

Anna Crusis Women's Choir



Tuesday, July 10 • Ellie Caulkins Opera House • 5:30 pm

Jacqueline Coren, Artistic Director
Miriam Davidson, Acting Artistic Director
James Rowe, ASL Interpreter

Yael Lorant, Miriam Davidson and Linda Donnelly, Percussionists



UNDERWRITER

MaMa Mo

Music and lyrics by Sue Johnson

"On a crisp, brilliantly clear winter day, I was walking to see my sister who was about to give birth to her first child. I found myself singing all the parts of this joyful lullaby in my head. Later that day she gave birth to a baby boy."

Manuscript (3:00)

Silmala Triceja Dancojoti

Music and lyrics Traditional

Arranged by Jekabs Graubins

This lively song tells of sisters dressing and preparing to dance. Listen for their jingling belts and džin, džin, džin! One sister drops a garland and a young man picks it up and returns it to her. The forest shakes from dancing!

Manuscript (2:12)

Prayer of the Children

Music and lyrics by Kurt Besor

Arranged by Andrea S. Klouse

Born out of a spirit of desperation and frustration over the horrendous civil war and ethnic cleansing taking place in the former country of Yugoslavia, this plea for peace has come to be used to console others in similar circumstances.

Alfred Music CHM01113 (4:10)

Unity

Music and lyrics by Lisa Young

In the midst of the diverse rhetoric of our public discourse, "somewhere a unity of voices" sings for freedom, strength, wisdom and peace.

Soloists: Winona Wyatt and Jennifer Gillard

Manuscript (3:00)

Harmony

Music by Cynthia Folio, lyrics by Cavhanah Baht T.

Lyrics by Cavhanah, grade 5, a "We the Poets" student of Art Well (www.theArtWell.org)

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This piece is a vignette from a project in process, blending the poetry of a 5th grader from a Philadelphia poetry project and the music of Dr Folio.

Manuscript (2:10)

Unemployment Compensation Blues

Music and lyrics by Les Pine

Arranged by Jessi Roemer

Soloist: Jennifer Gillard

As timely now as it was in the Depression Era, this poignant and humorous blues song speaks for the millions of people in this country struggling to find sustaining work.

Manuscript (2:50)

Fired UP!

Music and lyrics by Holly Near

Arranged by J. David Moore

Yelton Rhodes YR4320 (2:45)

Lioness Hunt from "The Lion King"

Music and lyrics by Lebo M.

Arranged by Steve Milloy

Soloist: Bonnie Breese

Energy and passion for the hunt propel this chant from the Broadway production of Disney's The Lion King

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