### High School Honor Choir with guest clinician Sydney Guillaume and featuring the Frost Chorale

Friday, November 1, 2024 ~ <mark>9am-ca.9pm</mark> University of Miami Gusman Concert Hall 1314 Miller Dr, Coral Gables, FL 33146

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We are very excited to provide this opportunity for your students to work with internationally renowned composer, conductor, clinician, and University of Miami alum Sydney Guillaume! High school students from across the state (and beyond) will join us for a day of workshops and music-making with Mr. Guillaume, Dr. Matthew Brady, and the students of the Frost Choral Studies Program.

#### Who is Sydney Guillaume?

Praised by the Miami Herald for their "impressive maturity and striking melodic distinction", Sydney Guillaume's compositions are known to be intricate, challenging and yet highly spirited. They promote human values and are full of heart and passion. His compositions continually enthrall choirs everywhere and have been performed around the world. They have been featured at numerous conferences and international festivals like the American Choral Directors Association (ACDA), the World Choir Games and Ireland's Cork International Choral Festival. He is an active member of the choral community as a composer, singer, clinician and conductor. In 2017, he was honored by the top music school in Haiti for his "great contribution in the expansion and the promotion of the music and culture of Haiti around the world."

Guillaume also writes film music – he has written original film and documentary scores for the Los Angeles based company Loyola Productions.

Since 2013 he has been the conductor of Imbroglio Sextet, a group of musicians from Haiti, Spain, Bolivia and the United States. His recent activities as conductor also include the 2019 Florida All-State Middle School Treble Chorus, the 34<sup>th</sup> annual Idaho State University Choral Invitational Festival, the 2018 Maine All-State High School Mixed Chorus, an all-Guillaume concert at New York City's Lincoln Center, the 2018 Virginia District 12 High School Mixed Chorus, and concerts with the Imbroglio Sextet at Carnegie Hall and at the 2018 ISME World Conference in Azerbaijan.

Sydney Guillaume graduated from the University of Miami in 2004 where his works were performed by the Miami University Chorale conducted by Dr. Jo-Michael Scheibe. Originally from Port-au-Prince, Haiti, he is currently residing in Portland, Oregon, working as a full-time composer, conductor and clinician.

#### Who is the Frost Chorale?

The premier choral ensemble at the Frost School of Music, the Frost Chorale performs the entire canon of choral music, gives world premieres, makes acclaimed recordings, and travels both nationally and abroad. The Chorale has appeared at regional and national conventions and regularly joins professional orchestras to perform the great choral-orchestral repertoire.

#### Who can participate in the honor choir?

This is an opportunity for you to honor your highest achieving students to come make music with world-renowned composers and clinicians. There is no audition; instead, high school choral directors can register up to two quartets (total eight students, balanced number of sopranos, altos, tenors, and basses) to participate. We are looking for those truly dedicated students of a high musical caliber who will relish a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity such as this. If you would like to participate, but have need to bring fewer or more than the requested amount (or would like to request to bring an unbalanced quartet), please reach out to us at <u>FrostHonorChoir@miami.edu</u> – include the number of students you wish to bring, and their voice parts.

### IMPORTANT DATES

Friday, September 20	Deadline to register students
Friday, October 4	Registration payment must be received (see below)
	Release Agreement forms signed and uploaded here
Wednesday, October 23	Vehicle information due if parking on campus (see below)
Friday, November 1	Honor Choir Day, <mark>9am-ca.9pm</mark>
	This year, we are very excited to offer a formal Honor Choir
	performance as part of the Frost Chorale concert with Sydney
	Guillaume at 7:30pm in Gusman Concert Hall - please plan to
	stay for the entire performance

#### Registration

To register students, complete the Google Form (below) with the following information:

- Director information
- School/Organization information
- Chaperone information
- For each student: name, voice part, emergency contact name and phone, and t-shirt size
- If you would like to purchase a parking pass from the University
- Indication that the director(s), chaperone(s), and student participants have read and understand the University of Miami's Youth Protection Policy, found <u>here</u>. (Please share this link with the students.)

### **<u>Register Here</u>**

Once registration is complete, you will be emailed an invoice you can use to complete payment (see below).

How should I select my students?

You may use any method you wish. If you have students in mind you know would rise to the challenge and excel at this opportunity, you can pick them with no audition. If you would like to audition your students, that is fine as well. We only need to know who you are sending.

#### Payment

<u>Price List</u>: Student: \$45 Teacher/Director/Chaperone: \$30 Parking Pass: \$11 \*Buses are free to park on campus - no parking pass is required

Once registration is complete (see Google Form above), you will be emailed an invoice. To pay this invoice with a credit card (preferred), follow this link: <u>click here</u>.

Payment can also be submitted via check made out to University of Miami. Please mail checks to:

University of Miami c/o High School Honor Choir 5499 San Amaro Drive, PLF N 303 Coral Gables, FL 33146

\*\*\*Payment must be **received** by Friday, October 4th.

#### **Release Agreement Form**

Along with your invoice, please complete the attached Release Agreement Form. Please have all students and their appropriate guardians sign this form. When signed, please upload PDFs of the forms <u>here</u>.

#### Music

Once payment is received, students (and teachers) will receive a digital copy of the music they are to learn. They should print their own music to bring with them in a **black folder or binder**. Students need to be able to confidently sing their voice part when they arrive at the honor choir so that we do not need to review notes and rhythms. To aid in the learning process, we will provide practice tracks for all pieces.

Selected Pieces: "Kanaval" and "Tchaka" by Sydney Guillaume

### ATTENDING THE HONOR CHOIR

#### **Teachers and Chaperones**

Each school/organization must have <u>at least one chaperone</u> registered and in attendance at all times throughout the honor choir. <u>Chaperones must have a level two background</u> <u>check in order to represent their school/organization and attend the Honor Choir event</u>. Many schools require registered chaperones to have this background check already; if you are unsure, check with your administration. We do NOT need documentation that this has been completed. The chaperone may be the teacher/director. Please follow your organization's/school's, and county's guidelines for chaperones. Chaperones are responsible for our guest students and must be with them at all times during the Honor Choir. Teachers/directors are not required to attend, but are highly encouraged. This will be a wonderful opportunity to watch Mr. Guillaume and Dr. Brady work with your students, and we will sign any paperwork needed to count this as professional development. If a teacher attends, they must also register.

#### Transportation

Students/chaperones/directors will need to provide their own transportation to and from the honor choir. You have the option to purchase a parking pass from the University for \$11 (paid as part of registration) to park on campus. (Buses do NOT need parking passes.) When purchased, you will receive a link to enter your vehicle information. Please do so by <u>Wednesday, October 23</u>. Parking passes are registered digitally through the University; therefore, you will not receive a physical pass. (The parking pass is for Friday only; if parking on other days, please follow visitor parking guidelines found <u>here</u>.) Visitor parking will be in Pavia and Levante Garages (see parking map attached to this document). You may also use paid street parking along San Amaro Drive if you do not wish to purchase a pass. If you wish to fly and rent a car, the closest airport is Miami International Airport (MIA).

#### Schedule

Registration begins at 8am in the Gusman Concert Hall lobby. The honor choir begins at 9am with lunch and dinner breaks (on your own) and concludes with the combined Frost Chorale and Honor Choir concert at 7:30pm. **It is important all participants stay and perform in the evening concert.** Only honor choir participants, chaperones, and teachers

are allowed in the honor choir rehearsals during the day, but all friends and family are invited to attend the concert at 7:30pm.

<u>Friday Concert</u>: This year, we are very excited to offer a formal honor choir performance on the Gusman stage. All Honor Choir participants will perform with the Frost Chorale, Dr. Matthew Brady, and Sydney Guillaume on Friday, November 1st at 7:30pm in Gusman Concert Hall as part of the Frost Concert Series. They should wear their honor choir t-shirt and solid black bottoms. All Honor Choir participants, once registered, will receive a code for one free ticket to the concert (for a friend or family member; honor choir participants will sit in the audience and do not need a ticket). Once you receive the code, sign up for tickets quickly, as these spots are limited. Ticket information is <u>here</u>. The performance will also be live-streamed through the Frost Music Live website <u>here</u>.

#### Lunch

Lunch will be on your own on the University of Miami campus. There are several restaurant options within walking distance. <u>All students must be with their chaperone during lunch.</u>

#### Dinner

Dinner will be on your own in Coral Gables around the campus. (Most campus food locations are closed at this time.) There are numerous restaurant options within driving distance. All students must be with their chaperone/parent/guardian/teacher during dinner. It is important all students are picked up at 4:30pm outside Gusman Concert Hall and return by 6:30pm. No students may stay in Gusman, as there will be other rehearsals.

#### Expectations

It is the expectation that all students will be on their best behavior throughout the honor choir. You are representatives of your school and guests of the University of Miami. Please make sure you are familiar with and follow your own school/organization's code of conduct. In addition, please read the University of Miami's Youth Protection Policy, found <u>here</u>.

#### Attire

During the day, students should wear school-appropriate attire that is casual but still looks nice. (Long pants, skirt, jeans without rips, nice t-shirt, blouse, etc.). If they have a t-shirt from their school/organization Chorus program, they are welcome to wear that. Upon arrival, each student will receive a t-shirt. For the concert, please wear this honor choir t-shirt and solid black bottoms that go at least to the knees. There are no specific shoe requirements.

#### **Hotel Accommodations**

For those needing overnight lodging, the following hotels are close to the University. There are many other options as well - these are just some places to start looking:

Hampton Inn Miami Dadeland 8200 SW 70th Ave Miami, FL 33143 305-269-0072 Website

<u>Four Points by Sheraton Coral Gables</u> 3861 S.W. 40th Street Coral Gables, Florida, 33146 305-567-0534 <u>Website</u>

Miami Marriott Dadeland 9090 S Dadeland Blvd, Miami, FL 33156 305-670-1035 Website

#### <u>Courtyard Miami Dadeland</u> 9075 S Dadeland Blvd, Miami, FL 33156 305-670-1220 <u>Website</u>

<u>Hilton Miami Dadeland</u> 9100 N Kendall Dr, Miami, FL 33176 786-975-1920 <u>Website</u>

#### **Campus Tour**

While you are here, consider turning your trip into a college visit! In addition to many excellent courses of study (especially music!), the University of Miami in Coral Gables has a beautiful campus with many unique qualities. If you would like to schedule a campus tour a day or two before or after the honor choir, please <u>click here</u>. The Frost School of Music also offers excellent tours that you can schedule <u>here</u>. Hurry! Spots fill up quickly.

We are very excited about this opportunity to host your students! If you have any questions, please email us at <u>FrostHonorChoir@miami.edu</u>.

#### FROST HONOR CHOIR AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI

#### CONSENT, WAIVER AND RELEASE AGREEMENT PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

IN CONSIDERATION for being permitted to participate in the **FROST HONOR CHOIR** event (the "**FROST HONOR CHOIR**"), being held in the Gusman Concert Hall 1314 Miller Dr, Coral Gables, FL 33146 at the University of Miami on November 1, 2024. I, \_\_\_\_\_\_, hereby agree as follows:

- 1. I acknowledge and expressly consent to my participation in the **FROST HONOR CHOIR** event being held Gusman Concert at the University of Miami on November 1, 2024.
- 2. I acknowledge that my child's participation and presence at the **FROST HONOR CHOIR** may expose him/her to risks and dangers, some being inherent in the nature of the activity, some resulting from human error and negligence on his/her part and/or on the part of other personnel working or participating in the activity. I acknowledge that any of the above-referenced risks and dangers may cause damage or loss of personal property, personal injury and even death, and I fully assume and accept these risks and dangers.
- 3. I understand that my child's participation in <u>FROST HONOR CHOIR</u> activities is entirely voluntary on the part of my child and agree that it is my child's responsibility to (1) act within the limits of his or her ability; (2) heed all warnings about participating in any activity; (3) control his/her person, equipment and devices used to participate in an activity; and (4) not act in any way that may cause injury/death or contribute to the injury/death of others or of himself/herself while participating in any activity.
- 4. I hereby agree to assume and take on behalf of my child, his/her family, heirs and personal representative(s), all of the risks and responsibilities in any way associated with my child's participation in the <u>FROST HONOR CHOIR</u>. I hereby agree to release, waive, indemnify and hold harmless the University of Miami, its officers, directors, trustees, employees, faculty, students, volunteers, agents and representatives (collectively, referred to as the "<u>University</u>") from any and all claims, demands, damages, causes of action, suits, whether in law or in equity or however caused, against, including without limitation, any damage to or loss of personal property, any personal injury and/or death, which my child or I may have or may acquire as a result of his/her presence and participation in the <u>FROST HONOR CHOIR</u>, including, without limitation, damage, loss, injury and/or death caused by the negligence, in whole or in part, of me, my child, the University or any third party.
- 5. I understand and agree that this Consent, Waiver and Release Agreement applies whether the University of Miami is at fault or not.
- 6. I understand and agree that the University of Miami may not have medical personnel available at the location of the <u>FROST HONOR CHOIR</u>. I hereby grant permission to the University of Miami to authorize emergency medical treatment, if necessary, and agree that such action by the University of Miami shall be subject to the terms of this Consent, Waiver and Release Agreement.



I understand and agree that the University of Miami assumes not responsibility for any injury or damage which might arise out of connection with such authorized emergency medical treatment.

- 7. I understand that in securing the execution of this Consent, Waiver and Release Agreement, the University of Miami is acting as agent or trustee on behalf of or for the benefit of its respective employees, agents, officials, faculty, students, servants and representatives, whether paid or unpaid, who shall to this extent be, or be deemed to be, parties to this Agreement.
- 8. This Consent, Waiver and Release Agreement shall serve to benefit and bind the University of Miami and myself and our respective heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns.
- 9. This Consent, Waiver and Release Agreement shall be governed and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Florida, and any dispute arising from or relating to this Agreement shall be brought exclusively in a court of competent jurisdiction located in Miami-Dade County.
- 10. I certify that I have read the terms of this Consent, Waiver and Release Agreement and understand its contents, and that I wish to be bound by its terms.

I UNDERSTAND THAT THERE ARE RISKS OF INJURY INVOLVED IN MY CHILD'S PARTICIPATION IN THE <u>FROST HONOR CHOIR</u> AND MY CHILD AND I VOLUNTARILY ASSUME SUCH RISK. IT IS MY INTENTION BY SIGNING THIS CONSENT, WAIVER AND RELEASE AGREEMENT TO EXEMPT AND RELIEVE THE UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI FROM LIABILITY FOR PERSONAL INJURY, PROPERTY DAMAGE, OR WRONGFUL DEATH CAUSED BY MY NEGLIGENCE, MY CHILD'S NEGLIGENCE, OR THE NEGLIGENCE OF ANY OTHER PERSON(S) PARTICIPATING IN, OR AFFILIATED WITH, THE <u>FROST</u> <u>HONOR CHOIR</u>.

I affirm that I am over 18 years of age.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian Printed Name

Child's Name

Child's C#/ or School

Child's Date of Birth



#### PHOTO / IMAGE RELEASE FORM

I hereby authorize the University of Miami, its employees, agents, contractors, sub-contractors, volunteers, vendors and staff members to take photographic portraits, pictures, digital images or video recordings and/or live transmission(s) of my child in whole, or in part or reproductions thereof in color or otherwise as they may wish (the "<u>Images</u>"), without payment or any other consideration.

These entities listed herein may use and publish the Images in such places, including without limitation, any printed or electronic media or publications, television, cable, the World Wide Web, and any other media. I hereby waive any rights I have or may have to inspect, edit, modify and/or approve the finished product or the specific use to which it may be applied.

On behalf of my child, myself, my heirs, representatives, executors and assigns, I hereby release, discharge and agree to indemnify and hold harmless the University and its agents from all claims, demands, and causes of action that my child or I have or may have by reason of this authorization, including by virtue of blurring, distortion, alteration, optical illusion, or composite form, whether intentional or otherwise, that may occur or be produced in the taking of said photos or videotapes or in processing tending towards the completion of the finished product.

I affirm that I am over 18 years of age.

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