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Quick Facts

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- This concert is being presented as a celebration of the artist's 50th birthday.
- The concert will feature the world premiere of Associate Professor of Music Leonard Mark Lewis' "Tango Triste," written for this special occasion.



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The program will include Schubert's monumental "Sonata in B-flat Major," Debussy's "L'isle Joyeuse" and a **world premiere** of Associate Professor of Music **Leonard Mark Lewis'** "Tango Triste," written for this special occasion.

Originally from El Paso, Texas, Manwarren received the Bachelor of Music degree in piano performance from Texas Tech University. He also earned Master of Music and Doctor of Musical Arts degrees in piano and organ from the University of Cincinnati College-Conservatory of Music.

Currently, he serves as professor of piano at Winthrop, a position he has held since 2006. Previous faculty appointments include Erskine College, where he served as Harriet Pressly Smith Caldwell Professor of Music and chair of the Department of Music, as well as Belmont University, where he held the position of professor of piano.

Manwarren is in great demand as a performer, teacher, master class presenter, lecturer and adjudicator. The (Vermont) Times-Argus stated, "Manwarren is a pianist of substance." Since 1998, he has taught during the summers at the Adamant Music School in Vermont, where he coaches gifted pianists from all over the world. In 2006, Manwarren was awarded a Fulbright Teaching Grant through the Council for the International Exchange of Scholars, serving as artist-in-residence at the University of Cape Town, South Africa.

Manwarren is a past president of the South Carolina Music Teachers Association.

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