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**Saint Paul Vocal Forum  
presents  
"SING LOVE. BE LOVE"  
Apr 30, May 1**

"Speak to us of Love..." begins a famous excerpt from poet Kahlil Gibran's *The Prophet*. Saint Paul Vocal Forum ([www.spvf.net](http://www.spvf.net)) presents music of living, loving and being, showing that all of us can become what we speak, feel and sing, in their next concert "SING LOVE. BE LOVE." Performances will be at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, April 30 at The Church of St Peter in North St Paul, and 4 p.m. Sunday, May 1 at Mindekirken -The Norwegian Lutheran Memorial Church in Minneapolis. The concerts are free and open to the public, though donations to SPVF will be gratefully accepted.

Returning artistic partners are esteemed poet, **Michael Dennis Browne**, and acclaimed ensemble, the **Lake String Quartet**, along with collaborating pianist **Steve Norquist**.

Saint Paul Vocal Forum (SPVF) artistic director, **Karin Barrett**, has thoughtfully crafted a program of choral vignettes interspersed with the lyrical poetry of Gibran. Compositions by Minnesota natives René Clausen, Elizabeth Alexander and Joshua Shank are featured, as well as SPVF favorites Ola Gjeilo, Morten Lauridsen, Gwyneth Walker, Eric Whitacre and Craig Hella Johnson, among others.

*Of special note:* On Saturday, Apr 23 SPVF presents several selections from this concert during the 5:00 p.m. **Missa Choralis Mass** at the Basilica of St Mary in Minneapolis, as special guest artists participating in this popular weekly series, which regularly welcomes visiting musicians.

Concert-goers are encouraged to bring donations of non-perishable food items, as SPVF partners with Neighborhood House for the programs on Apr 30 and May 1. Neighborhood House in St. Paul provides the tools needed for people to move from "survive to thrive."

Ignite your spirit of joyful discovery! Join the SPVF this spring, as the chamber ensemble continues its tradition of sharing exquisite choral music with people from all walks of life.

More information: [spvf.net](http://spvf.net) or 612-618-0219.

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