

The Shorter College Concert Series

**MUSICAL THEATRE MASTER CLASS
FEATURING THE SONGS OF**

***BENJ PASEK &
JUSTIN PAUL***

PERFORMANCES BY:

Audrey Crocker, soprano

Elizabeth Telford, soprano

Amy Alford, mezzo-soprano/belter

Emily Duke, mezzo-soprano/belter

John Mark Jernigan, tenor

Nick Mason, baritenor

Chris Vizurraga, baritenor

Brookes Chapel, Shorter College

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7:30 P.M.



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ABOUT PASEK & PAUL

Benj Pasek and Justin Paul are an American composer/lyricist team living in New York City. They are recipients of the prestigious 2007 Jonathan Larson Award named after the late composer of *Rent*. At age 21, they became the youngest winners in the history of the foundation. Their musical revue, *Edges*, has been produced dozens of times at various professional theatres and colleges throughout the United States, Canada and Europe, and is available for licensing through Music Theatre International (www.mtishows.com). Pasek and Paul are writers for the Disney Channel television series *Johnny and the Sprites* and contributed music to *White Noise* (a cautionary musical) profiled on *Good Morning America* and *ABC Primetime Live*.

Benj and Justin are also accomplished singers and have developed a following for their uniquely styled concerts where they perform their own music. They've recently played sold-out shows at Joe's Pub and Ars Nova in New York City and The Falcon Theatre in Los Angeles and were invited to participate in the first ever Johnny Mercer Songwriting Festival funded by the American Musical Theatre Project.

Benj and Justin were commissioned to write *Horace and Morris but Mostly Dolores* for Theatreworks USA and were listed as part of the "50 to Watch" upcoming playwrights and composers by *The Dramatist* magazine. They have been interviewed on National Public Radio and were honored as the 2007–2008 Dramatists Guild Fellows. Their music has been featured in Carnegie Hall and on ABC News. They are currently at work on several television and music theatre projects.

PROGRAM

“Lying There”
Audrey Crocker, soprano
Jonathan Parks, piano

“Dispensable”
John Mark Jernigan, tenor
Terry Kinton, piano

“In Short”
Nick Mason, baritenor
Terry Kinton, piano

“Perfect”
Elizabeth Telford, soprano
Jonathan Parks, piano

“Caitlyn & Haley”
Emily Duke, mezzo-soprano/belter
Amy Alford, mezzo-soprano/belter
Terry Kinton, piano

ALTERNATE:

“Part of a Painting”
Chris Vizurraga, baritenor
Jonathan Parks, piano

*Many thanks to the Shorter College Friends of Theatre
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