

## CSJ Statement on David Haas

It is with deep sadness that the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet (CSJs) learned of allegations of sexual harassment against composer David Haas. As a community of women religious we are acutely aware of and have great compassion for the devastation sexual abuse wields on victims, many of whom we serve through our various ministries.

After learning about concerns with Mr. Haas, the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet (CSJs) with legal counsel have determined that the CSJs did not sponsor nor were they associated with the independent 501(c)(3) organization known as Music Ministry Alive! (MMA). CSJ records indicate that Carondelet Center, a CSJ host facility, rented limited space to MMA in 2012 and 2013. In the past, Mr. Haas provided periodic musical support for CSJ liturgies and rituals. There have been no related complaints lodged with CSJ Leadership.

Our hearts and prayers go out to all those impacted by this sad and difficult situation which we continue to monitor.