



# Virtual Insanity: Mass Shootings & Madness of the Modern World

**AfterGlow Chorus  
Oakland, CA  
October 30 & November 6, 2022**

## **PROGRAM**

### **Prelude**

#### **Prayer for Ukraine**

Ukrainian traditional

*Lord, oh the Great and Almighty / Protect our beloved Ukraine / Bless her with freedom and light / Of your holy rays.*

*Soloist: Alina Mysak*

### **Part I: Loss & Despair**

#### **Pokarekare Ana**

New Zealand traditional

*Remembering the 2019 Christchurch New Zealand mosque mass shooting*

#### **Only in Sleep**

Eriks Esenvalds

*Soloist: Gretchen Baglyos*

#### **Lamentations of Jeremiah**

Z. Randall Stroope

*O you people, who pass this way, look and see, if there exists any sorrow, like unto my sorrow. Remember, Lord, consider and notice our humiliation and disgrace!*

#### **Remember Me (from “Coco”)**

Kristen Anderson-Lopez & Robert Lopez

*Soloist: Jazzy Rodriguez*

### **Part II: Our Cry**

#### **Graceful Ghost Rag**

William Bolcom

*Soloist: Kymry Esainko*

#### **Lacrimosa (Take My Life)**

Isaac Cates

*Soloist: Julian Nesbitt*

#### **Change**

Christina Aguilera (arr. Katherine Bodor)

*Soloist: Criss Burki*

*Remembering the 2016 Orlando Pulse gay nightclub mass shooting*

#### **Lord, Have Mercy**

Pepper Choplin

*Soloists: Samantha Fentress, Natalie Hanson, Erica Fishler*

*Remembering the 2012 Sandy Hook Elementary School mass shooting*

**Water Guns**

Todrick Hall (arr. Ted Gehring)

*Soloists: Samee Ibraheem, Lizzy Elliott, Sean Cooper  
Remembering the 2022 Oakland King Estates campus shootings*

**Part III: Our Response**

**Watch You Burn**

Chris Stapleton

*Guest Artist: Clif Payne  
Remembering the 2017 Las Vegas music festival mass shooting*

**Love's in Need of Love Today**

Stevie Wonder

*Guest Artist: Clif Payne*

**Let My Love Be Heard**

Jake Runestad

*Remembering the 2015 Paris Bataclan music hall mass shooting*

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Jamiroquai

*Soloists: Lilian Rona, Julian Nesbitt*

**Part IV: Peace**

**Way Over in Beulah Lan'**

arr. by Stacey V. Gibbs

**Our Psalm 23**

Gabriella Velez

*Soloist: Shantelle Williams Validié*

**We Shall Walk Through the Valley of Peace**

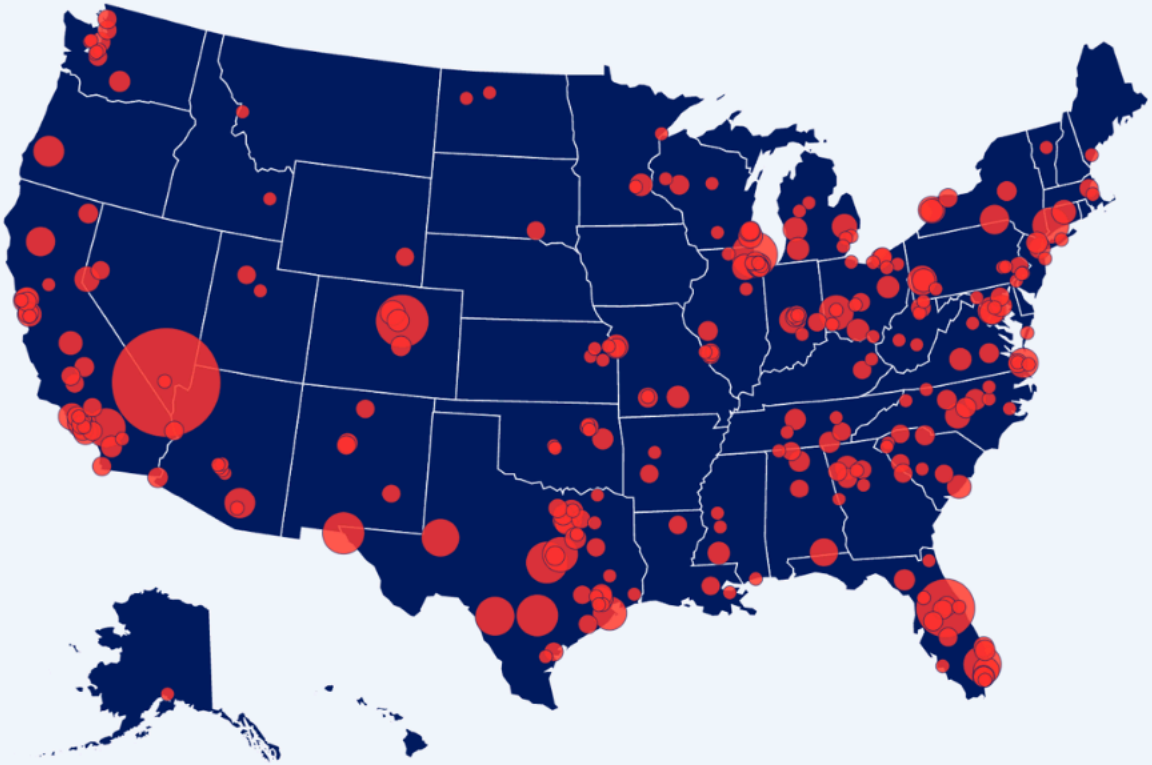
arr. Moses Hogan

**Heaven Help Us All**

Ronald Miller (arr. by Andre Williams)  
*Soloist: Chris Poston*

*Please join us for an informal reception after the concert*

All Mass Shootings  
2009 – 2022



Data is up to date as of: Oct 19, 2022

Since 2009, there have been **284 mass shootings** in the United States, resulting in **1599 people shot and killed** and **1050 people shot and wounded.**  
(source: Everytown Research)

## **Local & National Organizations**

If you may be interested in learning more and possibly donating to organizations related to mass shootings and gun violence, AfterGlow Chorus respectfully suggests the following Oakland and national organizations:

**Youth ALIVE! (Oakland, CA):** “Based in **Oakland**, **Youth ALIVE!** saves lives by preventing violence, intervening in moments of crisis, and healing the trauma violence causes.”  
[youthalive.org](http://youthalive.org)

**The O.G. Rev (Oakland, CA):** “Our biggest problem is apathy, not bullets,” Reverend Harry Louis Williams II said. “We need everyone to share more empathy with each other.” (Press conference at Oakland City Hall, August 30, 2022)  
[theogrev.com](http://theogrev.com)

**Sandy Hook Promise (Newtown, CT):** “Sandy Hook Promise envisions a future where children are free from shootings and acts of violence in their schools, homes, and communities.”  
[sandyhookpromise.org](http://sandyhookpromise.org)

**Stand With Parkland (Parkland, FL):** “*Stand with Parkland is a national organization... committed to advocating for practical public safety reforms focused on the safety of our children and staff at school, improved mental health support, and responsible firearms ownership.*” [standwithparkland.org](http://standwithparkland.org)

# **Save the Date: Upcoming AfterGlow Chorus Concerts**

We thank you for your support at our concerts and hope to see you at our upcoming AfterGlow Chorus concerts in 2023!

**Spring '23: April 30 & May 7, 2023**

**Summer '23: August 6 & August 13, 2023**

**Fall Concerts '23: October 29 & November 5, 2023**



## Guest Artist – Clif Payne



Harlem-born and classically trained, Clif has one of the most beautiful voices in music today. Discovered by jazz icon Bobby McFerrin, Clif has opened in concert for Tony Bennett, Johnny Mathis, Dionne Warwick and has performed with Freda Payne, *Sly & The Family Stone* saxophonist Jerry Martini, Harvey Mason, pianist/arranger Laurence Hobgood, Ledisi, Evelyn "Champagne" King, Sheena Easton, Randy Jackson, Tower of Power, keyboardist David Sancious, saxophonist Dave Koz, former *Chicago* lead vocalist Bill Champlain, the LA acapella ensemble Inner Voices and jazz fusionists Hiroshima.

After years of singing on commercials (Chevrolet, Manwich, Delta Dental, Molson Beer), voiceovers and various artist albums, Clif released his first solo albums, *Welcome To My World* in 2016 and *TOO* in 2018. Both albums were a tribute to the classic R&B stylings of the 1980s & '90s and featured the legendary vocalist Freda Payne in duet with Clif. *Welcome To My World* featured their #1 U.K. R&B hit "No Payne, No Gain."

Check out his website for his upcoming performances around the Bay Area: [www.clifpayne.org](http://www.clifpayne.org).

## **AfterGlow Chorus**

### **Sopranos**

Gretchen Baglyos  
Theresa Brown  
Criss Burki  
Lizzy Elliott  
Samantha Fentress  
Leah Freeman Sloan  
Bria Goggins  
Ranwa Hammamy  
Natalie Hanson  
Candida Haynes  
Jessen Langley  
Hoi Ning Liu  
Alina Mysak  
Nandini Rajgopal  
Annie Vainshtein

### **Tenors**

Bobbie Chen  
Peter Cho  
Sean Cooper  
Swen Ervin  
Samee Ibraheem  
Bryan Knauber  
Chris Poston  
Todd Roman

### **Altos**

Erica Fishler  
Sele Nadel-Hayes  
Maggie Osburn  
Dom Refuerzo  
Lilian Rona  
Kate Sterns  
Shantelle Williams Valadié

### **Basses**

Terence Howzell  
Declan Jones  
Jonathan Li  
Julian Nesbitt  
Joe Orr  
Kevin Shen  
Gerrit Straughter  
Ron Yadin

***Clif Payne, Guest Artist***  
***Kymry Esainko, Collaborative Pianist***  
***Jazzy Rodriguez, Guitarist & Vocalist***  
***Praise Chimuyere Ahans, Drummer***  
***Paul Caccamo, Rehearsal Pianist***  
***Max Addae, Artistic Advisor***  
***Swen Ervin, Creative Director***  
***Arnold Lee, Music Director***