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IOCSF ANNOUNCES PROGRAMMING FOR HOLIDAYS WITH A TWIST! TAKING PLACE DECEMBER 1-2

CONCERT SERIES TO FEATURE ALL NEW WORKS FROM COMPOSERS AROUND THE WORLD

TICKETS ON SALE NOW

San Francisco, CA (November 14, 2023) – The **International Orange Chorale of San Francisco** (IOCSF) announced today the programming for **Holidays with a Twist!**, a concert of entirely new works that fully reimagine and riff on holiday season melodies, carols, hymns and more. **Holidays with a Twist!** will take place at 8 p.m. in Berkeley on Friday, December 1 at Christ Church East Bay (2138 Cedar Street) and in San Francisco at St. Matthew's Lutheran Church (3281 16th Street) on Saturday, December 2. Tickets (\$25-\$40) are available online now at <u>iocsf.org/events</u>, with community tickets available at no cost.

"We're thrilled to present an exciting program of all-new works to the Bay Area this season," said IOCSF Artistic Director **Zane Fiala**, "From heartfelt rearrangements of holiday favorites like Feliz Navidad and Joy to the World, to innovative and contemplative settings of traditional carols including Silent Night and the Holly and the Ivy, this concert series will showcase IOCSF's ability to perform diverse repertoire from around the world."

World premieres include **GP Eleria's** "Noel, Ave," **Motshwane Pege's** "O Holy Night," **Thomas Peters**' "The Holly and the Ivy," **Pasquale Tassone's** "March of a Different Drummer," **Alden Terry's** "Bells," **José Daniel Vargas**' "Feliz Navidad," **Nicholas Weininger's** "Hanukkah Blessings," and **Tyler Zwink's** "O Tannenbaum. " San Francisco Bay Area premieres include **Amy Gordon's** "Joy To the World," **Cole Reyes**' "Alleluia (The Rose)," and **Patrick Vu's** "Silent Night."

"Holidays With a Twist! will offer audiences a new holiday experience this December by showcasing imaginative works by contemporary composers, including several pieces from our very own IOCSF members, GP Eleria and Nicholas Weininger!" said IOCSF Executive Director **Giacomo DiGrigoli**. "We're incredibly excited to share the world premieres of their works along with new works from composers all around the world — from San Francisco to South Africa."

ABOUT IOCSF

The International Orange Chorale of San Francisco (IOCSF), led by Artistic Director Zane Fiala, was founded in 2003. Named after the color of the Golden Gate Bridge, the International Orange Chorale of San Francisco is an auditioned, all- volunteer chamber choir devoted to performing established repertoire of all periods, with particular attention to contemporary music, including newly commissioned works by promising composers. For more information on IOCSF, visit the IOCSF website at <u>iocsf.org</u>, and follow them on Facebook at <u>facebook.com/iocsf</u>, Instagram <u>@iocsf</u>, and YouTube at <u>@Internationalorangechorale</u>.

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