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Quick Facts

- Concerts will be held April 18 at Winthrop and April 25 at Central Piedmont Community College.
- Original works by local faculty members will be heard during the free concerts.

ROCK HILL, S.C. - The Charlotte region's premiere professional contemporary chamber music ensemble, the Out of Bounds Ensemble, will present two concerts of new and established music in April. Both concerts will feature music by ensemble core members **Craig Bove** of Central Piedmont Community College and **Mark Lewis** and **Ronald Keith Parks**, both faculty members at Winthrop University.

Parks' work for piano, violin, and cello titled "Things Get Out of Hand..." was written for the **Out of Bounds Ensemble** and will receive its world premiere at the Winthrop concert on April 18 and a repeat performance at Central Piedmont on April 25. Bove's work "Distant Call" was written for the Brass Act brass quintet and will also receive its world premiere on the Winthrop concert and a repeat performance by Brass Act at the Central Piedmont concert.

The first concert will take place on the campus of Winthrop in Rock Hill, S.C., in Barnes Recital Hall, on April 18 at 7:30 p.m. The second concert will be held in Charlotte, N.C., on April 25 at Central Piedmont at 4 p.m. in Tate Recital Hall. In addition to the premiere of the new works by Bove and Parks, both concerts will feature performances of "Lines from a Letter" for piano, violin, and cello by Charlotte-area composer Leonard Mark Lewis. Also on the program is "Mirum" for solo tuba by Mauricio Kagel, performed by Geoff Whitehead, and the seminal minimalist work "In C" by Terry Riley.

Both concerts are free and open to the public.

The **Out of Bounds Ensemble** was formed in 2008 under the guidance of Winthrop pianist and music theorist Tomoko Deguchi. It is the new music ensemble-in-residence at both Winthrop and Central Piedmont. The founding members (Tomoko Deguchi – piano, Leonard Mark Lewis – composer/piano, Craig Bove – composer, Ronald Parks – composer, and Geoff Whitehead – conductor/tuba) formed the ensemble in order to bring new and established contemporary works for chamber ensemble to a wider audience in the Charlotte region and to encourage the creation and performance of new music by regional composers.

In addition to the core members, the concerts will feature local musicians Judy Meister - violin, Nick Lampo - cello, and Brass Act (CPCC only: Jon Thornton – trumpet, Scott Bauer – trumpet, Julie Shrom – horn, Ken Davis – trombone, and David Mills – tuba). The Winthrop concert will feature area brass musicians Mark Dulin – trumpet, David Hodges – trumpet, Bill Tyler – horn, Mark Richards – trombone, and Sarita J. Maxwell – tuba. Geoff Whitehead serves as the ensemble's conductor.

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