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MUSIC WITH A MISSION – STRIKING A CHORD SINCE 2010

WHAT: Music With A Mission (MWAM) – Music Kitchen
WHEN: Wednesday – March 11, 2020 – 2:00 pm to 3:30 pm
WHERE: The Midnight Mission, 601 S. San Pedro St., LA, CA 90014
WHO: **MUSIC KITCHEN** www.MusicKitchenNYC.org

Music Kitchen - *Food for the Soul* is a non-profit organization based in New York. They have been organizing and performing classical music concerts in homeless communities from New York to Los Angeles and internationally in Paris, France since 2005. Music Kitchen was developed by Kelly Hall-Tompkins, who is a versatile violinist from New York City, and a pioneer of social justice in classical music. Kelly believes *“that music reaches the core of our being and can play a vital role in nourishing hope, love and strength.”* Music Kitchen makes its Carnegie Hall debut to present *The Forgotten Voices Song Cycle* on May 21, 2020. Once a year, they visit The Midnight Mission to perform for our guests and program participants during our Music With A Mission program. The Midnight Mission (TMM) is thrilled to welcome Music Kitchen back for their 3rd visit.

WHY: The Midnight hosts Music With a Mission (MWAM) to entertain and inspire those living on Skid Row. Music is a survival tactic for many people in dealing with life’s difficulties. MWAM is aimed at bringing our community together through music. MWAM is quite simple. Musicians bring their instruments and play for our homeless and near-homeless guests. It is an intimate setting, so musicians have the opportunity to interact with our guests, answer questions and/or talk about music and its history. We encourage musicians to invite their fan base so they can engage and enjoy music with individuals they would not normally encounter in their daily lives. **We are currently looking for sponsors for this ever-growing community event. If you are interested, please contact Georgia Berkovich at 213-624-4588 or gberkovich@midnightmission.org.**

About The Midnight Mission: Founded in 1914, The Midnight Mission offers paths to self-sufficiency to men, women and children who have lost direction. Our emergency services and 12-step recovery, family living, job training, education and workforce development programs offer a compassionate bridge to achieve and maintain healthy, productive lives. We remove obstacles and provide the accountability and structure that people who are experiencing homelessness need to be productive in their communities. Our conviction and commitment to their success define us. For additional information, please visit www.midnightmission.org.