

FRIEND OF FLORENCE

Inspired by the prolific American composer Florence Price who made history as the first Black woman to have a symphony performed by a major U.S. orchestra, *My Name is Florence* is composed by B.E. Boykin to a libretto by Harrison David Rivers and premieres on January 31-Febrary 8, 2026 at the Ordway.

As a Friend you'll receive exclusive, cumulative benefits that bring you closer to this poignant production.



FRIENDLY FACE \$29

(29 artists on stage: cast, orchestra, conductor)

Webpage Recognition Commemorative pin



MASTER OF PRACTICE \$88

(88 keys on the piano)

Digital recognition at the Ordway (inclusion deadline January 29) Show poster



MATRIARCHY \$213

(213 - year age span of three generations of Florences)

Recognition in the program book (inclusion deadline December 15)
Tote bag



NEW ENGLAND CONSERVATORY \$880

(\$880 is the tuition for four years in 1902-1906 dollars)

Two passes to champagne intermission reception (ticket purchase required)



REDISCOVERED \$2,009

(2009 is the year that works were found in Florence's abandoned summer home in St. Anne, Illinois)

Recognition in supertitles above the stage before the show Four tickets to dress rehearsal on January 27 at 7:30pm (deadline January 23)



FEELING OF HOME \$3,648

(3,648 miles between places Florence lived: Little Rock, Boston, Atlanta, and Chicago)

Two tickets to "The Chamber Music of Florence Price" at the Luminary Arts Center on Saturday, January 17 at 7pm (deadline January 13)



CHICAGO SYMPHONY \$6,015

(June 15, 1933: The Chicago Symphony Orchestra premiered Florence's Symphony in E Minor, making her the first Black female composer to have a piece premiered by a major U.S. orchestra)

Two seats at the Opening Night Dinner on January 31 (deadline January 24)



WANAMAKER PRIZE \$11,732

(\$11,732 is the present-day buying power of the \$500 that Florence received for winning the Wanamaker Prize in 1932)

Framed first page of the score signed by the creative team



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