

Presenter Name:

Joshua Collier

Company Name:

Opera Vermont

Name(s) of additional presenter(s):

William Zeffiro, Kathleen Echols

Work title:

Truman & Nancy

Composer:

William Zeffiro

Librettist:

William Zeffiro

Work Description:

Truman & Nancy is a lyrical and thought-provoking work that brings to life the haunting journey of Truman Capote as he grapples with the writing of his magnum opus, *In Cold Blood*, and is confronted by the spirit of Nancy Clutter, one of the murder victims immortalized in his groundbreaking true crime novel.

At its core, Truman and Nancy explores profound themes of legacy, family relationships, and the question of what is truly important to leave behind when we die. As Capote contemplates his artistic choices and the impact of his work, the opera challenges audiences to reflect on the human stories behind the fame and sensationalism, and the lasting significance of the connections we make during our lives.

Duration:

53 Minutes

Vocal Forces:

Lyric Tenor - Truman

Lyric Soprano - Nancy

Instrumental Forces:

8 Instruments:

Piano

Violin I

Violin II

Viola

Cello

Clarinet

Flute

Horn

Approximate budget to produce:

\$15,000.00

Production intention - what are you looking for? (i.e. co-producers):

Future performances of the opera

Work page/website (if available):

www.operavermont.com/trumanandnancy