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The Musicians

Midlands Men's Chorus

Kevin Crowe, Artistic Director

Olivia Colomaio, Accompanist

Tenor I
Van Haygood
Zach Jordan
Eric Reagan

Tenor II
Eric Blair Robles
Andy Farmer

Baritone
Edward Farmer
Kunio Hara
Mike Hughes
Walter Wang

Bass
Lawrence Garris
Danny Jenkins
Nicholas Willey

Greenville Gay Men's Chorus

Tenor I
Lorenzo Allen
Kevin Moore
Jake Mullen
Hamilton Parks
Kelley Proffitt

Tenor II
Landon Hall
Adam Hunt
Jason Holland
Dean Newkirk
David Raulston
Bobby Reynolds
John Rhodes

Baritone
Daniel Aiken
James Alexander
Barry Brown
Ely Graham
Ben Killingsworth
John Robertson
Aaron Teague

Bass
David Berger
Todd Brooks
Weylin Brown
Craig Cunningham
Scott Gayle
Jim Ross

Gamecock Chorale

Tenor I

Bee Ball

Curran Bramhall

Gunner Carlson

Tanner Henson

Tenor II
Christian Castanheira
Zach Haynes
Austin Means
Jacob Tierney
Robert Walker
Jameson Tronco

Baritone
Will Flowers
Sean Fowley
Coleman Garner
Scott Phinney
Bob Petrulis

Bass
Skyler Cannon
Harry Milvid
Ian Moore
Jacob Otis
Ryan Stinson

Orchestra

Annie Eaton, Flute Xueying Piao, Harp Yuesen Yang, Percussion Korcan Kostuk, Violin Amy Johnson, Violin Aidan Billings, Violin Julia Jacobsen, Violin Brent Hooper, Viola Nick England, Viola Eunice Koh, Cello Spencer Jensen, Bass

The Performance

When We No Longer Touch is the world's first AIDS requiem. Written in 1991 for the Turtle Creek Chorale, composer Kris J. Anthony weds the traditional requiem mass text to writings on the grieving process by Peter McWilliams. Over the course of its seven movements, the work progresses through the stages of grief, guiding the performers and listener toward acceptance and hope in the finale.

We are also featuring the world premier of Listening to Penderecki by MMC's own, Dr. Daniel Jenkins.

This performance is a collaborative effort among the Midlands Men's Chorus, USC's Gamecock Chorale, and the Greenville Gay Men's Chorus, conducted by USC doctoral candidate Kevin Crowe. Also featured are Columbia Poet Laureate Emeritus Dr. Ed Madden, a curated exhibit of AIDS epidemic artifacts from the Thomas Cooper Library Special Collections, and a collection of historical images from the height of the epidemic with the permission of the Richland Library, Walker Local and Family History Center.

It is our hope that this immersive experience is a lesson in the journey through this time and the importance of remembrance.

There will be space during the program to recognize and remember those who were victims of this epidemic and those who survive and carry their loved ones in their hearts today.

The Music

Midlands Men's Chorus

The Music of Living by Dan Forrest

Listening to Penderecki by Dr. J. Daniel Jenkins
*World Premier Text by Dr. Ed Madden

Stand Up! By Gerald Gurss

Soloists: Zach Jordan and Eric Blair

One Voice by Joseph M. Martin
Soloists: Eric Reagan and Walter Wang, Saturday

Edward Farmer and Zach Jordan, Sunday

Greenville Gay Men's Chorus

Like Dust I Rise Lyrics by Maya Angelou; Music by Mark Hayes
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I On the Pulse of Morning Soloist: Jason Holland

Il Caged Bird Soloists: David Berger and Lorenzo Allen

III Equality

IV Still I Rise Soloist: Jake Mullen and John Rhodes

Combined Choirs

When We No Longer Touch

Lyrics by Peter McWilliams Music by Kris Jon Anthony Soloist: Angela Pinkham Varnom, Soprano Craig Allen, Tenor

- 1 Prologue What Will I Do If It Happens?
- 2 Denial Why Do I Torture Myself?
- 3 Anger I'm Past the Point
- 4 Bargaining But Today?
- 5 Depression I Am Missing You
- 6 Acceptance I Shall Miss Loving You
- 7 Hope I Have Loved

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