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Ian **KROUSE** (b. 1956)

Armenian Requiem, Op. 66 (2015)

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Tziatzan Children's Choir

Lark Master Singers Vatsche Barsoumian, Chorusmaster **UCLA Philharmonia** Movses Pogossian, Concertmaster

Neal Stulberg

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Composed to mark the centenary of the genocide of 1915, the Armenian Requiem is a large-scale sacred work structured around liturgical chants encountered in requiem services appended to the traditional Armenian Mass. It is written in a form that, uniquely for the music of the country, is not based wholly on the model of the Latin Mass. Instead, taking the precedent of Britten's War Requiem, Ian Krouse embeds poems as interludes, and his work - a poignant meditation on loss couched in a marriage of Western and Armenian forms offers both conciliation and hope.

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