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All Classical Portland and Navona Records present the Recording Inclusivity Initiative's AMPLIFY

[North Hampton NH September 15th, 2022] The GRAMMY® award-winning Navona Records label will release AMPLIFY, All Classical Portland's inaugural [Recording Inclusivity Initiative](#) (RII) album, on October 28, 2022. The album marks the 1,000th release from the PARMA Recordings label group.

All Classical Portland's *Recording Inclusivity Initiative* is a response to the classical music industry's longtime need for greater diversity, with the purpose of increasing awareness and opportunity for previously marginalized artistic communities.

"RII is one of the many ways All Classical Portland is working to increase representation in classical music and public radio," says Suzanne Nance, President and CEO of All Classical Portland. "We strive to provide access to all, to reflect the diverse and creative communities we serve, and to promote joy and belonging in all that we do. Through RII, we have deepened our commitment to this mission."

Comprised of leaders from the radio, recording, publishing, and performing arts industries, the RII Panel and Executive Advisors selected five winning compositions from a pool of over 100 entries for inclusion on AMPLIFY. Including three pieces from living composers, and two posthumous works, the album was recorded at the NM Bodecker Foundation's Halfling Studios in Portland, Oregon.

AMPLIFY

RII Vol. 1: Changing America's Playlist

[Jasmine Barnes](#) – *Taking Names*

[Keyla Orozco](#) – *Souvenirs*

[Lauren McCall](#) – *A Spark and a Glimmer*

[Mélanie Hélène Bonis](#) – *Femmes de légende*

[Coleridge-Taylor Perkinson](#) – *Sonata for Flute and Piano*

"We are pleased and proud for AMPLIFY to be our 1,000th album release, and to represent the work of these outstanding artists," says PARMA CEO Bob Lord, one of the sponsoring partners of RII. "For nearly 15 years we have worked diligently to help elevate deserving artistic voices, and our collaboration with All Classical Portland is a wonderful new chapter in this mission."

AMPLIFY's album cover comes from [Monica Obaga](#), an illustrator and graphic designer focused primarily on producing artwork in support of women, the environment, and positive African media representation.

A Spark and a Glimmer by composer Lauren McCall will be available October 21 as a pre-release track, followed by the full album released October 28. For more information, please visit the album's Navona Records catalog page at www.navonarecords.com/catalog/nv6456.

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