

Pianist Grant Loehnig and Baritone Marcus DeLoach in recital

St. Paul, Minn. – The Macalester Music Department presents pianist **Grant Loehnig** and baritone **Marcus DeLoach** in recital 3 p.m., Sun., Nov. 18, Mairs Concert Hall, Janet Wallace Fine Arts Center, 1600 Grand Ave, St. Paul. The concert is free and open to the public. For more information, call 651-696-6808.

Grant Loehnig, a 2002 Macalester graduate who received his Masters of Music degree in vocal accompanying from Manhattan School of Music, is on the faculty of Rice University's Shepherd School of Music. He is also on the music staff of Wolf Trap Opera Company, where he currently serves as the Wolf Trap Opera Studio Manager and Chorus Master. A recent graduate of the Houston Grand Opera Studio, Loehnig has performed in the orchestras of *Hansel and Gretel* and *Die Zauberflöte*. He can be heard as the solo pianist on the premiere recording of Lee Hoiby's *A Month in the Country*, released by Albany Records.

The *New York Times* has called Marcus DeLoach “a fine baritone who puts words across with clarity and naturalness.” He is considered one of the leading performers of contemporary classical music today and has established himself in the areas of opera, concert, and cross-over. He has performed with the Münchner Philharmoniker, the London Symphony, the New York Philharmonic and the Seattle Opera. DeLoach holds both Bachelor and Master of Music degrees from The Juilliard School and is currently engaged in doctoral studies at Rice University's Shepherd School of Music.

The recital will feature Paul Bowles' *Blue Mountain Ballads* (texts by Tennessee Williams) and *Night Waltz for Two Pianos*, with special guest Macalester Music Prof. Mark Mazullo; poetry of Langston Hughes, with settings by John Musto, William Bolcom, Elie Siegmeister, and Howard Swanson; Robert Schumann's *Liederkreis*, Op. 39; and Gabriel Kahane's *Craig'slistlieder*.

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