

Thokozani Ndumiso Mhlambi is a South African composer, cellist and cultural thinker. Mhlambi’s music explores the iconic cultural legacy of the region—the likes of Busi Mhlongo, Princess Magogo, Mazisi Kunene—creatively through new music, combining African and classical elements. He is often seen talking with his audiences while on stage, teaching on African innovative and dramatic forms, while gripping them in mesmeric music textures, of song and declamatory vocal lines. Mhlambi’s compositions are simple and yet musically incisive; they show a deep engagement with the archive (the rich history of southern Africa) whilst wrestling with contemporary forms; they convey the rigours of Western classical discipline, with the imaginative limitlessness of African performance traditions. He is the NRF Postdoctoral Fellow in Innovation at the Archive & Public Culture Research Initiative at the University of Cape Town.

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Tommy Archuleta Spoken Word

Tommy Archuleta is a mental health therapist for the New Mexico Corrections Department. His work has appeared in numerous print and online literary journals. *Susto*, his full-length debut collection, published April 2023 by the Center for Literary Publishing, is featured in the November/December 2023 issue of *Poets & Writers* as part of the magazine’s annual 5 Over 50 column. Also in April 2023, his debut chapbook *Fieldnotes* was published by Lily Poetry Review & Press. He is the current poet laureate of the City of Santa Fe and will serve his hometown in this capacity throughout 2024–25.

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Sun, Dec 1 at 10:30am at 912 3rd St NW

Music by **Elgar, Esmail** and **Mozart**

Performed by **Young, Harris, Huzjak** and **Gordon**

V.B. Price Spoken Word

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Sun, Dec 8 at 10:30am at 912 3rd St NW

Music by **Hans Abrahamsen**

Performed by **Chatter Ensemble**

Peter Anderson Spoken Word

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