



Kin

for TB choir and piano

Commissioned in 2015 by The Apollo Club for the Apollo Male Chorus, Dr. Sean Vogt, Artistic Director



Text:

you are all my kin

in the small hours I claim you

set out in your shadow boats let us meet

arriving by sail, by paddle, by oar

on a vastness of water however wild it may be

all of you my kin and I claim you

> - Michael Dennis Browne (Used with permission)

Note from the composer:

There is something intangible about men getting together to sing. It's empowering, fraternal, and totally unique. If I knew what it was I'd bottle it up and sell it, but since I don't I'll settle for trying to capture it in music. When I asked Michael Dennis Browne if I could set his poem "Kin" for male choir, he asked, "Why that poem?" I told him it's because if a choir of male singers is lucky enough to get together and make music, they need to have repertoire in which they can believe, and they need texts that have depth and truth in them - texts that we may not get the chance to say out loud. To me, this poem embodies what it's like to sing in a room full of men, a room full of brotherhood. Most people will never know what that feels like. But that's okay. Because we know.

- Timothy C. Takach, 2015



Reviewed as "gorgeous" (Washington Post) and "stunning" (Lawrence Journal-World), the music of Timothy C. Takach has risen fast in the concert world. Applauded for his melodic lines and rich, intriguing harmonies, Takach has received commissions from the St. Olaf Band, Cantus, Pavia Winds, Lorelei Ensemble, VocalEssence, the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center, The Rose Ensemble, and numerous other organizations. His compositions have been performed on A Prairie Home Companion, The Boston Pops holiday tour, multiple All-State and festival programs and at venues such as the Library of Congress, Kennedy Center and Royal Opera House Muscat. He is a co-creator of the theatrical production of All is Calm: the Christmas Truce of 1914, by Peter Rothstein.

Takach studied music composition at St. Olaf College, Northfield, MN, where he graduated with honors. He has frequent national work as a composer-in-residence, presenter, clinician and lecturer. He is a full-time composer and lives in Minneapolis with his wife and two sons.

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Where Beauty Comes From (ca. 16')

Selected vocal works by Timothy C. Takach:

S	A Depth We Cannot Sound		SATB, vibraphone, marimba, large tom
C	A Worshipper and a Man		SATB a cappella
0	All the Beautiful Names		SATB a cappella
	All Sisters and Brothers		SATB, 2 trumpets, organ
Mixed Voices	And I Saw		SATB div. a cappella
	As the Sunflower Turns on Her God	SSA	ATBB div, Sop. solo, SSATB soli, a cappella
\geq	The Darkling Thrush	(earthsongs)	SATB, SAT soli, a cappella
	Epitaph		SATB, viola
	Listen to the Apples		SATB div. a cappella
	Neither Angels, Nor Demons, Nor Powers	(Graphite Publishing)	SSATBB a cappella
	Nubes Oriebatur: the eruption of Vesuvius		SSATBB a cappella
	One Boy Told Me		SATB, piano
	Something There is Immortal		SSATBB a cappella
	Su Rahva Koda (The House of Your Kindred)		SSAATTBB a cappella
	This Alien Landscape	S	ATB, crotales, suspended cymbal, bass drum
	This Amazing Life		SA(T)B, piano
	To Live Forever		SSATB a cappella
	'Twas in the Moon of Wintertime (arr. Huron Carol)	(Graphite Publishing)	SATB a cappella
	We Are Lost, We Are Lucky		SATB, piano
S	And I Saw		SSAA div. a cappella
0	Cassiopeia		SSA a cappella
>	Goodbye, Then		SSA choir, Bb clarinet, piano
Treble Voices	Home on the Range (arr. American Folk Song)	(Graphite Publishing)	2-part treble, piano
0	Queen of the Range	(Graphite Publishing)	SA choir, piano
<u>n</u>	Serenade	(Graphite Publishing)	SSAA a cappella
_	There is No Rose	(Lorelei Ensemble)	SSAA, SS soli, a cappella
	The Streets of Laredo (arr. American Folk Song)	(Graphite Publishing)	Unison, TTB, piano
	Torn Map	(Graphite Publishing)	2-part treble, piano
es	All Natures, Even Mine		TTTBB a cappella
Men's Voices	Empty		TB (opt. div), piano, opt. djembe
>	Go		TB, hand drum, wood block or clapping
S	Goodbye, Then		TBB choir, Bb clarinet, piano
, C	I Will Howl		TBB choir, piano or cello
Š	It Is Not the Fact That I Will Die That I Mind		TB, piano
	Luceat Eis		TTTBB a cappella
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	Rough Beast	(Jeremy D. Jones Male Ch (Graphite Publishing)	
	Salve Regina She Moyard Through the Fein (orn Trich Polled)	1	TBB semi-chorus, TTBB a cappela
	She Moved Through the Fair (arr. Irish Ballad) Things I Didn't Know I Loved	(Neil A. Kjos Music Co.)	TBB a cappella
	"Twas in the Moon of Wintertime (arr. Huron Carol)	(Graphite Publishing) (Graphite Publishing)	TTBB a cappella TTBB a cappella
	Veni Creator Spiritus	(Graphite Publishing)	ТТВВ а саррена ТТВВ a cappella
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	What I Have Done (arr. Amazing Grace/House of the Rising Sun)		ттъва саррена
KS.	We Made a Grave For Him, And Her Smoke Rose Up Forever (ca. 10')		TTBB a cappella
C	The Longest Nights (ca. 21')		SATB, piano or string quartet



TBB, 2-part, SSAA, SATB; piano