

An evening of choral music honoring our friends at The Bowery Mission who work tirelessly to restore hope for people experiencing homelessness and hunger









Saturday, June 1 8 PM Concert

The Bowery Mission Chapel 227 Bowery, New York City

### Welcome

Homelessness is one of the most visible problems in New York City. We are so frequently confronted with homelessness that that we too easily become numbed to its scope and severity. For this reason, Inspire has dedicated our second season to learning more about what is being done—and what we can do—to support the homeless population of NYC. Thank you for being here to honor and learn more about The Bowery Mission's efforts to restore hope for people experiencing homelessness and hunger.

### About the Program

Tonight's program takes its inspiration from our collaborative artist and legendary Bowery Mission Director of Outreach James Macklin. Throughout the evening, James will share the extraordinary journey that led him to The Bowery Mission and reflect on the guiding principles that motivate his unwavering commitment to serve his community.

In planning for this concert, James recounted for us the story you will hear tonight. We were awestruck by the many profound moments of personal and spiritual revelation he shared. The music you will hear tonight was chosen to respond to key points of his inspired testimony.

Rather than preempt James's story or any specific piece from tonight's selections, we encourage you to read the lyrics printed in the program and allow yourself to be fully present to the comingling of words, melodies, harmonies, and emotions. Finally, as is Inspire's practice, we invite you to join us in conversation at the reception following the program to learn more about The Bowery Mission and share your own reflections.

# **Hope Comes Home**

### with James Macklin

#### I. Prelude

I Will Lift Mine Eyes

Jake Runestad (b. 1986)

II. Out of the Depths

Didn't My Lord Deliver Daniel

Traditional Spiritual

arr. Moses Hogan (1957-2003)

Treble Trio:

Carrie Quarquesso, Laura Stelman Jaeger & Erin Halpin

Steal Away

Traditional Spiritual

arr. Michael Tippett (1905–1998)

Brandon Hornsby-Selvin, *tenor* Megan Chartrand, *soprano* 

De Profundis

Thomas Dusatko (b. 1952)

III. The Nameless Angel

Ave Maria

David MacIntyre (b. 1952)

The 23<sup>rd</sup> Psalm (dedicated to my mother)

Bobby McFerrin (b. 1950)

IV. The Road Home

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Tune: "Prospect," from Southern Harmony 1835

arr. Stephen Paulus (1949-2014)

Sammi Geraci-Yee, soprano

Abide with Me

"Eventide," William Henry Monk (1823–1889)

arr. Greg Jasperse (b. 1956)

V. Hope Comes Home

Even When He is Silent

Kim André Arnesen (b. 1980)

Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross

William H. Doane (1832–1915) arr. Ari Messenger (b. 1993)

joined by James Macklin, Robert Bautista, and Kahreem Roberts, voice Ryan Buchanan, piano

#### I. Prelude

### I Will Lift Mine Eyes

Psalm 121

I will lift mine eyes unto the hills.

From whence comes my help?

My help comes from the Lord

The maker of heaven and earth.

He will not let your foot be moved.

He who keeps you will not slumber nor sleep.

The Lord is thy keeper

The Lord is thy shade upon thy right hand.

The sun shall not harm you by day nor the moon by night.

The Lord will keep you from all evil.

He will keep your soul.

The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in

From this day forth forever more.

### II. Out of the Depths

### Didn't My Lord Deliver Daniel

Traditional Spiritual

Refrain: Didn't my Lord deliver Daniel, then why not every man?

He delivered Daniel from the lion's den, Jonah from the belly of the whale, And the Hebrew children from the fiery furnace, And why not every man? Hallelujah!

The wind blows east and the wind blows west, It blows like the judgement day.

And every poor soul that never did pray
Will be glad to pray that day. Hallelujah!

I set my foot on the Gospel ship, And the ship, it begin to sail. It landed me over on Canaan's shore, And I'll never come back anymore. Hallelujah! Refrain:

Steal away to Jesus; steal away home, I han't got long to stay here.

My Lord He calls me, He calls me by the thunder The trumpet sounds withina my soul, I han't got long to stay here.

Refrain

Green trees abending, poor sinner stand atrembling The trumpet sounds withina my soul, I han't got long to stay here.

Refrain

**De Profundis** free adaptation of Psalm 130 by Thomas Dusatko

Hear me, hear me O Lord, hear me. Out of the depths I cry to you. Hear my despairing plea. O Lord, hear my voice.

May your ears be attentive to my supplications. Hear my call for help. From the depths I cry. If you should record our sins, who could endure?

De profundis clamavi ad te domine.

From you comes all forgiveness of sin.

I wait, my soul waits for you. I trust in his word.

Domine exaudi vocem meam. Speravit. Anima mea in Domino In verbo eius sustinunuit

My Lord, I place my hope. My soul waits for you. More than watchmen for the dawn. I place my trust in you, Lord.

Lord hear my voice.

Lord hear my prayer. Hear me.

### III. The Nameless Angel

#### Ave Maria

Ave Maria Hail Mary

### The 23<sup>rd</sup> Psalm free adaptation of Psalm 23 by Bobby McFerrin

The Lord is my Shepherd, I have all I need. She makes me lie down in green meadows Beside the still waters. She will lead.

She restores my soul, She rights my wrongs. She leads me in a path of good things And fills my heart with songs.

Even though I walk, through a dark and dreary land There is nothing that can shake me. She has said She won't forsake me I'm in her hand

She sets a table before me, in the presence of my foes. She anoints my head with oil And my cup overflows.

Surely, surely goodness and kindness will follow me All the days of my life. And I will live in her house Forever, forever and ever.

Glory be to our Mother, and Daughter And to the Holy of Holies. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be World, without end. Amen.

#### IV. The Road Home

#### The Road Home

Michael Dennis Browne

Tell me, where is the road I can call my own,
That I left, that I lost so long ago?
All these years I have wandered, oh when will I know
There's a way, there's a road that will lead me home?

After wind, after rain, when the dark is done,
As I wake from a dream in the gold of day,
Through the air there's a calling from far away,
There's a voice I can hear that will lead me home.

Rise up, follow me, come away, is the call, With the love in your heart as the only song; There is no such beauty as where you belong; Rise up, follow me, I will lead you home.

#### Abide with Me

Henry Francis Lyte

Abide with me, fast falls the eventide. The darkness deepens; Lord with me abide. When other helpers fail and comforts flee, Help of the helpless, oh, abide with me.

Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day; Earth's joys grow dim, its glories pass away; Change and decay in all around I see; O Lord who changes not, abide with me.

Hold now your word before my closing eyes, Shine through the gloom and point me to the skies; Heav'n's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee; In life, in death, oh Lord, abide with me.

### V. Hope Comes Home

#### Even When He is Silent

Anonymous 20th century

I believe in the sun even when it's not shining, I believe in love even when I feel it not. I believe in God even when He is silent.

#### Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross

Fanny J. Crosby

Jesus, keep me near the cross, There's a precious fountain, Free to all—a healing stream, Flows from Calv'ry's mountain.

#### Refrain:

In the cross, in the cross, Be my glory ever; 'Til my raptured soul shall find Rest beyond the river.

Near the cross, a trembling soul, Love and mercy found me; There the Bright and Morning Star Sheds its beams around me.

Near the cross! O Lamb of God, Bring its scenes before me; Help me walk from day to day, With its shadow o'er me.

Near the cross I'll watch and wait, Hoping, trusting ever, Till I reach the golden strand, Just beyond the river.

## Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross

William H. Doane





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Founded in 1879, **The Bowery Mission** has a storied history of serving New Yorkers experiencing homelessness and hunger. Today, The Bowery Mission is a results-oriented organization recognized as one of New York City's most effective homeless service agencies. While the organization continues its legacy of providing compassionate basic needs services—meals, shelter, clothing, and more—it also offers a full residential continuum of care designed to help adults overcome cycles of poverty and homelessness for good. Programs and services are now provided at nine locations across the New York Metro Area and beyond.

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