From an upstart, volunteer-run choir to the nationally regarded professional institution Seraphic Fire is today, we have journeyed through 15 successful seasons. Your friendship, love of great art, and faithful support is felt in everything we do. Thank you for being a part of our family, and for making Seraphic Fire a part of yours.

Patrick Dupré Quigley
Founder & Artistic Director

Chairing Seraphic Fire’s Board of Directors during our 15th Anniversary Season has been inspiring. Fifteen years of incredible Seraphic Fire sound would not be possible without the experience, dedication, and passion of our artists, staff, Directors, subscribers, partners, donors, and volunteers. And my sincerest appreciation goes out again to everyone who continues to make the music we love possible.

Alaina Foris-Wojtowicz
Board Chair

I joined this organization three years ago because I saw a tremendous opportunity to develop a foundation of support for the inspired and beautiful performances created by Patrick. The artists, and the music they create, lift our spirits and this community. Because of your continued investment, we can look as far as our 20th Season!

Rhett M. Del Campo
Executive Director
# Season 15 Artist Roster

## Soprano
- Sarah Brailey
  - New York, NY
- Cait Frizzell
  - Stuart, FL
- Jolie Greenleaf
  - New York, NY
- Sara Guttenberg
  - Madison, WI
- Rebecca Myers
  - Philadelphia, PA
- Sarah Moyer
  - Boston, MA
- Molly Netter
  - New Haven, CT
- Molly Quinn
  - New York, NY
- Margot Rood
  - Washington, DC
- Meredith Rudaski
  - Austin, TX
- Amanda Sidebottom
  - New York, NY
- Brenna Wells
  - Seattle, WA

## Alto
- Luthien Brackett
  - New York, NY
- Amanda Crider
  - Miami, FL
- Doug Dodson
  - Boston, MA
- Lexa Ferrill
  - Memphis, TN
- Mary Gerbi
  - Boston, MA
- Diana Grabowski
  - Dallas, TX
- Margaret Lias
  - Boston, MA
- Emily Marvosh
  - Boston, MA
- Clara Osowski
  - Minneapolis, MN
- Angela Smucker
  - Evanston, IL
- Virginia Warnken
  - New Haven, CT

## Tenor
- Steven Bradshaw
  - Philadelphia, PA
- Andrew Crane
  - Salt Lake City, UT
- Brad Diamond
  - Birmingham, AL
- Andrew Fuchs
  - New York, NY
- Brian Giebler
  - New York, NY
- Mark Laseter
  - Chatsworth, TN
- David McFerrin
  - Boston, MA
- Patrick Muenchise
  - Chicago, IL
- Tyler Ray
  - New Haven, CT
- Stefan Reed
  - Boston, MA
- Paul John Rudoi
  - Eugene, OR
- Sean Soph
  - Austin, TX

## Bass
- James K. Bass
  - Los Angeles, CA
- John Buffett
  - Los Angeles, CA
- Steven Eddy
  - New York, NY
- Charles Wesley Evans
  - Tampa, FL
- Kyle Ferrill
  - Memphis, TN
- Scott Allen Jarrett
  - Boston, MA
- Enrico Lagasca
  - New York, NY
- Thomas McCargar
  - New York, NY
- Timothy Takach
  - Minneapolis, MN

## Instrumental
- Rick Basehore, oboe
  - Washington, DC
- Alvaro Bermudez, guitar
  - Miami, FL
- Justin Blackwell, organ
  - Boston, MA
- Mary Bowdon, trumpet
  - Naples, FL
- Nathaniel Chase, bass
  - New York, NY
- Josh Cohen, trumpet
  - Washington, DC
- Evan Epifanio, bassoon
  - Sarasota, FL
- Dennis Ferry, trumpet
  - Washington, DC
- Guy Fishman, cello
  - Boston, MA
- Patti Garvey, cello
  - Chicago, IL
- Dominic Johnson, viola
  - Chicago, IL
- Melanie Langon, flute
  - Orange, CA
- John Lenti, theorbo
  - Seattle, WA
- Hilda Oramas, piano
  - Miami, FL
- Kevin Pearl, oboe
  - Milwaukee, WQ
- Edison Scheide, violin
  - New York, NY
- Leon Schelhase, continuo
  - Philadelphia, PA
- Ebenee Thomas, flute
  - Dallas, TX
- Tarn Travers, violin
  - Greencastle, IN

## Featured Guest Artists
- Matthew Albert, violin
  - Ann Arbor, MI
  - The Genius of Philip Glass: Einstein on the Beach
- Nathan Laube, organ
  - Rochester, NY
  - In Remembrance: The Faust and Durell Requiem
- Elena Sharkova, conductor
  - Silicon Valley, CA
  - Rachmaninoff & Schnittke: Russian Choral Treasures

> "It’s been the pleasure of singing with Seraphic Fire since 2012 and immediately it felt like home. Patrick, the artists, the repertoire, and even the weather -- all these create a community I don’t often find in other facets of my music career. Seraphic Fire is so important to me that my fiancé Adam chose to propose during one of our rehearsals!"

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*Margot Rood, soprano*
REPERTOIRE HIGHLIGHTS

GLASS: Einstein on the Beach

DURUFLÉ: Requiem

FAURE: Requiem

HOWELLS: Requiem

J. S. BACH: Jesu meine Freude

J. S. BACH: Singet dem Herrn ein neues Lied

J. S. BACH: The Easter Oratorio

ALLEGR: Misere

MESSIAEN: O Sacrum Convivium

ALBRIGHT: Chichester Mass

15TH ANNIVERSARY COMMISSION PROJECT

Through generous support of the John S. and James L. Knight Foundation, Seraphic Fire’s 15th Anniversary Season featured seven world premieres by emerging and established American composers.

OCTOBER 2016

Patrick Dupre Quigley: Three Ostinati

November 2016

Douglas Cuomo: The Fate of His Ashes

DECEMBER 2016

Susan LaBarr: Songs for the Morning Star

JANUARY 2017

Christopher Theofanidis: Four Leverton Settings

Shawn Crouch: When Music Sounds

APRIL 2017

James Kalilembach: Easter Oratorio

November 2016

Alvaro Bermudez: Orpheus With His Lute
In partnership with Miami-Dade County Public Schools and University of Miami, this free music education program offers a unique and personalized introduction to the art of singing to elementary and middle school students in Miami-Dade County’s most challenged communities.

**INTERACTIVE LEARNING**
Each month, Seraphic Fire artists visited different schools to engage students in dynamic presentations.

**OUTREACH PERFORMANCES**
More than 1,000 students attended specially curated Seraphic Fire performances.

"Choral participation cultivates positive attributes in students. Watching our children experience the joy of making music together reminds me how incredibly human music is, and the responsibility Seraphic Fire has to continue giving back through education opportunities.”

Matthew Anderson, Board of Directors

Seraphic Fire’s Youth Initiative is endowed in perpetuity by The Clinton Family Fund.

**MUSIC SPECIALIST**
Seraphic Fire’s Music Specialist was chosen from a pool of highly qualified candidates in UM’s graduate music education program. Alongside Seraphic Fire’s Education Administrator, the Music Specialist served as a liaison between Seraphic Fire’s artistic leadership and Youth Initiative students through weekly in-school residencies at Natural Bridge Elementary in North Miami. During this residency, the Music Specialist led student rehearsals in preparation for Youth Initiative performances with Seraphic Fire in December 2016 and May 2017.

Carlos Santiago,
Music Specialist

**CONDUCTING APPRENTICE**
During Season 15, Seraphic Fire selected a conducting apprentice from University of Miami’s choral conducting program. Working in close partnership with Director of Education James K. Bass, the Conducting Apprentice regularly attended Seraphic Fire rehearsals and conducted the ensemble during performances in December 2016 and May 2017.

Kyle Nielsen,
Conducting Apprentice
### Audience Statistics

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**Total**

45 Concerts  
16,076 Total Attendance

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“[The] performance that transcended technique and operated solely on the level of real music.”

Cleveland Plain Dealer

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“As a Naples resident, I am witnessing how an organization like Seraphic Fire can bring a community together through great music and friendship.”

Claudia Polzin, Board of Directors
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Making a difference today and tomorrow.

It was Irwin Shainman, my professor at Williams College in Massachusetts, who instilled in me an appreciation for vocal music. That love manifests itself today in my service to Seraphic Fire. By combining annual support with a planned gift, I am able to have an impact now, and ensure future generations can reap the benefits of this South Florida treasure.

William Jaume, Board of Directors
PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE

To secure its place in the South Florida community for many years to come, Seraphic Fire has begun building an endowment with 3 funds at the Coral Gables Community Foundation.

THE SERAPHIC FIRE ENDOWMENT FUND
In support of the organization’s long-term artistic goals

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Endowed in perpetuity with a generous gift from The Clinton Family Fund, Bruce and Martha Clinton

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A Board-restricted reserve fund established in memory of Miami philanthropist and arts activist Ruth Sackner

OVERALL ENDOWMENT FUND $608,000

“...are we fortunate to have the world-renowned and preeminent Seraphic Fire in our community! It is our distinct pleasure to support Seraphic Fire and their long-term goals with their Endowment Fund at the Coral Gables Community Foundation. We enjoy our special partnership with Seraphic Fire and look forward to continuing to support their commitment to bringing talent, world-class performances and arts education to the greater community.”

Mary Snow, Executive Director, Coral Gables Community Foundation

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