

Forgotten Peoples

Reconciliation Singers Voices of Peace

SPECIAL GUESTS: CITYWATER



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Julie Adams, Artistic Director

A message from the Artistic Director

Dear Friends,

Tonight we bring you into a world of Forgotten Peoples. We bring you into the darkness of human trafficking in order to shine a light of hope. Our wish is that this journey will be powerfully rewarding as we present new music that represents a traveler going from a place of innocence to despair and then to hope for a brighter day. Go on this musical journey with us and in the end, as always at an RSVP concert, you will have a chance to help create that hope in the lives of these Forgotten Peoples.

Peace,

Julie

I am here, I am with you.

I have called; do you hear me?

I am here, I am here, I am with you

—Will Todd from *The Call of Wisdom*

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Forgotten Peoples

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RSVP

The Promised Land

arr. Ronald Staheli (b. 1947)

American Folk Hymn

Soloists: Keir MacMillan, Anthony Williams, Nephi Speer and Bethany Tanner

*On Jordan's stormy banks I stand and cast a wishful eye
to Canaan's fair and happy land where my possessions lie.*

*O the transporting rapt'rous scene that rises to my sight!
Sweet fields arrayed in living green and rivers of delight.
I am bound for the promised land, I'm bound for the promised land
O who will come and go with me? I'm bound for the promised land.*

*The gen'rous fruits that never fail on trees immortal grow:
There rocks and hills and brooks and vales with milk and honey flow.
I am bound for the promised land...*

*All o'er those wide extended plains shines one eternal day:
There God, the sun, forever reigns and scatters night away.
I am bound for the promised land...*

*When shall I reach that happy place and be forever blessed?
When shall I see my Father's face and in His bosom rest?
I am bound for the promised land...*

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Livonian Heritage

Veljo Tormis (b. 1930)

(From *Forgotten Peoples*)

Soloists: Grant Mulligan, Tim Stephenson and Karen Percy

These songs are the first of the series *Forgotten Peoples*, written over a period of 20 years, from 1970 to 1989. Veljo Tormis, prominent Estonian composer, captured Balto-Finnic folk music from cultures that were dying away. His creative mission became the fate of small nations. Fifty-one songs complete the work; we present three of them tonight.

1. Lindude äratamine – 'Waking the birds'
3. Vastlad – 'Shrovetide'
5. Laulis isa, laulis poega – 'Sang the father, sang the son'

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Citywater

Three Miniatures

Tim Jansa (b. 1974)

1. Song
2. Dialogue in the Dark
3. Journey

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RSVP and Citywater

Winter Light

Michael Gandolfi (b. 1956)
Poetry: Amy Lowell (1874-1925)

In "Falling Snow," Amy Lowell depicts a mournful acknowledgment of life's transitory nature. By contrast, "Opal" clashes with images: "You are ice and fire, the touch of you burns my hands like snow. You are cold and flame." Gandolfi's insistent setting continually changes from major to minor never landing in a comforting resolution; the listener may only savor, not resolve, the fleeting paradoxes of this poem.

I. *Falling Snow*

*The snow whispers around me,
And my wooden clogs
Leave holes behind me in the snow.
But no one will pass this way
Seeking my footsteps,
And when the temple bell rings again
They will be covered and gone.*

II. *Opal*

*You are ice and fire,
The touch of you burns my hands like snow.
You are cold and flame.
You are the crimson of amaryllis,
The silver of moon-touched magnolias.
When I am with you,
My heart is a frozen pond
Gleaming with agitated torches.*

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Citywater

Three Preludes

1. Presbite
3. Jardin de Rodin
4. Sleeve

Garrett Shatzer (b. 1980)

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Compound Fracture

Patrick Burke (b. 1979)

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Dance

Eric Ewazen (b. 1954)

(From *Ballade, Pastorale, and Dance*, Nov. 9 & 10 only)

French Horn: Liz Barton (guest instrumentalist)

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Presentation

Courage Worldwide, Stephanie Midthun, Creative Director

RSVP

Please hold applause until the end of the concert

Incantations

Michael McGlynn (b. 1964)

You are the stag, You are the bird
You are the fish, alleluia
You are the wind, You are the cold
You are the sea, alleluia
You are the sun, You are the star
You are the sky, alleluia
Alleluia my Jesus, alleluia my heart
Alleluia my lord, alleluia my Christ

Sister My Sister

Sue Johnson (b. 1965)

Soloists: Jodi Serrano, Sarah McQueen Cunningham, Allison Reason and
Karen Percy

*sister my sister hold me
carry me home and just let me be
slow this breath and lay to rest
ever and ever hold me*

The Call of Wisdom

Will Todd (b. 1970)

(Based on *Proverbs 8*)

Pianist: David Saul Lee

Written and performed for the Queen's Diamond Jubilee, 2012.

*Lord of wisdom, Lord of truth,
Lord of justice, Lord of mercy;
Walk beside us down the years
Till we see you in your glory.
Striving to attain the heights,
Turning in a new direction, entering a lonely place,
Welcoming a friend or stranger.
I am here, I am with you.
I have called; do you hear me?
I am here, I am here, I am with you...*

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About Courage Worldwide

Courage Worldwide (CWW) is an international, 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that is building homes around the world for children rescued out of sex trafficking. It is our passion and vision to build Courage Houses in every city that needs one so rescued children will have a safe place to call home. We also want to eradicate sex trafficking completely.

With Courage House locations open in Northern California and Tanzania, and with efforts under way to build a home in Hawaii, we are committed to not only rescuing child victims of sex trafficking, but also to restoring their lives. Our Courage Houses have a comprehensive program that offers a unique life plan (ULP) for each girl that brings healing to her body, mind, spirit and emotions. We serve all people regardless of religion, race, ethnicity, age, gender or sexual preference.

Our business model has called for an army of volunteers to shoulder the day-to-day execution of all the tasks involved in carrying out our mission. We are grateful to the people who have believed in and, at one time or another over the past several years, financially supported the dream of building homes for children rescued out of sex trafficking. We are thankful for the professional services and materials that have been donated as well. And we are amazed at all that has been accomplished to open our first two homes.

For more information, visit courageworldwide.org

Please make checks payable to Courage Worldwide.



The dream of rescuing and restoring children is
now a reality and lives are being changed.

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Soprano

Monica Crumley
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Alto

Sarah McQueen
Cunningham
Allison Reason
Jennifer Reason
Jodi Serrano

Tenor

David Saul Lee
Keir MacMillan
Grant Mulligan
Nephi Speer
Tim Stephenson

Bass

Joshua Ray
Eric Rosander
David Vanderbout
Anthony Williams



Julie Adams is an accomplished conductor with a passion for using music to make a positive difference in our communities. Her passion led her to establish Reconciliation Singers Voices of Peace (RSVP) in 2000. Now in its 13th season, the a cappella ensemble she created continues to present thought-provoking, uplifting, and entertaining concerts while supporting local humanitarian organizations with their music. Julie also conducts two of the five choirs of the award winning Sacramento Children's Chorus.

Equally comfortable with classical and jazz styles, Julie has conducted and performed with large choral ensembles, chamber choirs and jazz ensembles throughout her career. Julie began her teaching career at American River College in 1992. She served on the music faculty at California State University, Sacramento for nine years where she taught vocal jazz. Julie has presented choirs and workshops to the American Choral Directors Association and the California Music Educators Association. Her choirs have been honored with performances at statewide and regional events. In 2005, Julie was a National Philanthropy Day Distinguished Honoree for her work with RSVP.

She earned a Bachelor of Music Degree from California State University, Long Beach in 1985 and a Master of Music Degree from California State University, Sacramento in 1996. Julie is also a church musician. She and her husband Doug live in Rocklin and recently launched two wonderful grown children into the world.

About Citywater

Hailed by Edward Ortiz as “a top-flight interpreter of contemporary classical music,” Citywater is Sacramento’s own modern chamber ensemble. Comprising flutist Cathie Apple, clarinetist Milun Duskovic, violinist Dagenais Smiley, cellist Timothy Stanley, pianist Jennifer Reason, and percussionist Ben Prima, Citywater strives to charm and to challenge its audiences with the newest music written.

Establishing itself as one of Sacramento’s premiere chamber ensembles, Citywater performs regularly on the Festival of New American Music, was invited to celebrate the grand re-opening of the Crocker Art Museum by performing a new work written for the occasion, and was recently appointed as the ensemble in residence at the Sacramento State music department.

In keeping with its goals to get new music heard, Citywater established a bimonthly concert series, featuring newly composed works by composers such as Kenji Bunch, Alexandra Gardner and Nico Muhly, along with modern classics by composers such as George Crumb and John Cage.

Citywater has also collaborated with composers like Steven Mackey, who invited the ensemble to perform a concert of his works in Berkeley, which featured a performance of Heavy Light, with Mackey himself on electric guitar.

Of special interest to Citywater is supporting local composers like Sunny Knable, Bill Clark, Richard Cionco, and Stephen Blumberg, whose works have been premiered on many of Citywater’s concerts.

For more information visit www.citywatermusic.com.



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Creating Joyful Music to Build a Better World

Founded in 2000 by Artistic Director Julie Adams, RSVP's mission is bringing people together through the arts and giving back to the community. RSVP nurtures the community with its highly-praised, dynamic concerts while providing concrete, financial contributions that continue to make a difference long after the applause.

Uplifting Audiences with Great Music from Schumann to Sting

The versatile singers of RSVP perform many genres, from classical choral literature and madrigals to contemporary music, freedom songs, folk tunes and jazz. Each creative and artistic concert is tailor-made for the audience and the organization being supported.

Making Tangible Contributions to Local Charities

RSVP has enjoyed collaborating with choirs, storytellers, authors and other musicians to present concerts with fresh ideas and imaginative programs. RSVP continually seeks ways to uplift audiences and support the communities it serves. To this end, all members of RSVP donate their time so that all concert proceeds go to local charitable organizations in need.

For More Information

RSVP is available for private parties and special events. If you or someone you know would be interested in sponsoring RSVP during the season, please contact us at (916) 624-4933.

To learn more about RSVP, please visit www.rsvpchoir.org. We invite you to join our e-mail list to find out about future concerts. CDs are on sale following each concert.



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www.ssipfoodcloset.com

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www.weaveinc.org

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www.doctorswithoutborders.org

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www.lakewoodbeacon.org

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www.wusd.k12.ca.us

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www.crhkids.org

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www.seniorsfirst.org/meals_on_wheels.htm

Rebuilding Together (February 2005)

www.rebuildingtogethersacramento.org

Adopt an Elder (May 2004)

www.adoptanelderfoundation.com

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www.peaceforfamilies.org

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www.sacloaves.org/programs/mustardseedschool

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www.strength.org

www.sfbs.org

Literacy Support Council of Placer County (January 2003)

Placer Adult Literacy Service

www.placer.ca.gov/Departments/Library/adultliteracy.aspx

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www.childcancer.org

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(April 2002)

www.kidshome.org

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www.tlkfoundation.org

Neighborhood Breakfast Program, Roseville (February 2001 and

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www.fpcroseville.org

RSVP Needs You!

Find out how tonight.

Dear RSVP Fans and Supporters,

As you may be aware, RSVP's beloved founder and Artistic Director, Julie Adams, will be leaving RSVP after the 2012-13 season. We are extremely grateful to Julie and her husband, Doug, for all their efforts over these 13 remarkable years. Because of their diligent stewardship, RSVP is a thriving and financially sound organization today. However, in the coming months a variety of leadership and support roles previously filled by Julie and Doug will need to be filled by enthusiastic volunteers dedicated to RSVP's mission and music. We're asking you to show how much RSVP matters to you by being one of those volunteers.

The roles we need to fill are not tremendously time consuming, but each role can benefit from people with matching skills and interests. For each area listed below we are looking for multiple volunteers, ideally one person to take a leadership role plus others to assist the leader. The more volunteers, the lighter the load and the more we can accomplish together.

To learn more about these areas, please see one of our representatives at the RSVP table during intermission or after the concert.

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Join the Auxiliary (provide help during concert events)
Serve on the Board of Directors
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Thank you for all of your support over the years – for attending concerts, contributing to our concert beneficiaries, and for giving your time, energy and financial support to RSVP. We look forward to sharing the gift of music with you for many years to come.

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May 10, 2013, 7:30 p.m.

Granite Springs Church, Lincoln

May 11, 2013, 7:30 p.m.

St. John's Lutheran Church (Reception following concert)

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