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For Immediate Release

Sarah Talley to present senior voice recital April 7 at Ouachita

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ARKADELPHIA, Ark. – Ouachita Baptist University's Division of Music will host Sarah Talley in her senior voice recital, "Caught in the in-Between," on Tuesday, April 7, at 8 p.m. The performance will be held in Mabee Fine Arts Center's McBeth Recital Hall on Ouachita's campus and is free and open to the public. A reception will be held in Hammons Gallery following the recital.

"I feel as if almost every class that I have taken at Ouachita has prepared me for this moment," said Talley, a vocal performance major from Bella Vista, Ark. "Tuesday will be the culmination of four years of training, months of planning and countless hours of practice.

"This recital would not be happening without the hard work of Mr. Briggs and Mrs. Walker, my teacher and accompanist," Talley added. "Thus, this performance is not just about me because it is about everyone who has helped me reach this point, and I think that is the real significance of this entire process."

Singing music ranging from classical to musical theatre pieces, Talley will perform Robert Schumann's "Schone Fremde" as well as "Auf einer Burg" and "Wehmut" from *Liederkreis, Op. 39*; George Frideric Handel's "V'adoro pupille" from *Giulio Cesare*; Alfredo Catalani's "Ebben? Ne andro lontana" from *La Wally*; Georges Bizet's "Habenera" and "Seguidilla" from *Carmen*; Francis Poulenc's "Les chemins de l'amour"; Erich W. Korngold's "Adieu, Good Man Devil," "Hey Robin" and "For the Rain, It Raineth Every Day" from *Songs of the Clown, Op. 29*; Lee Hoiby's "Autumn" from *Songs for Leontyne*; Jule Styne and Stephen Sondheim's "Small World" from *Gypsy;* and Stephen Sondheim's "The Ladies Who Lunch" from *Company*.

Phyllis Walker, OBU staff accompanist, will serve as her collaborative pianist, and John Alec Briggs, adjunct instructor of voice and staff accompanist, has served as her voice instructor.

Affirming her enthusiasm for the opportunity to present her senior recital, Talley said, "This is an opportunity to do something that I absolutely love and have a great passion for, and the best part is that I get to share it with others. How could that not be exciting?"

For more information, contact Ouachita's School of Fine Arts at (870) 245-5129.

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