Vocal Artists International (VAI) in
Why We Sing: A Celebration of Black History
Month In Song
Alfonse Anderson, music director
Jae Ahn-Benton, piano
Trinity Dance Arts Academy directed by Monica Armstrong

PROGRAM
Hall Johnson (1888–1970)  Hush, Hush Somebody’s Callin’ My Name
  Ensemble
Hall Johnson  Couldn’t Hear Nobody Pray
  Eliysheba Anderson, alto
George Gershwin (1898–1937)  From Porgy & Bess
  Summertime
  Ensemble
  Sheronda McKee, soprano
  My Man’s Gone Now
  Ensemble
  Lillian Roberts, soprano
  There’s a Boat Dat’s Leavin Soon
  Daniel Hunter, tenor
Traditional
arr. by James Miller  I Wanna Be Ready
  Isabella Ivy, soprano
William Grant Still (1895–1978)  Winter’s Approach
  Stephanie Redman, soprano
John Carter (1932–1981)  From Cantata for high voice and soprano
  Ride on King Jesus
  Lillian Roberts, soprano
Andre Crouch (b. 1942)  Soon and Very Soon
  Ensemble
  Daniel Hunter, tenor
  Isabella Ivy, soprano
Leslie Adams (b. 1932)  Creole Girl
  Sheronda McKee, soprano
Traditional
arr. by H.T. Burleigh
William McCullough, tenor

Margaret Bonds
(1913–1972)
Jonathan Mancheni, tenor

Richard Smallwood
(b. 1948)
Ensemble and Trinity Dance Arts Academy

H.T. Burleigh
(1866–1949)
Christophe Kennedy, bass-baritone

Moses Hogan
(1957–2003)
Ensemble
Athena Mertes, soprano

Edward Boatner
(1898–1981)
Athena Mertes, soprano

Moses Hogan
Daveon Bolden, tenor

Undine Smith Moore
(1904–1989)
Lillian Roberts, soprano

Robert DeCormier
(b. 1922)
Ensemble
William McCullough, tenor
Isabella Ivy, soprano
Lillian Roberts, soprano

Moses Hogan
Christophe Kennedy, bass-baritone

H.T. Burleigh
Isabella Ivy, soprano

Margaret Bonds
(1913–1972)
Cordelia Anderson, soprano

Glenn Burleigh
(1949–2007)
Ensemble

Wednesday, February 26, 2014 7:30 p.m. Dr. Arturo Rando-Grillot Recital Hall
Lee and Thomas Beam Music Center
University of Nevada, Las Vegas
### Ensemble

**Soprano**  
Cordelia Anderson  
Isabella Ivy  
Lillian Roberts  
Athena Mertes  
Sheronda McKee  

**Alto**  
Stephanie Redman  
Nicole Harris  
Eliysheba Anderson  
Nicole Thomas  
JeVoi Blount

**Tenor**  
Daniel Hunter  
William McCullough  
Jonathan Mancheni  
Daveon Bolden  
Jonathan Jefferson

**Baritone/Bass**  
Christophe Kennedy  
Mark McCreery  
Nick Hummel  
Kyle Johnson

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VAI Members: Cordelia Anderson, Daniel Hunter, Jonathan Mancheni, William McCullough, Lillian Roberts, president, and Dr. Alfonse Anderson, advisor