

## Meridian Ensemble Singers

### Sopranos

Julia Holden-Hunkins  
Stephanie Metting  
Sarah Kercheval

### Tenors

Neil Jackson  
David Weidenaar

### Altos

Alice Carli  
Erica Weisman  
Jenni Campbell  
Rachelle Bunch  
Rachel Schmidt

### Basses

Evan Norberg  
John Hawkins

**Meridian Ensemble** was formed in February 2019 as an auditioned chamber choir dedicated to producing high quality performances of diverse choral repertoire spanning from the late nineteenth century to modern day. We welcome new members with strong musical skills and choral experience. For more information contact the artistic director at [yulyk@uw.edu](mailto:yulyk@uw.edu) or visit us at [www.meridianensemble.net](http://www.meridianensemble.net).

**Yuly Kopkin**, the Founding Artistic Director of Meridian Ensemble, is an award-winning choir conductor as well as a collaborative pianist and a singer. Originally from Russia, he has been calling Seattle home for almost six years. He received a conservatory-style education in his homeland and then earned a degree of Master of Music in Choral Conducting at the University of Washington on a Fulbright scholarship. *Vita in Canto*, an internationally acclaimed university choir that Yuly founded in 2003 in his home city of Ekaterinburg, has been a top prize winner at prestigious choral festivals, such as Tampere Vocal Music Festival (Finland), Bohuslav Martinu International Choir Competition (Czech Republic), and Eurasia Cantat International Choral Assemblies (Russia). *Vita in Canto* enjoyed the most enthusiastic reception during their two concert tours of the USA (2013, 2014).

Yuly's favorite conducting credits demonstrate his artistic versatility and include, among others, *Titanic the Musical*, *Gospel Mass* by Robert Ray, and *Stabat Mater* by Giovanni Pergolesi. As piano accompanist and music director, he has been involved in the productions of operas and musicals, such as *The Pirates of Penzance*, *Into the Woods*, *Don Giovanni* and *Hansel and Gretel*. He currently serves as the assistant conductor at Magnolia Chorale and as collaborative pianist at Shoreline Community College and Bainbridge Chorale.

