

LEROY ANDERSON FOUNDATION



VoiceBox Choir, August 27, 2023 Photograph by Marc Russell

SARAH MARZE, VOCALIST + COMPOSER, EMMA BOCCIARELLI, PIANIST, ANN ALDRICH, FLAUTIST, AND VOICEBOX CHOIR

On Sunday, August 27, at 2 p.m., composer and vocalist Sarah Marze, pianist Emma Bocciarelli, flutist Ann Aldrich and the VoiceBox conductors Will Mandelbaum and Audrey Rivetta and choir will present a program exploring musical composition and the process of setting words to music. They will invite guests to participate in an open workshop of Marze's new musical composition for choir, piano, and audience participation featuring lyrics by Woodbury Poet Laureate Sandy Lee Carlson. Marze says, "No previous musical experience is necessary to participate in our world premiere and experience the joy of making music together!"

The presenters are recent UConn graduates who earned bachelor of arts degrees in music. While an undergraduate, Marze wrote *Let Us Sing*, a book of six art songs for young voices that are musical settings of six Connecticut poets' works. Marze, Bocciarelli, and tenor Conor Shirshac performed works from the book at the Woodbury Public Library as part of the library's "Celebrating Poetry Day".

VoiceBox choir

VoiceBox is a peer-led, independently-directed choir composed of trained young musicians with diverse musical backgrounds. Established in 2021 by students and alumni of the University of Connecticut,

Voicebox has since performed across Connecticut in schools, churches, and local communities. With repertoire spanning centuries and countless genres of music, this choir is passionate about making choral music accessible and interesting to audiences of all ages and backgrounds. The choir is ecstatic to present their Spring 2024 concert program, featuring a wide variety of sacred and secular choral music, both Classical and Contemporary, by Palestrina, Rheinberger, Busto, Whitacre, and others.

The Leroy Anderson House is located at 33 Grassy Hill Road in Woodbury.

The event is free but reservations are required.

Contact the foundation at leroyandersonfoundation@gmail.com to reserve a seat.