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A CONCERT SERIES BENEFITING CCHAT Center

with Special Guest Kevin Doherty

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Friday, November 2 at 7:30 pm Journey Church • 450 Blue Ravine Rd, Folsom

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Jennifer Reason, Artistic Director

Please turn off all cell phones and electronic devices. No flash photography or recording of any kind is permitted. RSVP Recycles! If you do not wish to keep your program, please place it in the box in the lobby. Thank you!

At the end of all things is Love.

Love is the song of hope, Love is the beacon in the night, Love is the path that guides us home.

And it sings:

We are one

We belong

Wyley Wilkin

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It Takes a Village

Tonight's concert will be performed without an intermission

Sound of Silence

Lonesome Road

James Taylor, arr. Keir MacMillan Soloist: Andy Michael Paul

Simon and Garfunkel, arr. Darita Seth

At the End of All Things Is Love

Ode to Joy ('An die Freude')

Text by Friedrich von Schiller, Music by Ludwig van Beethoven. Arr. Michal Zielinski

please hold your applause

Cantigue de Jean Racine

Selections from Songs of Travel Special Guest, baritone Kevin Doherty

CHARITY PRESENTATION

Let My Love Be Heard

Bring Me Little Water, Silvy

Stand In That River Moira Smiley Soloists: Andy Michael Paul, Lara Pucik Johnson, Allison Kanemoto, Jodi Serrano

Eric Rosander, bass; Keir MacMillan, guitar; Aaron Gardner, percussion

Voice Dance

It Takes A Village

Soloists: Jordan Thomas Rose, Karen Percy, Thomas Warrick, Lin Kassouni-Walker Percussion: Aaron Gardner and Jodi Serrano

Gabriel Faure

Ralph Vaughn Williams

Greg Jasperse

Joan Szymko

Text by Alfred Noyes,

Text by Huddie Ledbetter, Music by Moira Smiley

Music by Jake Runestad

Wyley Wilkin, for RSVP



RSVP Singers

Jennifer Reason Artistic Director

Noreen Barnett Monica Crumley Aaron Gardner Sarah Haynes Len Jones Allison Kanemoto Lin Kassouni Walker Jeremy Kauffman Keir MacMillan Andy Paul Karen Percy Lara Pucik Johnson Joshua Ray Bethany Robarts Eric Rosander Jodi Serrano Jordan Thomas Rose Thomas Warrick Wyley Wilkin

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Artistic Director

Jennifer Reason joined RSVP as a singer in 2009 and took over the position of AD in 2014. She has extensive experience in the choral field and is an accomplished pianist, performer and music director. Ms. Reason made her international choral conducting debut in St. Peter's Basilica, Vatican City, as part of the

Festival of Peace and Brotherhood. She previously oversaw the founding of the choral arts program at George Washington Carver School of the Arts in Sacramento, and was also a five year member of the artistic staff with the Sacramento Children's Chorus. Other notable previous choral positions include being a founding member of Sacramento State's award-winning vocal jazz ensemble, C-Sus. (Downbeat Award: Best Collegiate Vocal Jazz Ensemble, US/Canada.)

Ms. Reason was selected as a 2016 winner of the Sacramento. Business Journal's Top 40 Under 40 Award! She is in high demand as a performer and has appeared in solo and ensemble performances throughout Europe, the United States and Canada, notably including the Schlern and Orfeo International Music Festivals in Italy, the InterHarmony International Music Festival in Germany, the Festival of Peace and Brotherhood in Italy, and two appearances at Carnegie Hall, as well as the Liszt Academy in Hungary. A widely versatile artist, Ms. Reason has also shared the stage with many diverse acts ranging from Tony Award winner Faith Prince, to members of Journey, Santana, Tower of Power and Sly and the Family Stone, to composer John Rutter, to actor Billy Bob Thornton, Governor Jerry Brown, and baseball's Tony La Russa. In addition to her work with RSVP, Ms. Reason is also a founding member of the 10 year old modern chamber ensemble Citywater — currently Ensemble in residence at CSUS, and the Music Director of the newly formed Rogue Music Project, a music collective formed to challenge current perceptions of opera through unpredictable, adventurous,

and socially conscious performances. Upcoming projects include 50th Anniversary of The Beatles White Album, Live in Concert! at the Harris Center, faculty recitals at Mars Hill University North Carolina and University of Montana, and working as a stand-in classical music host for Capital Public Radio!

www.jennifer-reason.com

GUEST ARTIST KEVIN DOHERTY



"A wonderful actor...strong both vocally and dramatically..." - Alan Sherrod, Metro Pulse, Knoxville, TN

Kevin Doherty is the host of Morning Classical at Capital Public Radio in Sacramento and an accomplished classically trained singer and performer. Praised for his powerful voice and engaging stage presence, Kevin has sung leading roles in many of the canon's masterpieces including *La Boheme*, *Die Fledermaus, Le Nozze di Figaro, Don Giovanni, II Barbieri di Siviglia, L'Italiana in Algieri, L'Elisir d'Amore, La Traviata,*

Rigoletto, II Trovatore, Lucia di Lammermoor and more. Kevin performs everything from concerts to karaoke.

Driven by a desire to produce music on his terms, Kevin dug into his entrepreneurial spirit co-founded a company in Knoxville, Tennessee called Marble City Opera in 2013. MCO produces shorter and smaller scaled operas in unique spaces across the area. Now, Kevin is looking to push the boundaries of classical music convention even further with The Rogue Music Project, a collective of musicians currently based in Sacramento. RMP cultivates adventurous musical and theater experiences for audiences in the region.

In addition to his role as Morning Classical host CapRadio, Kevin emcees local concerts, conducts interviews with world-class musicians, and produces radio features. You can find out more about Kevin at his website, www.kevinricharddoherty.com.



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Our thanks to the RSVP Auxiliary for their continued support and hands-on help. If you're interested in joining the auxiliary to help at upcoming RSVP concerts or events, please contact the Auxiliary Coordinator, Joe Dellly, at volunteers@rsvpchoir.org.

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MISSION

Creating Joyful Music to Build a Better World

Founded in 2000 by former 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.

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) 905-7787.

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



CCHAT is a listening and spoken language program whose mission is to teach children with hearing loss to listen and develop spoken language. CCHAT's aim is to help each child be able to access mainstream education and integrate into the community at large. Children with hearing loss who learn to listen and develop spoken language have academic and literacy outcomes on par with their hearing peers. As a result, the long term benefits of early intervention are tremendous for the child and our community.

Hearing loss is the most frequently occurring birth defect in the US and can be detected at birth before infants leave the hospital. Infants with hearing loss can be fit with assistive listening technology such as hearing aids shortly after diagnosis. Having access to sound supports the health of the auditory nerve and auditory brain development.

CCHAT draws students from 26 different school districts and county programs across Northern California. The program is currently serving 55 children in its 22nd year of operation, and by kindergarten or 1st grade, most children are ready to be mainstreamed into regular classrooms with language levels comparable to their hearing peers.

Research shows that by the time a child with hearing loss graduates from high school, more than \$400,000 per child can be saved by tax payers in special education costs if the child is identified early and given appropriate educational, medical, and audiological services.

Music is for everyone, including children who are deaf or hard of hearing. CCHAT students participate in a daily music program. Music helps develop rhythm, voice quality, language, and self-confidence - not to mention a continuing love of music.

Parents have several communication options for their child with hearing loss, including American Sign Language (ASL), Signed English, Cued Speech, and Listening and Spoken Language. With the many communication options available, parents are in the best position to make a decision that fits their family dynamic. CCHAT is a no cost option for families who choose the program.

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