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Dear Friend:

The Britten *War Requiem*, is a monumental, poignant, and moving choral masterwork in which the vivid and heart-wrenching poetry of World War I poet Wilfred Owen is chillingly juxtaposed with the traditional Latin Requiem Mass. As our nation terminates one war and strives to resolve another, we cannot but acknowledge the timeless relevance of the *War Requiem*, no matter the distance in time and place from the theaters of war, both past and present.

In a special acknowledgment of the sacrifices of veterans and those still serving, we are offering special dedications to be made in memory or honor of a member of the armed services, to be printed in the program book for performance of Britten's *War Requiem* at the Hult Center for the Performing Arts on February 25. These dedications will reflect the high esteem and gratitude to those so honored, while also supporting the funding of this work, whose presentation requires the participation and extraordinary commitment of many musicians to do justice to the original score and intent of the composer.

We will list the names under the headings "In Memoriam" or "In Honor of Living Veterans/Active Military."

There are two options to make a tax-deductible dedication:

1. Dedicate a one-line "In Memory of" or "In Honor of" a service member/veteran on our special dedication page in the program book for \$25 per name
2. Dedicate one of the *War Requiem*'s six movements "In Memory of" or "In Honor of" a service member/veteran for \$500

The dedication form must be returned by February 15. You may also call the Eugene Concert Choir office and request your dedication by phoning 541-687-6865.

We hope that we can all come together to experience a magnificent work and remember those who have risked their lives in duty to their country. If you are not able to attend the performance, you may still make a dedication.

Britten *War Requiem*

Saturday, February 25, 2012 • 8:00 p.m.

Silva Concert Hall, Hult Center

with

Tamara Wilson, soprano • Anthony Dean Griffey, tenor • Kevin McMillan, baritone

Eugene Concert Choir • Eugene Symphony • Oregon Festival Choirs

Tickets: \$19-\$36 – Visit or Phone the Hult Center Box Office at 541-682-5000