an early age, she studied vocal performance as an undergraduate and discovered a passion for conducting choral and orchestral music. She went on to study conducting at the graduate level, eventually completing her Doctor of Music degree at Northwestern University, where she studied with Victor Yampolsky. While living in Chicago, Dr. Lestrud sang with the Chicago Symphony Chorus for several seasons under the baton of Riccardo Muti, performing in the Grammy award-winning recording of Verdi's Requiem. She spent three years as the Voice Department Chair of the Merit School of Music, a community music school that serves over six thousand students with a focus on underserved communities. Collaborating with the Lyric Opera of Chicago, she worked with Renée Fleming to develop curriculum for Merit's Solo Voice Program, and her choir performed for and with Ms. Fleming for special events.

Dr. Lestrud has served on the faculty of several colleges in the midwest and on the east coast, leading choral and orchestral programs. Formerly the Principal Associate Conductor of the Grammy award-winning National Children's Chorus, she worked with some of the finest young singers in the nation, preparing them for concerts at Carnegie Hall, Lincoln Center, Walt Disney Concert Hall, and the Kennedy Center. In 2019, she performed as a member of the Living Arts Collective at the National Gallery of Art, conducting several movements of Schoenberg's *Pierrot Lunaire* in an event that showcased both musicians and dancers, highlighting an exhibition of lunar photographs and commemorating the fiftieth anniversary of the moon landing. Dr. Lestrud is also a conductor with Encore Creativity, a choral organization for older adults that focuses on preparing high quality performances while also fostering a sense of community through singing.

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JOHN NOTHAFT, KEYBOARD ARTIST

John Nothaft from Vienna, Virginia, serves as the Director of Music Ministries at Lewinsville Presbyterian Church in McLean, VA as organist and choirmaster, created and curates their "Holy Happy Hour" concert series, and oversees a music ministry program of nine music ensembles. During the pandemic he started a weekly "Friday Fortissimo" music video. John graduated with his M.M. 18' from the studio of David Higgs at The Eastman School of Music. John received his B.M. 16' from the Indiana University Jacobs School of Music and Hutton Honors College where he studied with Janette Fishell. Former organ teachers include Colin Andrews, and through the Potomac Organ Institute scholarship, Paul Skevington and Edward Alan Moore. John has studied sacred music with Bruce Neswick, Marilyn Keiser, Douglas Reed, and Robert Nicholls. He has studied piano with Marcia Chaplin and was awarded the Virginia Federation of Music Clubs Scholarship. He has participated in master classes with John Ferguson, Jeremy Filsell, David Higgs, and Ben Hutto. John has attended the McGill Summer Organ Academy, Oundle Organ Festival, and Westminster Choir College Organ Institute. He has served as organ scholar for RSCM courses in Houston, TX, Newport, RI and Washington, DC. In 2017, he was the first prize winner of the National Federation of Music Clubs Collegiate Organ Competition and recipient of the NPM members scholarship. As an Oundle recital winner he performed recitals at Truro Cathedral and Chester Cathedral in the UK. Recent performances include the Noontime Cantata Series with the Washington Bach Consort, Chevy Chase Presbyterian's Bachathon, Piccolo-Spoleto L'Organo's music festival, Charleston S.C, and at St. Mark's Cathedral in Seattle, WA. John is an avid tennis player and USPTA-certified coach. John has written a musical children's book Old McHandel & His Musical Farm which is on sale in the U.S., Europe, and through Amazon.

KOBE BROWN, JOSEPH AND KAREN LUQUIRE CONDUCTING FELLOW

Kobe Brown is a multi-talented graduate student pursuing a master's degree in choral conducting at the University of Maryland. Growing up in Huntsville AL, he has been interested in several contrasting career paths, such as graphic design, nursing, photography, and pharmacy. However, since joining the world-renowned choir "the Aeolians of Oakwood University", he has fully committed himself to pursuing a career in choral conducting. He has performed in choirs nationally all over the United States, and internationally in many countries including the Dominican Republic, England, and South Africa. Kobe has achieved many high honors both chorally and individually. In 2022, he was awarded the Katherine & Richard Lester Emerging Arts Award for outstanding young musicians that have had a dramatic impact in the community. He strives to continue instilling an appreciation of choral music in youth and young adults.

TEXTS AND TRANSLATIONS A QUIET NIGHT - TYHOYI NOCHI (TSUPRYK)

It is us who sing in the quiet of the night when the inner town is silent burying the seeds of our sighs in the breath of black earth

from *The History of Snow* by Serhiy Zhadan (trans. Sasha Dugdale, Oksana Maksymchuk)

Our land was sown with bullets and shells No enemy was able to take root here No shackles can bind our free spirit We are free people who have their own path

from President Volodymyr Zelensky's speech on the Day of Victory over Nazism in World War II (9 May 2022)

EJA MATER FROM STABAT MATER (ARNESEN)

Eja mater, fons amoris, me sentire vim doloris fac, ut tecum lugeam. Fac ut ardeat cor meum in amando Christum Deum, ut sibi complaceam. O Mother, fountain of love, make me feel the pain of sorrow, that I may grieve with you. Make my heart burn in the love of Christ my Lord, that I may greatly please Him.

REQUIEM (DURUFLÉ)

Lintroit

Requiem aeternam dona eis, Domine, et lux perpetua luceat eis.

Te decet hymnus, Deus in Sion, et tibi reddetur votum in Jerusalem;

exaudi orationem meam, ad te omnis caro veniet.

Requiem aeternam dona eis, Domine, et lux perpetua luceat eis. Eternal rest give to them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

A hymn, O God, becometh Thee in Zion, and a vow shall be paid to Thee in Jerusalem;
O Lord hear my prayer,
all flesh shall come to Thee.
Eternal rest give to them, O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon them

II. Kyrie

Kyrie eleison, Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison. Lord have mercy on us, Christ have mercy on us, Lord have mercy on us.

III. Domine Jesu Christe

Domine Jesu Christe, rex gloriae, libera animas omnium fidelium defunctorum de poenis inferni et de profundo lacu.
Libera eas de ore leonis, ne absorbeat eas tartarus, ne cadant in obscurum.

O Lord Jesus Christ, King of glory, deliver the souls of all the faithful departed from the pains of hell and from the deep pit.

Deliver them from the lion's mouth that hell engulf them not, nor they fall into darkness.

Sed signifer sanctus Michael repraesentet eas in lucem sanctam, quam olim Abrahae promisisti et semini ejus.

Hostias et preces tibi, Domine, laudis offerimus.

Tu suscipe pro animabus illis, quarum hodie memoriam facimus, fac eas, Domine, de morte transire ad vitam quam olim Abrahae promisisti et semini ejus. But that Michael, the holy standard bearer, bring them into the holy light, which Thou didst promise to Abraham and his seed.

We offer Thee, O Lord, sacrifices and prayers of praise.
Do Thou accept them for those souls whom we this day commemorate, grant them, O Lord, to pass from death to the life which Thou didst promise to Abraham and his seed.

IV. Sanctus

Sanctus Dominus Deus Sabaoth, pleni sunt coeli et terra gloria tua.

Hosanna in excelsis! Benedictus, qui venit in nomine Domini. Hosanna in excelsis! Holy, Lord God of hosts, the heavens and the earth are full of Thy glory.
Hosanna in the highest!
Blessed is He Who cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest!

V. Pie Jesu

Pie Jesu Domine, dona eis requiem sempiternam.

Gentle Lord Jesus, grant them eternal rest

VI. Agnus Dei

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, dona eis requiem sempiternam. Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world, grant them eternal rest.

VII. Lux aeterna

Lux aeterna luceat eis, Domine, cum sanctis tuis in aeternum, quia pius es. May light eternal shine upon them, O Lord, with Thy saints forever, for Thou art kind. Requiem aeternam dona eis, Domine, et lux perpetua luceat eis. Eternal rest give to them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them

VIII. Libera me

Libera me, Domine, de morte aeterna, in die illa tremenda, quando coeli movendi sunt et terra, dum veneris judicare saeculum per ignem.
Tremens factus sum ego et timeo dum discussio venerit atque ventura ira, quando coeli movendi sunt et terra.

Dies illa, dies irae, calamitatis et miseriae, dies magna et amara valde.

Requiem aeternam dona eis, Domine, et lux perpetua luceat eis.

Libera me, Domine, de morte aeterna, in die illa tremenda, quando coeli movendi sunt et terra, dum veneris judicare saeculum per ignem. Deliver me, O Lord, from eternal death on that dreadful day when the heavens and the earth shall be moved, and Thou shalt come to judge the world by fire. I quake with fear and I tremble awaiting the day of account and

awaiting the day of account and the wrath to come, when the heavens and the earth shall be moved.

Day of mourning, day of wrath, of calamity, of misery, the great day, and most bitter.

Eternal rest give to them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

Deliver me, O Lord, from eternal death on that dreadful day when the heavens and the earth shall be moved, and Thou shalt come to judge the world by fire.

IX. In Paradisum

In Paradisum deducant Angeli in tuo adventu suscipiant te Martyres et perducant te in civitatem sanctam Jerusalem.

Chorus Angelorum te suscipit et cum Lazaro quondam paupere aeternam habeas requiem. May the angels receive them in Paradise, at thy coming may the martyrs receive thee and bring thee into the holy city of Jerusalem.

There may the chorus of angels receive thee, and with Lazarus, once a beggar, may thou have eternal rest.

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