

# Seeks a Community Chorus for NATURE

## The Project

Do you enjoy being in nature? Would you like to experience a creative process with an ensemble of performers and be a part of a professional performance? <u>TigerLion Arts</u>, led by Tyson Forbes and Markell Kiefer, will be remounting their production of *Nature* - the mythic telling of Emerson and Thoreau's mutual love affair with the natural world. Grounded in the story of their friendship, this virtuosic production offers a perspective on their lives that is strikingly relevant, richly complex, and yet utterly simple. *Nature* will be performed outdoors as a 'walking play,' taking the audience on a journey through the natural environment as scenes unfold around them. We are creating a "Community Chorus" to sing, move and play as a community that surrounds the story, and to represent - both physically and sonically - the many manifestations and deeper levels of the natural world. This is a unique opportunity to gain valuable experience in ensemble-based theatre, choral voice work, as well as to rehearse and perform at the Minnesota Landscape Arboretum--a beautiful outdoor environment unlike any other.

## Who can participate?

Participants do not need to have any prior experience or formal training. We welcome participants of diverse ages and backgrounds - children under 12 years of age should be accompanied by an adult. Participants need to be able to be outside in varying weather for at least an hour and a half at a time, be able to walk on uneven ground, stand, sit, and sing. Participants need to be willing to say "yes" to a creative process and interact with a diverse community of people.

## What is the time commitment?

Participants will attend the following rehearsals at the Minnesota Landscape Arboretum (3675 Arboretum Dr, Chanhassen, MN 55318): September 7<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> - 12pm-8pm

Participants will attend **ONE** of the following rehearsals each week at the Center for Performing Arts in Minneapolis (3754 Pleasant Ave, Minneapolis, MN 55409):

Sunday August 10<sup>th</sup>, 2pm-5pm/ Wednesday August 13<sup>th</sup>, 6:30pm-9:30pm Sunday August 17<sup>th</sup>, 2pm-5pm/ Wednesday August 20<sup>th</sup>, 6:30pm-9:30pm Sunday August 24<sup>th</sup>, 2pm-5pm/ Wednesday August 27<sup>th</sup>, 6:30pm-9:30pm Sunday August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2pm-5pm/ Wednesday September 3<sup>rd</sup>, 5pm-8pm We are looking to create two Community Choruses that will perform in alternating shows from September 11<sup>th</sup> - October 12<sup>th</sup>. The running time of the show is approximately one and a half hours and the performance schedule is as follows:

September: Thursday-Sunday @ 6pm; Saturdays & Sundays @ 1pm October: Thursday-Sunday @ 5pm; Saturdays & Sundays @ 1pm

#### Costumes:

Participants will be asked to provide their own clothing and shoes within a specified color palette and style (TBA).

#### How do I sign up to participate?

If this production inspires you and you are ready to be a part of a fulfilling creative process, please contact Tyson Forbes at tysonforbes@mac.com

## Have Questions or Want More info?

Visit www.tigerlion.org/nature and/or attend our info session: Saturday July 26 from 1-3pm at the Center for Performing Arts, 3754 Pleasant Ave, Minneapolis, MN 55409)

We will share our vision for this production, and give you a chance to ask any questions, or express any ideas, that you might have.