

Boston Symphony Hall

DEFIANT REQUIEM

Verdi at Terezín



The Defiant Requiem Foundation announces the Boston premiere of

Defiant Requiem: Verdi at Terezín

Tuesday, January 27, 2015 at 8:00pm
Boston Symphony Hall

Presented by The Defiant Requiem Foundation

Stuart E. Eizenstat, Board Chair

Created and Conducted by Murry Sidlin

Aga Mikolaj, soprano
Ann McMahon Quintero, mezzo-soprano

Chad Shelton, tenor
Nathan Stark, bass

The Orchestra of Terezín Remembrance

Tanglewood Festival Chorus
John Oliver, conductor

Performed in honor of Edgar and Hana Krasa

**Tickets available starting November 1, 2014, at the Symphony Hall Box Office,
by calling SymphonyCharge at (888) 266-1200 or online at www.bso.org**

Defiant Requiem: Verdi at Terezín tells the story of courageous Jewish prisoners in the Theresienstadt Concentration Camp during World War II who formed a chorus under the leadership of fellow prisoner Rafael Schächter, and performed Verdi's Requiem 16 times, as an act of defiance and resistance to their Nazi captors. The performances allowed the prisoners to "sing to the Nazis what they could not say to them."

The concert/drama features a full performance of the Verdi with video testimony from surviving members of the original prisoner choir, actors embedded in the orchestra, and original Nazi propaganda film footage made at Theresienstadt. The performance is powerful, dramatic and inspirational with a contemporary message of hope. This will be the 27th worldwide performance of Defiant Requiem.

Sponsorship opportunities with prime seating available through The Defiant Requiem Foundation starting at \$1,000. Please contact Louisa Hollman at 301-537-8434 or by email at lhollman@defiantrequiem.org.

"This is an event not to be missed by anyone who is willing to have his or her life changed forever."

– Leonard Slatkin, Music Director, Detroit Symphony Orchestra and Former Music Director, the National and St. Louis Symphony Orchestras