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Bach Festival Society Remembers 9/11 Attacks at Dr. Phillips Center's Frontyard Festival™

What: Bach Festival Society of Winter Park presents 9/11 20th Anniversary Remembrance: Gabriel Fauré's Requiem

When: Saturday, September 11 at 11:00am

Where: Dr. Phillips Center's Frontyard Festival™ presented by AdventHealth

Who: Bach Festival Choir and Orchestra; John V. Sinclair, conductor; Caitlin Mohr, soprano; Stephen Mumbert,

baritone

(Orlando, FL – August 17, 2021) In the first performance of its 87th season, the Bach Festival Society returns to the Dr. Phillips Center's Frontyard Festival[™] to pay tribute to those lost in the September 11th terrorist attacks 20 years ago. The performance will include the much-loved *Requiem* by Gabriel Fauré.

Those wishing to attend are requested to fill out an interest form at the Dr. Phillips Center's website, www.DrPhillipsCenter.org. Attendees will be seated in boxes on a first-come, first-served basis. Each box accommodates up to six seats. Concessionaires will have lunchtime options available for purchase.

Artistic Director and Conductor John Sinclair describes the program's importance: "The attacks on 9/11 changed so much in our lives, as has the pandemic. Through the power of music, this program is designed to bring solace and remind us of our re-emerging musical community. There is a need to commemorate the resiliency of the human spirit."

Featured soloists for the program are Rollins College professors soprano Caitlin Mohr and baritone Stephen Mumbert.

The program will feature additional works, special guest speakers, and a color-guard presentation to complete the hour-long program. The event is sponsored in part by The Massey Foundation.

About the Bach Festival Society of Winter Park

Founded in 1935 in Winter Park, Florida, the <u>Bach Festival Society</u> is one of the longest continuously operating Bach Festivals in the country and is well ranked among America's great oratorio societies. The Bach Festival Choir and Orchestra bring the highest caliber of classical music to Central Florida in the intimate settings of Tiedtke Concert Hall and Knowles Memorial Chapel on the Rollins College campus for the Society's Annual Bach Festival, Choral Masterworks, and Visiting Artists performances. It presents a variety of educational and community outreach programs year-round. More information is available at <u>BachFestivalFlorida.org</u>.

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