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NORTH CAROLINA OPERA, NEW MUSIC RALEIGH AND CAM RALEIGH PRESENT JOHN SUPKO'S ALL SOULS IN CONCERT

Featuring the New Music Raleigh chamber orchestra, vocalist Ashleigh Semkiw and conductor Timothy Myers

RALEIGH, N.C. (Nov. 6, 2013) – Directly following its world premiere at Washington D.C.'s National Gallery of Art, North Carolina Opera, New Music Raleigh and CAM Raleigh will present John Supko's concert piece ALL SOULS, on Monday, November 25, 7:30 pm at CAM Raleigh.

"In addition to underscoring North Carolina Opera's commitment to presenting a variety of repertoire from the standard to cutting edge, this collaboration between three young and vibrant Raleigh arts organizations illustrates perfectly how each of us value cross-pollination and connecting to our community," said NC Opera's Artistic Director & Principal Conductor Timothy Myers.

Written by composer and Duke University faculty member John Supko, *ALL SOULS* is a setting of nine excerpts drawn from Cees Nooteboom's novel *All Souls Day*. A concert piece utilizing a blend of orchestral composition, electronic sampling, and live and recorded voices, *ALL SOULS* brings to life the intense relationship of a widowed, middleaged documentary filmmaker, and a beautiful, mysterious woman half his age, whom he meets in wintery Berlin. Performed by the New Music Raleigh chamber orchestra, under conductor Timothy Myers, the performance features Canadian vocalist Ashleigh Semkiw, an artist known for her breadth of artistry and style.

"New Music Raleigh is honored to be performing the world premiere of *ALL SOULS* by John Supko. This piece is a demonstration of John's natural ability to compose dramatic, emotionally driven music that creates an experience far beyond what would be typically expected of a small ensemble concert work," said New Music Raleigh Curator Shawn Galvin. "These performances will be incredibly exciting due, in no small part, to the immense talents of Ashleigh Semkiw and Timothy Myers."

"CAM Raleigh is thrilled to be collaborating with the NC Opera and New Music Raleigh. As a museum and an urban community center, we strive to offer visual and performance art experiences that are unique and memorable." *ALL SOULS* is a fantastic example of this type of programming, and we are excited to partner with these creative organizations," said Gab Smith, Executive Director of CAM Raleigh.

ALL SOULS contains mature content and is not recommended for younger audiences.







The performance, beginning at 7:30 pm, will take place at CAM Raleigh, 409 West Martin Street, Raleigh. Tickets, \$25 each, can be purchased through NC Opera - online at www.ncopera.org or by calling the North Carolina Opera offices at 919.792.3850. For more information on *ALL SOULS*, visit www.ncopera.org/performances/all-souls.

ABOUT NORTH CAROLINA OPERA

North Carolina Opera was formed in 2010 from the merger of Capital Opera Raleigh and The Opera Company of North Carolina. It is dedicated to presenting operatic performances at the highest level throughout the Triangle. We also have a robust education program that brings opera to schools across Wake County and surrounding counties. North Carolina Opera brings international level artists to Raleigh, Durham and Chapel Hill, and also engages the best in local Triangle talent. Information about North Carolina Opera's programs and events is available on our website www.ncopera.org or by phone at 919.792.3850.

ABOUT NEW MUSIC RALEIGH

New Music Raleigh, founded in 2009, has become the Southeast's leading voice for the presentation of contemporary classical music. NMR is a collective of dynamic musicians that presents cutting-edge new works and collaborations. New Music Raleigh challenges the traditional perception of classical music through carefully constructed programs and partnerships, by engaging and inspiring diverse audiences, and giving voice to today's most innovative and relevant modern music. NMR audiences experience "Classical music you might call hip," (News and Observer). Information about New Music Raleigh's programs and events visit www.newmusicraleigh.org.

ABOUT CAM RALEIGH

CAM Raleigh, The Contemporary Art Museum in North Carolina, seeks to curate the most current and essential works of art and design today--from artists still emerging, growing and living. Opened in April 2011, CAM Raleigh is among the pioneering museums worldwide exploring what is now and is nearing with a sense of urgency. As an urban community center, CAM Raleigh fosters creative thinking, innovation and collaboration through dynamic exhibitions and programs that are fresh and always changing. CAM Raleigh is located at 409 West Martin Street, Raleigh, NC 27603 in downtown Raleigh's Warehouse District. Information about CAM Raleigh's exhibitions, programs and special events is available on the website at www.camraleigh.org or by phone at 919.513.0946. Follow @camraleigh on Twitter.

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