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WITH LIVE Orchestra

Michael Abels, composer/conductor LA Opera Orchestra The DC6 Singers

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Michael Abels

COMPOSER/CONDUCTOR



Michael Abels is best-known for his scores for the Oscar-winning film *Get Out*, and for Jordan Peele's *Us*, for which Abels won the World Soundtrack Award, the Jerry Goldsmith Award, a Critics Choice nomination, an Image Award nomination, and multiple critics' awards. The hip-hop influenced score for *Us* was short-listed for the Oscar, and was even named "Score of the

Decade" by online publication The Wrap. As a concert composer, Abels has received grants from the National Endowment for the Arts, Meet the Composer, and the Sphinx Organization, among others. His orchestral works have been performed by the Chicago Symphony, the Cleveland Orchestra, the Atlanta Symphony, the Philadelphia Orchestra, and many more. As guest conductor of Get Out with Live Orchestra, Abels has led orchestras like the National Symphony and the San Francisco Symphony. Several of his orchestral works have been recorded by the Chicago Sinfonietta on the Cedille label, including Delights & Dances and Global Warming. He is co-founder of the Composers Diversity Collective, an advocacy group to increase visibility of composers of color in film, game and streaming media. Upcoming projects include Jordan Peele's Nope, the ballet for concert band Falling Sky for Butler University, At War with Ourselves for the Kronos Quartet, and the Hugh Jackman film Bad Education for HBO. His compositions include the one-act opera Homies and Popz, commissioned by LA Opera and premiered in 2000. (MichaelAbels.com)

The DC6 Singers



The DC6 Singers are a Los Angeles-based sextet of dynamic and energetic a cappella, gospel and Motown singers. This weekend's performers include Jyvonne Haskin, Jantré Christian, Tia Simone, Margaret Best-Collins, David Saul Lee and Ronnie Ohannon. Together, the DC6 Singers have been featured on countless stages, national television shows, commercials and professional sound recordings including the original motion picture soundtrack of Jordan Peele's directorial debut *Get Out*, prominently heard on the main title song composed by Michael Abels, "Sikiliza Kwa Wahenga." Over the years, they've grown and now function as a collective of professional singers performing Gospel, a cappella, Motown and pop music styles. Follow the DC6 Singers on all things social media: @dc6singers.

LA Opera Orchestra

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Made up of 62 core musicians, the LA Opera Orchestra can encompass as many as 100 players, depending on repertory. Led since 2006 by James Conlon, the company's Richard Seaver Music Director, the group is lauded for its consummate musicianship, distinctive sound, and versatility. Players in the orchestra also fill principal positions with other distinguished Southern California symphony orchestras, ensembles and chamber groups, and the musicians are regularly heard in Hollywood film, television and recording sessions. Additionally, many are regarded as the region's leading instrumental instructors. Their work with LA Opera has been honored twice in recent years by the Recording Academy, winning Grammy Awards for Best Opera Recording for *Rise and Fall of The City of Mahagonny* (2008) and *The Ghosts of Versailles* (2016).

FIRST VIOLIN	CELLO	BASSOON	TIMPANI
Roberto Cani STUART CANIN	Michael Kaufman PRINCIPAL	William Wood PRINCIPAL	Theresa Dimond PRINCIPAL
Armen Anassian ASSOCIATE	Helen Altenbach ASSOCIATE PRINCIPAL	Theresa Treuenfels, contrabassoon	PERCUSSION
Margaret Wooten	Nadine Hall Trevor Handy	HORN	Scott Higgins PRINCIPAL
CONCERTMASTER Olivia Tsui	BASS	Steven Becknell PRINCIPAL	John Wakefield Jon Schlitt,
SECOND	Asa Maynard PRINCIPAL	Daniel Kelley Jenny Kim	drumset GUITAR
VIOLIN	Frances Liu Wu ASSOCIATE	TRUMPET	Paul Viapiano
Ana Landauer PRINCIPAL Florence Titmus ASSOCIATE PRINCIPAL	PRINCIPAL Don Ferrone, electric bass	Ryan Darke PRINCIPAL Rob Frear	PRINCIPAL KEYBOARDS
Leslie Katz Michele Kikuchi	FLUTE	Bryan Pezzone TROMBONE PRINCIPAL	
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