

# **Joint Concert**

featuring the

# **UofM University Singers**

and

# **UofM Symphony Orchestra**

March 20, 2023 7:30 PM

Rudi E. Scheidt School of Music SFPAC Plough Performance Hall

Rudi E. Scheidt School of Music Kevin Sanders, Director

College of Communication and Fine Arts Ryan Fisher, Interim Dean

#### **PROGRAM**

Francis Cathlina, conductor
Fabian Schneider, assistant conductor of Symphony Orchestra
Kane Bradley, assistant conductor of University Singers

#### **University Singers + Symphony Orchestra**

Gloria Karl Jenkins

I. The Proclamation: Gloria in excelsis Deo

Francis Cathlina, conductor

**University Singers** 

Abide with Me Moses Hogan

Francis Cathlina, conductor

**Symphony Orchestra** 

Two Pieces in Minimalism Evan Erickson

Winner of the 2022-2023 Composition Competition

Fabian Schneider, conductor

Umoja: An Anthem for Unity Valerie Coleman

Francis Cathlina, conductor

**University Singers + Symphony Orchestra** 

I Thank You God Gwyneth Walker

Francis Cathlina, conductor

Special Thanks to Harvey Felder, Director of Orchestral Activities, for his wisdom and collaborative vision.

This program would not have been possible without him.

### **University Singers**

Francis Cathlina, conductor Kane Bradley, assistant conductor Lisa Machen, collaborative pianist

Soprano
Amanda Bolanos
Caroline Davis
Edlyn Jarquin
Karoline Larsen\*\*
Gracelyn Penn
Sarah McGinnis
Macey Garey
Emily Woelke

Tenor
Cait Mocan
Brody Melton
Myles Robinson
Nick Kroboth-Larsen\*\*
Kane Bradley
Sam Johnson
Christian McAlister
Alex Perez-Afanador

Alto
Mercy Hammond
Kylee Kee
Lindsay Reeves
Isabella Palmer
Abby Luckett
Caroline Phillips-Burk\*\*
Rachel Young

Katie Sann la White Morgan Williams Stephanie Rolfe Ellen Mitchell Merritt Hanemann Camden Kegley Shawn Campbell Andrew Heady\*\* Nathan Perkins Garrett Heady

Bass

Noah Tyler Benjamin Nguyen SirLatimore Wilson

<sup>\*\*</sup>denotes Section Leader

## **Symphony Orchestra**

Harvey Felder, conductor Fabian Schneider, assistant conductor

Violin I
Keiber Utrera,
concertmaster
Isabella Palmer,
assistant principal
Sofia Alvarado
Noel Medford
Lindsay Keck
Idil Kucukdogan
Alanna North

Violin II
Elizabeth Betrous,
principal
Anne Rieh Reeman,
assistant principal
Michael Brennan
Langston Suggs
Emily Cooley
Lucian Severs

Viola
Matthew Finley,
principal
Vivian McDermott,
assistant principal
Svetlana Choumiatsky
Dane Perugini-Cripps

Cello
Christine Sears,
principal
Bryan Edward Henderson,
assistant principal
Roberta dos Santos
Nazira Wali
Abigail Powell
Jacob Saunders
Claire Fletcher

Bass
Liam O'Dell,
principal
Garret Kirk,
assistant principal
Kedrick Cottrell
Joshua Shepard
Bryson Harding
Grace Williams

Flute
Catie Balsamo,
principal
Mackenzie Saylors,
assistant principal
Samuel Jesuyemi

Oboe
Ty Matthews,
principal
Victoria Hoffman

Clarinet
Fernando Martinez,
principal
Kendall Howard,
principal in Coleman
James Cutter

<u>Bassoon</u> Tina Hazell, principal Julian Rice

Horn
Eric Sorensen,
principal
Nathan Olusemire
Steven Groff
Madeline Miller

Trumpet
Yiming Zhang,
principal
Lacey Peschel

Trombone
Nathan Hiers,
principal
Colin Woods

Bass Trombone
Jasmine Lockwood

<u>Tuba</u> Bryson Harding <u>Timpani</u> Susannah Clabough

Percussion Mario Shaw Kate Bingham Daniel Hoepp

<u>Piano</u> Nohelia Gómez Lejedt Carmen Lemos González

#### Two Pieces in Minimalism

Initially, Evan Erickson's Two Pieces in Minimalism was written in the second half of 2020. It was created as an homage to some of Erickson's favorite composers—John Adams, Steve Reich, and Igor Stravinsky.

The first movement, "Amongst the Ocean on a Speedy Boat," is inspired by John Adams's "The Chairman Dances." As the title already indicates, this movement encounters an intense storm. The waves are gradually growing, becoming more intense, and resulting in a powerful storm, which suddenly disappears and disperses into a beautiful open skv.

The second movement, "Groove," was originally written in 5/8 and follows two main themes with layers, variations, and hints of melodies that constantly stack and blend. Later, the decision was made to change the meter, but keep the melody and rhythm from its previous structure.

Erickson's *Two Pieces in Minimalism* recently had its premiere at Eastern Michigan University. Tonight's performance will be the Mid-South premiere.