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**Arlington Philharmonic And Bowen McCauley Dance Company To Present
Armistice Day Concert On Sunday, November 11, 2018**

Arlington, VA, November 4, 2018: The Arlington Philharmonic (AP) is pleased to partner with Bowen McCauley Dance Company and the Arlington WWI Commemoration Task Force to present **11/11: A Memorial Remembrance Performance** as part of the Armistice Day Centennial Anniversary Celebrations in Arlington, and throughout the nation. This is a free philharmonic concert and dance performance at Kenmore Middle School's auditorium, located at 200 S. Carlin Springs Rd, on **Sunday, November 11 at 4:00 pm**. AP's mission as a non-profit symphony orchestra is to make classical music accessible to every Arlington resident, to promote the value of classical music in our civic life, and to build strong, creative partnerships with schools, local government, businesses, and other organizations. Donations in support of the organization are welcome and will gladly be accepted at the event.

The concert program will open with "Mars, the Bringer of War" from Gustav Holst's monumental work *The Planets*. Next, the Philharmonic will perform Sergei Prokofiev's Symphony No. 1 in D major, "Classical" and *The Lark Ascending* by Ralph Vaughan Williams, featuring Joel Fuller as the violin soloist. Moving from conflict to remembrance, the program will continue with "Venus, the Bringer of Peace" from *The Planets*, before presenting Maurice Ravel's *Le Tombeau de Couperin*, featuring the choreography *Unravel*, by Eric Hampton, performed for the first time with live music accompaniment. *Le Tombeau* was composed by Ravel after WWI, with movements dedicated to his friends who had been lost in the conflict.

By performing "Unravel," Bowen McCauley Dance Company pays homage to a beloved choreographer and ensures his art continues to be appreciated. Lucy Bowen McCauley performed the lead role in the 1995 premiere of "Unravel" as a founding member of Eric Hampton Dance Company. "I felt it was time to share Eric's work with new audiences" Lucy explained. He made such an incredible impact in the Washington, DC community "and felt enough time had passed to restage and share this dance piece." Hampton was an important member of the Washington, DC dance community and his choreography influenced a great number of artists. He worked throughout the United States and Europe, and founded Eric Hampton Dance in 1991. Despite his diagnosis of Lou Gehrig's Disease and death in 2001, his works continue to bring joy to people to this day.

The mission of the Arlington World War I Centennial Commemoration Task Force is to educate the county about the significance of The Great War while honoring the heroism and sacrifice of those who served through public programs and commemorative events. This mission can best be understood by three objectives which guide our programming: first, community engagement; second, community service; and third, education. The observance of the centennial will conclude on the 100th anniversary of Armistice Day on November 11 2018.

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