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Quick Facts

- Omri Shimron, a classical pianist, is assistant professor of music at Elon University.
- The Sept. 25 lecture and recital are free/open to the public.



Omri Shimron

ROCK HILL, S.C. - Winthrop's [Department of Music](#) will host a guest lecture/piano recital by classical pianist [Omri Shimron](#) in late September.

Shimron, assistant professor of music at Elon University, will present a **Sept. 25 lecture** on 36 Variations on "The People United Will Never Be Defeated!" by American composer Frederic Rzewski, then perform this work at 4 p.m. in [Barnes Recital Hall](#). Rzewski's monumental composition is rarely performed in public yet makes for an exhilarating listening experience that captures many of the 20th century's musical idioms and ideas. "**The People United**" is a gargantuan set of 36 variations based on a Chilean protest song from the early 1970s.

Born in the U.S., **Shimron** grew up in Israel, where he received his early musical training. In Israel, he appeared on many concert stages and on live media broadcasts, including the Jerusalem Music Center, the Jerusalem Academy of Music and the Tel Aviv Museum of Art. In the U.S., he won prizes from the Josef Hoffman Piano Competition and the Chautauqua Institution. As an orchestral soloist, **Shimron** played with the Hillsdale College/Community Orchestra and the Finger Lakes Symphony. Collaborative and solo concerts have included recording sessions for WBFO and WXXI radio ("Live from Hochstein"), the Kennedy Center's Millennium Stage and the Sundays on the Island series in New York.

Shimron teaches piano and music theory at Elon University in North Carolina.

The **Sept. 25 guest lecture** and **piano recital** are free and open to the public. For more information, contact the Department of Music at 803/323-2255.

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