## **ALEA III**

# Contemporary Music Ensemble in residence at Boston University

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### **Press Release**

#### In Short

**BOSTON - Alea III** 

## The 2016 ALEA III Composers Workshop

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**Concert: Wedensday, February 10, 2016, 8:00 pm**. Tsai Performance Center, 865 Commonwealth Avenue. **Stratis Minakakis**, conductor. Free admission. (781) 793-8902.

### More details

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15 Musicians
6 Composers
5 Countries - 4 Continents
3 Music Colleges
2 Universities

### 1 Goal:

Serve new music by supporting young composers and performers, creating an indispensable and exhilarating experience for young musicians and audiences alike.

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ALEA III, dedicated in promoting new music, is giving a voice to composers and performers of our time. This unique opportunity aims to satisfy the growing need for larger ensemble performances, which can be very difficult to attain. For this purpose, ALEA III collaborates with a collective of composers, performers and soloists who are passionate about new music and willing to push boundaries, making this an indispensable and exhilarating experience for young musicians and audiences alike.

## Participating composers and musicians are affiliated with:

Boston University New England Conservatory Berklee College of music Boston Conservatory Hellenic-American University

Concert: Composers Workshop 2016

When: Wednesday, February 10, 2016, 8:00 pm.

Where: Tsai Performance Center, 685 Commonwealth Avenue

Admission: Free

<u>Performers</u>: ALEA III, <u>Stratis Minakakis</u>, conductor

## Works by:

Katherine Balch (USA – New England Conservatory)
Gilad Barakan (Israel – Berklee College of Music)
Allan Xiangnan Chen (South Africa – Boston University)
Daniel Collins (USA – Boston University)
Manos Markantonis (Greece – Hellenic American University)
Yuhao Wu (China – Berklee College of Music)

#### The Musicians

Caitlyn Schmidt, flutes Elif Cakmut, oboe Steven Jackson, clarinets Janet Underhill, bassoon

Reese Williams, horn Eric Rizzo, trumpet Mariel Austin, trombone

Thomas Schmidt, percussion

Ashley Zhang, piano

Leo Marillier, violin I Sherri Zhang, violin II Maureen Heflinger, viola Allan Toda-Ambaras, cello Lizzie Burns, bass

#### Conductor

Stratis Minakakis

## The Venue

<u>Tsai Performance Center</u> is located on the B branch of the MBTA Green Line, at Boston University East stop, and is wheelchair accessible.

Parking available at the Kenmore Lot (549 Comm. Ave.) or the Granby Lot (665 Comm. Ave.).

For more information please call (781) 793-8902

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