A 2017 Guide

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FEATURE ARTICLE
Training Opera’s Next Generation
A Tale of Two Festivals
Editor’s Note

In our largest and most varied Guide to Summer Festivals yet, we focus on a common thread: training the next generation of performers and the artistic personnel who support them. At many festivals, young artists receive private lessons, coaching sessions, master classes, or all of the above during the day. By night they are either performing, observing the seasoned pros who train them by day, or a combination of the two.

But honing or developing the skills of tomorrow’s generation of musicians is only part of the equation. It’s summertime, after all, and while the living may not exactly be “easy,” it’s certainly a lot more relaxed than during the season or school year. Consider the difference between waiting in the green-room line post-concert to shake the maestro’s hand vs. running into him in the festival cafeteria line, or at the local pub after the concert, or on a morning jog.

Such is the kind of cross-fertilization for which festivals are known, and one of the reasons they are such ideal settings for rising artists. Sometimes the trainees are fully integrated into the schedule, such as at the Santa Fe Opera, where young artists are featured, often in leading roles. Sometimes they work independently of the main event, such as at Tanglewood, where the Tanglewood Music Center Orchestra, for instance, is comprised entirely of TMC Fellows and plays its own concerts, alongside the center-stage Boston Symphony Orchestra (whose members form much of the faculty).

For our feature article, we examine two summertime young-artist programs, one domestic and one foreign: Glimmerglass and the Aix-en-Provence Festival’s Académie. They share only two characteristics: their focus on opera and their sterling reputations. Otherwise they are very different. Glimmerglass is far smaller, enrolling 54 young artists this summer to Aix’s 260. It’s also younger, in operation since 1975, while Aix dates back to 1948. Their respective curricula are also dissimilar. But they have the same goal: training the artists of tomorrow by enabling them to work under and play—in every sense—with the pros of today.

Regards,

Susan Elliott
Editor, Special Reports

PHOTO: Yevgeny Sudbin, courtesy Tippet Rise.
Summer festivals are fertile turf for young artists hot on the career path, and many have a significant training component alongside their professional, public offerings. Among opera programs, France's Aix-en-Provence Festival and New York's Glimmerglass Festival are two of the most popular with young artists and audiences. Their differences are vast (see page 8), but their goals are the same: to train the next generation and, by extension, nourish the artform.

The Glimmerglass Festival Young Artist Program

“Performance is the master teacher,” says Francesca Zambello, artistic and general director of the Glimmerglass Festival. Her philosophy gets tested every summer by the Young Artists Program, which, she says, gives participants more chances to perform substantial roles in mainstage productions than at other leading U.S. festivals. “Santa Fe [Opera], Wolf Trap [National Park for the Performing Arts], we are all competing for talented young singers,” Zambello says. “We may not pay as much as some of our colleagues, but the one thing we do offer is more roles. Our young artists know they are going to get more stage time.”

In next summer’s Porgy and Bess, for example, just five of the 20 or so roles will be sung by guest artists while the rest will be done by YAP members. In The Siege of Calais, a rarely performed Donizetti opera, two of the roles are to be sung by guest artists and
eight by young artists. The ratio is similar for the other mainstage offerings, Handel’s Xerxes and Rodgers and Hammerstein’s Oklahoma!.

Paying top dollar to see artists in training
Zambello, who has headed the festival since 2010, acknowledges that it is a balancing act to cast rising talent in major roles while also putting top-level productions on the Alice Busch Opera Theater stage — especially with ticket prices as high as $149.

“People, when they come to Glimmerglass, know that they are going to see many young artists,” she says. “At a big opera house, you’re not going to put a young artist on stage in the role of, say, the count in The Barber of Seville. They’re not ready for that kind of prime time. But at a festival often that’s what you’re there to see — what’s new, what’s interesting, not only in terms of the productions but in terms of the emerging talent. I think audiences love the connection they have with a singer that they first became interested in at Glimmerglass.”

A program in demand
That Zambello’s philosophy works at both ends of the equation is borne out in the more than 800 applications received for the 2017 YAP. Its director, Allen Perriello, whittled that number down to the 469 singers he heard in live auditions last October. The final cut yielded 54 young artists, including 37 opera singers (13 of whom are back for a second summer), eight musical theater singer/dancers, two conductors, four assistant directors, and three pianist/coaches.

Each performer has assignments in at least two mainstage productions, ranging for singers from cast member to cover to chorus member. Young artists work for three months and receive transportation and meals, accommodations in the large Victorian house called Lime Kiln or other lodging in the area, and a weekly stipend.

Opera festival or summer stock?
At Glimmerglass, the line between opera and musical theater is blurring. “There is an amazing cross-pollination between the opera and musical theater singers,” Zambello says. “We need the musical theater singers to be good dancers for Oklahoma!, especially with the Agnes DeMille choreography.” Olivia Barbieri, a Syracuse University student, was chosen as a young artist specifically to perform Laurey’s Dream Ballet.

Music Director Joseph Colaneri enjoys the occasional “star is born” moments that occur. “Sometimes a singer is indisposed, and we have to put in a young artist who has been covering a major role. Experiencing those successes is really wonderful.” He recalls the time last summer when young tenor Chaz’men Williams-Ali stepped in to sing Rodolfo in La Bohème. Williams-Ali was such a hit that he’s coming back this summer to sing Giovanni in The Siege of Calais.

Zambello’s other hat
Zambello is also artistic director of Washington National Opera and there is what she calls a “symbiotic relationship” between its Domingo-Cafritz Young Artists Program and the festival. Four of the 13 Domingo-Cafritz members this season are Glimmerglass alumni. There were also former Glimmerglass YAP members who had roles in WNO mainstage productions of Dead Man Walking and Champion this season. And Zambello is bringing Williams-Ali to the Kennedy Center in May to sing Pinkerton in a student matinée of WNO’s Madame Butterfly.
“My goal for all these kids is: Get them jobs,” she says. With its proximity to New York City, Glimmerglass draws plenty of artist managers and personnel from other opera companies to hear its singers. “Our former young artists are singing everywhere—the Met, the Lyric, San Francisco. The more jobs they get, the better that reflects back to us.”

She is a shrewd handi-capper of young opera singers. “If we have 40 young artists at Glimmerglass, out of the 40, 10 of them are going to go on to have good jobs. Out of those 10, five will really go some-where in their careers, and one or two will be stars.”

Glimmerglass Festival Artistic and General Director Francesca Zambello.

Glimmerglass Festival
Location: Cooperstown, NY, USA
Founded: 1975
Budget: $7.5 million
Tickets Sold (2016): 35,700
Artistic and General Director: Francesca Zambello
Music Director: Joseph Colaneri
Young Artists Program Director: Allen Perriello
Young Artists (2017): 54

The annual Académie opera
Accadémie members attend workshops, master classes, and individual lessons. Some of them also participate in the annual Académie opera, which this summer is Erismena, by Italian Baroque composer Francesco Cavalli. Seven of the 10 characters in the opera are being sung by young professionals who trained at the Académie in previous seasons; soprano Francesca Aspromonte, for example, now a rising star in European early music circles, sings the title role. Argentine conductor Leonardo García Alarcón leads the period-instrument ensemble Cappella Mediterranea.

Erismena will have eight performances in the 500-seat Théâtre du Jeu de Paume, before going on the road. “One of the best things for our young singers is to get many more performances on tour,” says Emilie Delorme, director of the Académie. “This is a beautiful opportunity for them. We can see their performances grow into something completely different.”

Central Village in downtown Aix. PHOTO: ©Vincent Beaume

Académie du Festival d’Aix
When Bernard Foccroulle first arrived as general director of the Aix-en-Provence Festival in 2007, he was asked how he wanted to handle its famous academy for young artists. “I was asked if I wanted to outsource the Académie and make it independent, but my wish was the exact opposite. I wanted it to be the core of the festival, because I am convinced that the young artists who come to learn, to sing, to be in dialogue with the major artists of our time create a special spirit for the festival. It would not be the same without the Académie. I believe it creates a very special Aix feeling, a family feeling.”

Today, he estimates, there are four or five times more in the program than when he first arrived: This summer, 260 rising singers, instrumentalists, composers, librettists, directors, and designers will mingle with the seasoned professionals that comprise the festival’s key artistic forces.

The outdoor Théâtre de l’Archevêché, one of the main stages at the Aix-en-Provence Festival.
The casts of the Festival’s four mainstage productions also are sprinkled with alumni, such as French baritone Stéphane Degout, who started out in the Académie about 20 years ago and has returned to perform in major roles many times since. This summer, he is featured in the world premiere of Philippe Boesmans’s *Pinocchio* in July.

**A two-pronged approach**

“We have two systems for young singers,” says Delorme. “If they come simply for training, we pay for their travel and housing.” The festival also refers to these as artist residencies. “All their classes and coaching are free,” continues Delorme. “When they are hired for productions or recitals or any concerts that take place in the framework of the festival, their travel and housing are paid plus they receive a fee and per diem.” Resident artists are screened via submitted recordings and then chosen through live auditions in Paris and New York and other major cities.

Almost 1,000 young artists applied for this summer’s festival, including 327 opera singers. The 54 singers chosen to be in the Académie include the 10 cast members of *Erismena*, 10 covers in that opera and in *Pinocchio*, 27 in a Mozart outreach residency, and seven laureates returning for concerts.

Foccroulle, also a composer and highly regarded organist, is stepping down as general director after the 2018 festival (Pierre Audi will be his successor). During his tenure, he has made a point of bringing young North African and Middle Eastern musicians into the Académie. In 2014, the festival formed the **Mediterranean Youth Orchestra**, which holds auditions in every country around the Mediterranean Sea to recruit 100 musicians to play at the festival. Some of the orchestra players have spawned adventurous projects, such as **Cairo Jazz Station**, an ensemble of four young musicians from Egypt, Portugal, Turkey, and Italy, for whom the festival organized a residency in Cairo. They play a mix of classical, jazz, and traditional Arabic and Turkish music.

**Aix-en-Provence Festival**

*Location:* Aix-en-Provence, France  
*Founded:* 1948  
*Budget:* 23.8 million euros ($25.1 million)  
*Attendance (2016):* 75,526  
*General Director:* Bernard Foccroulle  
*Académie Director:* Emilie Delorme  
*Young Artists (2017):* 260

Cairo Jazz Station was formed at the Aix-en-Provence Festival, with musicians from Egypt, Portugal, Turkey, and Italy.
Three Alumni Tell Their Stories

Scott Conner's Journey from Aix to the Met

Aix-en-Provence is one of Scott Conner’s favorite spots. “It’s your classic French village,” says the Kansas-born bass. “With the outdoor cafés, the narrow cobblestone streets, it looks like a movie set.” And the Aix-en-Provence Festival is where Connor got his first major career boost, propelling him to major stages in Paris, London, and, this month, to New York’s Metropolitan Opera.

He was a 26-year-old student at Philadelphia’s Academy of Vocal Arts when he auditioned for Aix casting director Alain Perroux for a young-artist residency at the festival. He landed the part of Tindaro/Nettuno in the 2013 production Elena, an Italian Baroque opera by Francesco Cavalli.

“In France, there is a big resurgence of early music, especially early opera, and it gave me the opportunity to dive into repertoire that is not usually done, especially in the States,” says Conner. “We spent weeks and weeks going over every note, every measure of this music before putting the opera up on its feet and getting the staging going. We almost had to invent the dynamics and the colors of phrases because they weren’t written into the score. We were dealing with Baroque instruments I had never even seen before. It was fantastic to see the whole process come together.”

A live recording of Elena was released on DVD and the production toured France and Portugal after the festival.

In the summer of 2015, Conner was invited back to the festival to play Theseus in a revival of Robert Carsen’s famous staging of Britten’s A Midsummer Night’s Dream at the outdoor Théâtre de l’Archevêché. Carsen clearly enjoyed the young bass’s performance, because he asked Conner to sing the role of the police commissioner in his new production of Der Rosenkavalier with Renée Fleming at Covent Garden and the Met Opera, where it opens April 13.

“This is Renée’s farewell performance as the Marschallin, and I get to escort her off the stage in the third act,” Conner says. “I could not even write this! It’s just such a special scene to be a part of. And I would not have had the chance to meet Renée or be a part of this company if it wasn’t for Aix-en-Provence. That’s where it all started.”

Sean Michael Plumb: From Aix to Glimmerglass to the Bavarian State Opera

Baritone Sean Michael Plumb has been in the young artist programs at both the Aix-en-Provence and Glimmerglass festivals. In 2013, at age 21, he was enrolled for several weeks in the Académie’s Mozart residency. “We sang Mozart in Aix and in the tiny villages around Provence,” he says. “We weren’t doing a production but just focused on the music, preparing it and working on technique and performing it all over the place. We’d get on the bus and go to some medieval church, sing a concert, then go back to Aix.”

At Glimmerglass, Plumb was in the young artists program in 2014 and 2015. He made his U.S. professional opera debut there as Yamadori in Francesca Zambello’s 2014 staging of Madame Butterfly.

“From day one Francesca helped me bring all aspects of my performance to another level,” he says. “Every day my mind was being blown by working with her and hearing what she had to say about the opera, about the music, about my career in general. A lot of it was the realization that, okay, I’m actually starting to do this. I’d been in school for years, I’d taken voice lessons since I was nine years old. And here a professional company has given me the opportunity to go on stage.”
Though Plumb had different experiences at Aix-en-Provence and Glimmerglass, he found the festivals similar in their strong sense of place. “Aix celebrates the essence of French culture, and Glimmerglass celebrates the essence of American culture,” he says.

Plumb enjoyed Glimmerglass’s bucolic setting on Otsego Lake. “I don’t know if it comes from all the nature around, but it felt like such a nurturing environment. There was not this cutthroat competition among the singers, and there was a feeling from the administration that they really cared about you and about your life beyond the young artists program. For me it was an atmosphere of tremendous growth.”

Now 25, Plumb, a Curtis Institute of Music graduate, went on in 2016 to win the grand prize of the Metropolitan Opera National Council Auditions. He is now in his first season as a member of the ensemble at the Bavarian State Opera in Munich, singing roles in 16 different productions, such as the Harlekin in Ariadne auf Naxos, Dandini in La Cenerentola, and Morales in Carmen. He made his European debut last year in Munich in Miroslav Smiška’s South Pole.

Emily Pogorelc: Lessons Learned at Glimmerglass
Emily Pogorelc holds the distinction of being the youngest person ever to have been a Glimmerglass young artist. Pogorelc sang Johanna in Sweeney Todd last summer, and on opening night she was 19 years old. Now a junior at the Curtis Institute of Music, she reports having learned at least two key lessons at Glimmerglass about what it means to be a professional opera singer.

Be flexible: “Christopher Alden had a very specific vision for our Sweeney Todd, and there were difficulties in trying to communicate it. It was a very avant-garde, 1960s sort of staging. There was a lot of maneuvering around on chairs onstage,” and a lot of different opinions in the rehearsal studio as well. “Learning how to approach the challenges of doing something that is not traditional has really informed my work onstage since last summer.”

The show must go on: “I’ve got bad ragweed allergies, and when August rolls around at Glimmerglass, which is surrounded by cornfields and nature, it’s hard not to get sick. I learned how to handle myself in that sort of situation, being in a company and getting sick and how to take care of myself. I actually did not miss a performance, which I was very proud of.”

Pogorelc returns this summer to sing Romilda in Xerxes.

Emily Pogorelc sang Johanna in the 2016 Glimmerglass production of Sweeney Todd.

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Sean Michael Plumb as Prince Yamadori in the 2014 Glimmerglass Festival production of Madame Butterfly.
## YOUNG ARTIST PROGRAMS COMPARED

### Program length
- **Aix-en-Provence Festival**: Ten days to three months, depending on whether the individual is enrolled in the residency program and/or singing in one of the festival operas.
- **Glimmerglass Festival**: Three months.

### Enrollees’ participation
- **Aix**: Professionals fill the casts, some of whom are considered “young artists” and are Académie alumni. This summer, the five operas will use 17 Académie alumni.
- **Glimmerglass**: Each artist is assigned to at least two mainstage productions, ranging from singers from cast member to cover to chorus member. Professionals/artists-in-residence often take the major roles.

### Master classes open to the public?
- **Aix**: Yes, for a nominal admission charge.
- **Glimmerglass**: In 2016, master classes were open to the public for a nominal admission charge.

### Curriculum
- **Aix**: For singers, daily movement and acting classes plus voice lessons. Teachers include Susanna Eken (voice), Katie Mitchell (stage direction), Roberta Salsi (Italian pronunciation), Leonardo García Alarcon (conductor), Ondrej Adamek (composer).
- **Glimmerglass**: Classes with music staff; this summer’s faculty includes artist-in-residence William Burden, Kathryn LaBouff, and Donald Palumbo.

### Cost
- **Aix**: No tuition; travel, room, board, and weekly stipend provided.
- **Glimmerglass**: No tuition; travel, room, board, and weekly stipend provided.

### Enrollment (2017)
- **Aix**: 260 singers, musicians, directors, librettists, composers, designers, etc., out of about 1,000 applications, 327 of which were from singers.
- **Glimmerglass**: 54 singers, out of 800 applications.
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ARTOSPHERE: ARKANSAS’ ARTS AND NATURE FESTIVAL

Festival Highlights
Walton Arts Center proudly presents the 8th annual Artosphere: Arkansas’ Arts and Nature Festival, celebrating the intersection of art and nature with exciting events for all ages. With more than 90 musicians from distinguished symphonies and music programs around the world, the acclaimed Artosphere Festival Orchestra under Music Director Corrado Rovaris offers concerts at Crystal Bridges Museum of American Art at Walton Arts Center. This year’s Chapel Music Series offers chamber music in local chapels and architectural marvels with groups such as the acclaimed Dover Quartet. The annual Artosphere Trail Mix weekend enables audiences to hike or bike between stages while enjoying art and entertainment stops along the way. The 2017 festival also presents a number of family-friendly shows, as well as dance events.

LOCATION
Fayetteville and Bentonville, AR

DATES
May 4-20, 2017

DIRECTOR
Corrado Rovaris

GENRES
Classical • Folk • World

TICKET PRICE RANGE
$0 to $40

TICKET PURCHASE INFORMATION
Ticket Purchase Link
479-443-5600

BOOKING CONTACT
Scott Galbraith

SOCIAL LINKS

ASPEN MUSIC FESTIVAL AND SCHOOL

Festival Highlights
Music Director Robert Spano leads a season themed “Enchantment,” exploring the ideas of magic and transformation in music. Works include Stravinsky’s Firebird Suite and Petrushka, Zemlinsky’s The Mermaid, and a concert version of Ravel’s L’enfant et les sortilèges. Jonathan Biss returns for the second year of his three-year Beethoven Complete Piano Sonata odyssey. Special this year, the AMFS will present a three-concert post-season series curated and performed by AMFS alumnus and pianist Conrad Tao and violinist Stefan Jackiw.

The Aspen Opera Center, a training ground for singers on the cusp of their careers, presents two fully staged productions: Verdi’s La traviata and Mozart’s La clemenza di Tito. The AOC will also present the U.S. premiere of Luke Bedford’s opera Seven Angels in concert with the Aspen Contemporary Ensemble. One of the winners of the Van Cliburn International Piano Competition will perform a recital at Harris Concert Hall fresh from the competition; emerging star baritone André Schuen and pianist Andreas Haefliger reimagine Schubert’s Schwanengesang; Rufus Wainwright returns for an intimate concert featuring his music; Renée Fleming returns for a performance with the Aspen Festival Orchestra under Spano; guitarist Sharon Isbin performs Rodrigo’s Concierto de Aranjuez, a new concerto by Chris Brubeck, and music from Howard Shore’s score for The Departed.

The season closes with Spano conducting Berlioz’s The Damnation of Faust with Bryan Hymel, tenor; mezzo-soprano Sasha Cooke; and bass-baritone John Relyea.

LOCATION
Aspen, CO

DATES
June 29 - Aug 20, 2017

ARTISTIC DIRECTOR
Robert Spano

GENRE
Classical

TICKET PRICE RANGE
$0 to $90

TICKET PURCHASE INFORMATION
Ticket Purchase Link
970-925-9042

BOOKING CONTACTS
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SOCIAL LINKS

BANG ON A CAN
SUMMER MUSIC FESTIVAL AT MASS MOCA

FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS
The Bang on a Can Summer Music Festival at MASS MoCA (the Massachusetts Museum of Contemporary Art) is a musical utopia for innovative musicians in the beautiful Berkshire Mountains of western Massachusetts. The festival is entirely dedicated to adventurous contemporary music. We will spend three weeks immersed in today’s most exciting works. Composers will have their new pieces performed. Participants will play in ensembles sitting alongside their teachers. The schedule includes daily performances in the museum galleries, free with museum admission, and concludes with a six-hour blow-out Marathon Concert performed by festival ensembles and special guests. The festival also features African and Latin music workshops, electronics and music-business seminars, free events in the community, and more.

LOCATION North Adams, MA
Festival Website
DATES July 17 - Aug 6, 2017
ARTISTIC DIRECTORS Michael Gordon, David Lang, Julia Wolfe
GENRES Classical
TICKET PRICE RANGE $0 to $25
TICKET PURCHASE INFORMATION Ticket Purchase Link 413-662-2111
SOCIAL LINKS
BARD SUMMERSCAPE 2017

FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS
Parisian culture, Polish politics, and the piano are the focus of this summer’s annual Bard SummerScape festival, with seven weeks of music, opera, theater, dance, film, and cabaret keyed to the theme of the 28th Bard Music Festival, “Chopin and His World.” This intensive examination of the life and times of Fryderyk Chopin sheds new light on the Romantic era by way of a composer variously pigeonholed as a salon pianist or Polish nationalist, yet whose originality would ensure his universal impact and appeal. Some of his most compelling contemporaries also provide key SummerScape highlights, including a rare, fully staged production of Dimitrij, a grand opera by fellow Slavic nationalist Antonin Dvořák; the world premiere of A PINK CHAIR (IN PLACE OF A FAKE ANTIQUE), an homage to Polish artist and director Tadeusz Kantor by The Wooster Group; the SummerScape debut of New York City Ballet MOVES, with a program featuring Jerome Robbins’s Chopin-set Dances at a Gathering and In Creases by rising star Justin Peck; a film series exploring “Chopin and the Image of Romanticism”; and the return of Bard’s authentic and sensationally popular Spiegeltent, hosted by the inimitable Mx. Justin Vivian Bond.

LOCATION Annandale-on-Hudson, NY
DATES June 30 - Aug 20, 2017
ARTISTIC DIRECTOR Leon Botstein
GENRE Classical
TICKET PRICE RANGE $20 to $95
TICKET PURCHASE INFORMATION Ticket Purchase Link 845-758-7900
Booking cycle date range: Fall 2017 for Summer 2018
SOCIAL LINKS

BAY CHAMBER CONCERTS SUMMER MUSIC FESTIVAL

FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS
Bay Chamber’s Summer Music Festival glimmers with variety. While you can get your Bach, Beethoven, or Brahms fix at the festival, you will also experience novel, one-of-a-kind creative happenings—musical flights of imagination for audience and artists alike. This festival shines a light on living composers’ work for dynamic percussion groups, or unconventional combinations of string instruments with guitars and electronics, or mind-expanding combinations of projected visual art with physical performers and classical musicians, or dazzling harpsichord or theorbo players performing in a recently written chamber opera. And Rockport, ME, is a destination with a craggy and rugged shoreline along a bay dotted with hundreds of uninhabited islands, and crowned by pined mountains. The musical venues are approachable, sometimes historic, and always New-England-beautiful. And this high-note of summer is famously laid back: Leave stodgy at the door, wander around with a glass of wine, and introduce yourself to the young artists who just lit up your senses, and your mind.

LOCATION Rockport, ME
DATES Aug 16-20, 2017
ARTISTIC DIRECTOR Manuel Bagorro
GENRES Classical • Jazz • Ethnic
TICKET PRICE RANGE $10 to $100
TICKET PURCHASE INFORMATION Ticket Purchase Link 207-236-2823
BOOKING CONTACT Manuel Bagorro
Booking cycle date range: Fall 2017 for Summer 2018
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FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS
The 2017 Blossom Music Festival comprises 21 concerts of family-friendly programming: 19 by The Cleveland Orchestra and 2 by the Blossom Festival Band. Music Director Franz Welser-Möst conducts three different programs: Berlioz's *Symphonie fantastique* and Beethoven's Symphony No. 2 (July 8); opera favorites featuring soprano Erin Wall (July 9); and works by Beethoven, Milhaud, and Roussel. Other highlights include an Independence Day “Salute to America” program, an all-Tchaikovsky concert with the Piano Concerto No. 1 and Symphony No. 5; a tribute to Ella Fitzgerald; Paganini’s Violin Concerto No. 1 with First Assistant Principal Second Violin Eli Matthews; a side-by-side performance of Dvořák’s *New World Symphony* with the Kent/Blossom Chamber Orchestra; a “Hollywood Heroes and Superheroes” concert; and a “Best of Broadway” concert. The closing event is a screening of *E.T. The Extra-Terrestrial* with accompaniment by The Cleveland Orchestra.

LOCATION Cuyahoga Falls, OH
Festival Website

DATES July 1 - Sept 3, 2017

ARTISTIC DIRECTOR Franz Welser-Möst

GENRES Classical • Pop/Folk • Jazz • Movie music

TICKET PRICE RANGE $24 to $120

TICKET PURCHASE INFORMATION
Ticket Purchase Link
800-686-1141

SOCIAL LINKS

BOSTON EARLY MUSIC FESTIVAL

FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS
The 19th biennial Boston Early Music Festival features the fully staged North American premiere of André Campra’s 1699 opéra-ballet, *Le Carnaval de Venise*. Other highlights include a double bill of chamber operas by Pergolesi; Handel’s *La Resurrezione* with the BEMF Orchestra; 18 concerts featuring The King’s Singers, fortepianist Kristian Bezuidenhout, violinist Rachel Podger, Concerto Palatino, and many others; the world-famous exhibition, master classes, symposia, family day, dozens of “Fringe Concerts,” and so much more.

LOCATION Boston and Great Barrington, MA
Festival Website

DATES June 11-18, 2017

ARTISTIC DIRECTORS Paul O’Dette & Stephen Stubbs

GENRE Classical

TICKET PRICE RANGE $25 to $250

TICKET PURCHASE INFORMATION
Ticket Purchase Link
617-661-1812

BOOKING CONTACT Kathleen Fay

Booking cycle date range: January 2018 for Summer 2019

SOCIAL LINKS
BOWDOIN INTERNATIONAL MUSIC FESTIVAL

FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS
The Bowdoin International Music Festival is one of the premiere music institutes, providing an intensive and in-depth exploration of chamber and solo music. Every summer, 250 students make life-long connections with peers, enhance musicianship through study and performance, and engage with world-renowned faculty members from leading conservatories, from Curtis and Juilliard to the Royal College of Music.

LOCATION
Brunswick, ME
Festival Website

DATES
June 24 - Aug 5, 2017

ARTISTIC DIRECTORS
David Ying and Phillip Ying

GENRE
Classical

TICKET PRICE RANGE
$0 to $45

TICKET PURCHASE INFORMATION
Ticket Purchase Link
207-725-3895

SOCIAL LINKS

BRAVO! VAIL

FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS
Thirty years ago, Bravo! Vail opened its doors with three concerts and a vision to bring great music to Vail. Today, that vision has blossomed into a summer home to the world’s finest musicians and ensembles, with dozens of performances and programs for all ages. The 2017 season features residencies by London’s Academy of St. Martin in the Fields, the Dallas Symphony Orchestra, the Philadelphia Orchestra, and the New York Philharmonic. Also scheduled are pops concerts, major soloists, innovative chamber artistry, and delightful family programs, all in spectacular settings throughout the Vail Valley. Guest artists include cellist Steven Isserlis, violinists Leonidas Kavakos and Gil Shaham, and pianists Yefim Bronfman, Anne-Marie McDermott, and Inon Barnatan.

LOCATION
Vail, CO
Festival Website

DATES
June 22 - Aug 4, 2017

ARTISTIC DIRECTOR
Anne-Marie McDermott

GENRE
Classical

TICKET PRICE RANGE
$28 to $150

TICKET PURCHASE INFORMATION
Ticket Purchase Link
877-812-5700

SOCIAL LINKS

CABRILLO FESTIVAL OF CONTEMPORARY MUSIC

FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS
The Cabrillo Festival of Contemporary Music, America’s longest-running festival of new orchestral music, celebrates the arrival of its brilliant new music director, Cristian Macelaru, with a series of commissioned works that continue the festival’s forward-looking tradition and open creative doors for its dynamic young conductor. Macelaru, the Romanian-born conductor-in-residence at the Philadelphia Orchestra, begins his tenure with programs of premieres, new works, and fresh orchestrations by esteemed composers. Composers in residence this season include Karim Al-Zand, Clarice Assad, Gerald Barry, William Bolcom, Michael Gandolfi, Jake Heggie, Aaron Jay Kernis, David T. Little, Cindy McTee, Christopher Rountree, Gabriella Smith, and James Stevenson.

LOCATION Santa Cruz, CA
DATES July 30 - Aug 12, 2017
ARTISTIC DIRECTOR Cristian Macelaru
GENRE Classical
TICKET PRICE RANGE $30 to $65
TICKET PURCHASE INFORMATION Ticket Purchase Link
SOCIAL LINKS

CARAMOOR CENTER FOR MUSIC AND THE ARTS

FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS
From world premieres to canonical masterworks, from Argentine tango to Independence Day fireworks, there’s something for everyone this summer at Caramoor. The 72nd summer season features two artists-in-residence: guitarist Jason Vieaux and soprano Angela Meade. To celebrate the 20th anniversary of the Bel Canto at Caramoor series, Meade is featured in the opening-night gala and a semi-staging of Bellini’s I piarata. The Jazz Festival will be headlined by pianist McCoy Tyner with special guests Geri Allen & Craig Taborn, now in the third year of its groundbreaking partnership with Jazz at Lincoln Center, which additionally presents a concert by Butler, Bernstein & the Hot 9. Rhianneon Giddens and Sarah Jarosz headline the annual American Roots Music Festival, which also includes an evening with singer-songwriter John Fullbright and a concert by country legend Emmylou Harris. We close the season with Principal Conductor Pablo Heras-Casado and pianist Jean-Yves Thibaudet.

LOCATION Katonah, NY
DATES June 17 - July 30, 2017
ARTISTIC DIRECTOR Jeffrey P. Haydon
GENREs Classical • Pop/Folk • Jazz • Ethnic • Opera • Symphonic
TICKET PRICE RANGE $10 to $110
TICKET PURCHASE INFORMATION Ticket Purchase Link
BOOKING CONTACTS elie@caramoor.org
SOCIAL LINKS
CARINTHIAN SUMMER MUSIC FESTIVAL

FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS
Following a pre-opening on July 15 by CS underground, the festival begins July 16 with Alma Deutscher and the Wiener KammerOrchester; season highlights include the Vienna Boys Choir, the world premiere of the “church opera” Hemma; Rudolf Buchbinder; Brahms symphonies; special music salons; jazz and crossover concerts, open-air cinema, an eclectic music lab, picnic concert, and more.

LOCATION Vienna, Austria
Festival Website
DATES July 16 - Aug 26, 2017

CENTRAL CITY OPERA 2017 FESTIVAL

FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS
We invite you to experience the passionate Carmen by Bizet and Mozart’s enchanting Così fan tutte in a jewel box theater, tucked away in the rolling hills of Central City. Britten's The Burning Fiery Furnace, Moore's hilarious Gallantry, and Amy Beach’s mysterious Cabildo will accompany the main stage performances in surrounding venues throughout the town. Get away and enjoy three or more operas in one weekend.

LOCATION Central City, CO
Festival Website
DATES July 8 - Aug 6, 2017

CHAMBER MUSIC NORTHWEST SUMMER FESTIVAL

FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS
Our 2017 summer festival celebrates the music of women composers from Hildegard von Bingen to Ellen Taaffe Zwilich to Hannah Lash. Highlights include the Emerson, Dover, Brentano, and Calidore quartets; seven world premieres; Schumann’s complete string quartets; The Other Mozart, a theatrical production; and music by over 20 women composers.

LOCATION Portland, OR
Festival Website
DATES June 26 - July 30, 2017

CHAUTAUQUA MUSIC FESTIVAL

FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS
Voice students will be performing Turn of the Screw, an evening of opera scenes, and Carousel. Piano students can take part in both the SAI Competition and the annual Chautauqua Piano Competition. Orchestral highlights: Prokofiev Symphony No. 5; Korngold Symphony in F-sharp; Debussy La Mer and Stravinsky Firebird Suite (1919).

LOCATION Chautauqua, NY
Festival Website
DATES June 24 - Aug 15, 2017

ARTISTIC DIRECTOR Mr. Holger Bleck
GENRES Classical • Pop/Folk • Jazz • Crossover • Church Opera
TICKET PRICE RANGE $10.67 to $101.40
TICKET PURCHASE INFORMATION Ticket Purchase Link +43 (0) 1 / 596 81 98
BOOKING CONTACT office@carinthischersommer.at
Booking cycle date range: Spring 2017 for Summer 2017

ARTISTIC DIRECTOR David Shifrin
GENRE Classical
TICKET PRICE RANGE $30 to $60
TICKET PURCHASE INFORMATION Ticket Purchase Link 503-294-6400
BOOKING CONTACT Rachael Smith

ARTISTIC DIRECTORS Timothy Muffitt, orchestra; Marlena Malas, voice; Alexander Gavrylyuk, John Milbauer and Nicola Mellville, piano
GENRE Classical
TICKET PRICE RANGE $17 to $89
TICKET PURCHASE INFORMATION Ticket Purchase Link 716-357-6250
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CINCINNATI MAY FESTIVAL

FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS
The 2017 Cincinnati May Festival will take place at its temporary home, the Taft Theater in downtown Cincinnati. Featuring the May Festival Chorus (under Robert Porco) and Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra, the reimagined event will inspire audiences with fresh collaborations while also drawing on its rich tradition as Cincinnati's oldest arts organization. Gerard McBurney, named creative partner for 2017, has programmed immersive concert experiences surrounding Mendelssohn's A Midsummer Night's Dream on May 20, and Elgar’s magnificent Dream of Gerontius on May 26. Also programmed are works by Walter Braunfels, Bach, Beethoven, and Vaughan Williams. Guest artists for Beethoven’s Symphony No. 9: conductor Markus Stenz, soprano Carolyn Sampson, mezzo-soprano Jennifer Johnson Cano, tenor Thomas Cooley, and bass-baritone and artist-in-residence, Eric Owens. The Elgar artists include conductor Michael Francis, mezzo-soprano Michelle DeYoung, tenor Anthony Dean Griffey, and bass-baritone and artist-in-residence, Eric Owens. The Elgar artists include conductor Michael Francis, mezzo-soprano Michelle DeYoung, tenor Anthony Dean Griffey, and bass-baritone and artist-in-residence, Eric Owens. The Elgar artists include conductor Michael Francis, mezzo-soprano Michelle DeYoung, tenor Anthony Dean Griffey, and bass-baritone and artist-in-residence, Eric Owens. The Elgar artists include conductor Michael Francis, mezzo-soprano Michelle DeYoung, tenor Anthony Dean Griffey, and bass-baritone and artist-in-residence, Eric Owens. The Elgar artists include conductor Michael Francis, mezzo-soprano Michelle DeYoung, tenor Anthony Dean Griffey, and bass-baritone and artist-in-residence, Eric Owens. The Elgar artists include conductor Michael Francis, mezzo-soprano Michelle DeYoung, tenor Anthony Dean Griffey, and bass-baritone and artist-in-residence, Eric Owens. The Elgar artists include conductor Michael Francis, mezzo-soprano Michelle DeYoung, tenor Anthony Dean Griffey, and bass-baritone and artist-in-residence, Eric Owens. The Elgar artists include conductor Michael Francis, mezzo-soprano Michelle DeYoung, tenor Anthony Dean Griffey, and bass-baritone and artist-in-residence, Eric Owens.
CRESTED BUTTE MUSIC FESTIVAL

FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS
Our mission is to enrich, educate, and inspire our community with diverse art forms that celebrate the human spirit. Now in its 21st year, CBMF presents outstanding performances in diverse musical genres with accompanying hands-on educational programs each summer. Last year, over 130 world-class artists travelled to Crested Butte from all over the nation to perform a range of masterpieces to new works. As a result, residents of and visitors to rural Gunnison County have access to performances and programs typically available in a major metropolitan area. Local outreach efforts include collaborations with the music and art curriculum at the Crested Butte Community School, the Frank Vignola Guitar Camp, and The Bluegrass Kids Camp. The 2016 Crested Butte Opera Studio featured 12 developing performers out of 400 applicants to receive professional coaching and be cast members of La bohème.

This year marks the beginning of two new initiatives: The Orchestral Fellows Program provides conservatory and music school students the opportunity to perform orchestral and chamber music concerts side-by-side with the professional musicians in the Festival Orchestra. In the Chamber Music Intensive, serious amateurs get coaching from world-class musicians and get ample performance experience.

LOCATION Crested Butte, CO
DATES June 23 - Aug 5, 2017
ARTISTIC DIRECTORS Emily & Erik Peterson
GENRES Classical • Pop/Folk • Jazz
TICKET PRICE RANGE $0 to $200
TICKET PURCHASE INFORMATION Ticket Purchase Link
970-349-0619
BOOKING CONTACT Erik Peterson
SOCIAL LINKS

DECODA | SKIDMORE CHAMBER MUSIC INSTITUTE

FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS
The Decoda | Skidmore Chamber Music Institute enables young musicians to explore leadership and community service through the intensive study of chamber music. Under the guidance of Decoda faculty, artist-students will learn how to fully engage their audiences and communities through interactive performances while improving their musical and public-speaking skills. Faculty includes: Alicia Lee, Claire Bryant, Angelia Cho, Catherine Gregory, Michael Mizrahi, Brandon Ridenour, Kris Saebo, Nathan Schram, Brad Balliett, and Jack Stulz. Composer Andrew Norman is an expected guest artist.

LOCATION Saratoga Springs, NY
DATES July 9-22, 2017
ARTISTIC DIRECTOR Alicia Lee
GENRES Classical • Chamber
TICKET PRICE RANGE $0 to $8
TICKET PURCHASE INFORMATION Ticket Purchase Link
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Des Moines Metro Opera's 45th Summer Festival season features company premieres of Sondheim's *A Little Night Music*, with Kelly Kaduce as Desiree and Joyce Castle as Madame Armfeldt; Piazzolla’s *Mar-a de Buenos Aires*, with Elise Quagliata as Marfa; and a new production of Puccini’s *Turandot*, with Alexandra LoBianco and Jonathan Burton as Turandot and Calaf. In partnership with the Benjamin Britten estate, the company premieres a new edition of *Billy Budd*, with revised orchestration by Britten scholar Steuart Bedford. Craig Verm stars as Billy Budd and Roger Honeywell as Captain Vere.

**LOCATION**
Indianola, IA

**DATES**
June 23 - July 16, 2017

**ARTISTIC DIRECTOR**
Michael Egel

**GENRE**
Classical

**TICKET PRICE RANGE**
$37 to $98

**TICKET PURCHASE INFORMATION**
Ticket Purchase Link
515-961-6221

**SOCIAL LINKS**

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**DROTTNINGHOLMS SLOTTSTEATER**

**FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS**
An international artistic team headed by the French conductor Marc Minkowski has been working with Drottningholms Slottsteater for a three-year period, 2015-17, to stage Mozart’s Da Ponte trilogy. *Così fan tutte* will be performed August 5-19. Also included: concerts, special events, activities for children, and daily guided tours April-September.

**LOCATION**
Drottningholm, Sweden

**DATES**
June 6 - Aug 19, 2017

**ARTISTIC DIRECTORS**
Sofi Lerström/Maria Lindal

**GENRE**
Classical

**TICKET PRICE RANGE**
$40 to $150

**TICKET PURCHASE INFORMATION**
Ticket Purchase Link
+46 77 17 07070

**BOOKING CONTACT**
Kristian Holstein

**SOCIAL LINKS**

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David Daniels, Artist-in-Residence

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FAIRBANKS SUMMER ARTS FESTIVAL

FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS
Our two weeks of study and performance consists of 200 workshops and 100 performances in music, healing arts, visual arts, theater, dance, creative writing, and culinary arts. The core purpose is to awaken everyone’s inner artist and give voice to their passions. The festival’s mission is to provide highly qualified guest artists who offer study and performance opportunities that increase personal growth and arts appreciation among participants, regardless of skill level or experience. Participants can attend one concert, a mini-workshop, or the full two weeks. With free lunchtime concerts and a wide variety of simultaneous daily evening concerts, there is always something for everyone.

LOCATION Fairbanks, AK
DATES July 16-30, 2017
ARTISTIC DIRECTOR Terese Kaptur
GENRES Classical • Pop/Folk • Jazz • Ethnic
TICKET PRICE RANGE $0 to $500
TICKET PURCHASE INFORMATION
Ticket Purchase Link 907-474-8869
BOOKING CONTACT Dori Nix
Booking cycle date range: Fall 2017 for Summer 2018
SOCIAL LINKS

FESTIVAL D’AIX-EN-PROVENCE

FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS
New productions of Bizet’s Carmen, Stravinsky’s The Rake’s Progress, Mozart’s Don Giovanni, Cavalli’s Erismena, and a world premiere of Pinocchio composed by Philippe Boesmans and staged by Jodi Pommerat. Plus, Eugene Onegin in concert with the chorus and orchestra of the State Academic Bolshoi Theater of Russia, concerts by Orchestre de Paris, Ensemble Klangforum, Le Cercle de l’Harmonie, Cappella Mediterranea, Sonia Wieder-Atherton, Quatuor Van Kuijk, Quatuor Béla, Aka Moon, Saltana Quartet, Udopia, Cairo Jazz Station, and Mediterranean Youth Orchestra.


LOCATION Aix-en-Provence, France
DATES July 3-22, 2017
ARTISTIC DIRECTOR Bernard Foccroulle
TICKET PRICE RANGE $15 to $270
TICKET PURCHASE INFORMATION
Ticket Purchase Link +33 4 34 08 02 17
BOOKING CONTACT Alain Perroux
Booking cycle date range: From three years to one before the Festival is held in July
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FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS
Orchestras: Orquesta Teatro di San Carlo, Zubin Mehta; Orquesta Ciudad Granada, Josep Pons; The Orchestra of the Age of Enlightenment, William Christie; London Symphony Orchestra, Simon Rattle; Orquesta Nacional de España, David Afkham; Philharmonia Orchestra, Pablo Heras-Casado. Ballet companies: Ballet Teatro di San Carlo; Ballet Nacional de España; Béjart Ballet Lausanne; Het National Ballet.

LOCATION
Granada, Spain
Festival Website
DATES
June 23 - July 14, 2017
ARTISTIC DIRECTOR
Diego Martinez
GENRES
Classical • Flamenco
TICKET PRICE RANGE
8€ to 85€
TICKET PURCHASE INFORMATION
Ticket Purchase Link
+34 958 221 844
BOOKING CONTACT
Elia Duro
SOCIAL LINKS

THE GLIMMERGLASS FESTIVAL
FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS
The Glimmerglass Festival’s scenic campus lies on the shore of sparkling Otsego Lake in Cooperstown, NY, nestled between the Adirondack and Catskill Mountains. Each season, the company presents new productions of opera and musical theater, accompanied by concerts, lectures and a world-premiere youth opera. Scheduled for 2017 are Gershwin's Porgy and Bess, Rodgers and Hammerstein's Oklahoma!, Donizetti's The Siege of Calais, and Handel's Xerxes. Also planned are appearances by Stephen Schwartz and David Sedaris; Derrick Wang's one-act comic opera, Scalia/Ginsburg, starring Artist-in-Residence William Burden; a film screening, cabarets, and two world premieres—Ben Moore and Kelley Rourke's youth opera Robin Hood and Victor Simonson and Paige Hernandez’s hip-hopera Stomping Grounds.

LOCATION
Cooperstown, NY
Festival Website
DATES
July 7 - Aug 22, 2017
DIRECTORS
Francesca Zambello, artistic & general director; Joseph Colaneri, music director
GENRE
Classical
TICKET PRICE RANGE
$26 to $149
TICKET PURCHASE INFORMATION
Ticket Purchase Link
607-547-2255
BOOKING CONTACT
Christopher Powell
SOCIAL LINKS

**THE GOLANDSKY INSTITUTE SUMMER SYMPOSIUM AND INTERNATIONAL PIANO FESTIVAL**

**FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS**
One week of world-class concerts by the Bill Charlap Trio, Ilya Itin, Sean Duggan, Josu de Solaun, Anna Petrova, and Claudio Martinez Mehner. We offer intensive training in the Taubman Approach each day before the evening concert.

**LOCATION** Princeton, NJ

**DATES** July 9-16, 2017

**ARTISTIC DIRECTOR** Edna Golandsky

**GENRE** Classical

**TICKET PRICE RANGE** $15 to $25

**TICKET PURCHASE INFORMATION**
Ticket Purchase Link
877-733-1128

**BOOKING CONTACT** Adrienne Sirken

**SOCIAL LINKS**

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**GRAND TETON MUSIC FESTIVAL**

**FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS**
The Festival Orchestra kicks off July 4th week with a Patriotic Pops and concerts featuring violinist Augustin Hadelich in Sibelius's Violin Concerto and a new work by Marc Neikrug. During the second week, Cristian Macelaru conducts the Suite from Prokofiev's *Romeo and Juliet* and Maja Bogdanovic performs Saint-Saëns's Cello Concerto. Also planned: pianist Yefim Bronfman in the Brahms Piano Concerto with Vasily Petrenko on the podium; mezzo-soprano Kelley O'Connor with Music Director Donald Runnicles on a program with Mahler's Symphony No. 9; Yo-Yo Ma in a gala fundraising concert; Denis Kozhukhin performing Rachmaninoff Piano Concerto No. 2. Star-themed orchestral works in advance of the eclipse include Holst's *The Planets* and Aaron Jay Kernis's *Musica Celestis* on a program with a Beethoven Concerto with violinist James Ehnes. The final week offers Vaughan Williams's *The Lark Ascending*, Mozart's *Jeunehomme* Piano Concerto No. 9 with Garrick Ohlsson, and the *Jupiter* Symphony No. 41. Chamber groups include Brooklyn Rider and Sybarite5; also planned are recitals by Ohlsson and the Cliburn Gold Medalist, Baroque night with Jeannette Sorrell, and a live taping of NPR's *Performance Today*.

**LOCATION** Jackson, WY

**DATES** July 3 - Aug 20, 2017

**ARTISTIC DIRECTOR** Donald Runnicles

**GENRE** Classical

**TICKET PRICE RANGE** $0 to $500

**TICKET PURCHASE INFORMATION**
Ticket Purchase Link
307-733-1128

**BOOKING CONTACT** Marty Camino

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GREEN MOUNTAIN CHAMBER MUSIC FESTIVAL

FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS
During its four-week 2017 season, Green Mountain will offer seven concerts by the 35 distinguished faculty members of our summer conservatory. Repertory includes the heart of the chamber repertory, plus rarely heard 19th- and 20th-century works, and fresh compositional voices of our time. In a four-day residency, cellist Matt Haimovitz, known for his presentation of classical music in unconventional venues, will discuss musical entrepreneurship, speak on the current climate of classical music, and perform; Paul Huang, winner of a 2015 Avery Fisher Career Grant, will also give a concert. During the intensive four-week program of solo and chamber music study, 180 string players, ages 14-30, are immersed in an atmosphere of focused professionalism, with four hours of daily individual practice, daily chamber music rehearsals, lessons, ensemble coachings, and master classes, as well as extensive student performance opportunities in the concert hall and in other, less conventional venues.

LOCATION: Burlington, VT
DATES: June 25 - July 23, 2017
ARTISTIC DIRECTOR: Kevin Lawrence
GENRES: Classical
TICKET PRICE RANGE: $25 to $25
TICKET PURCHASE INFORMATION: Ticket Purchase Link
802-503-1220

HOLLYWOOD BOWL 2017 SEASON

FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS
One of the largest natural amphitheaters in the world with a seating capacity of nearly 18,000, the Hollywood Bowl has been the summer home of the Los Angeles Philharmonic since its official opening in 1922 and plays host to the finest artists from all genres of music.

LOCATION: Los Angeles, CA
DATES: June 17 - Sept 24, 2017
ARTISTIC DIRECTOR: Gustavo Dudamel
GENRES: Classical • Pop/Folk • Jazz • Ethnic
TICKET PRICE RANGE: $1 to $170
TICKET PURCHASE INFORMATION: Ticket Purchase Link
323-850-2000
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FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS
Recitals in the Kaye Playhouse at Hunter College are performed by Jerome Rose, Vladimir Feltsman, Alon Goldstein, Alexander Kobrin, Geoffrey Burleson, with pre-concert program notes each evening by David Dubal and Friends. The world premiere of Gottschalk’s Symphony No. 1, transcribed and performed by Steven Mayer, will be complemented by a free lecture by Dubal titled “Louis Moreau Gottschalk & the History of the American Pianist.” Also included are the Scholarship Awards Competition finals and daily masterclasses.

LOCATION New York, NY
Festival Website

DATES July 16-30, 2017
ARTISTIC DIRECTOR Jerome Rose
GENRE Classical
TICKET PRICE RANGE $20 to $20
TICKET PURCHASE INFORMATION Ticket Purchase Link
212-772-4448
BOOKING CONTACT Julie Kedershia
Booking cycle date range: Fall 2017 for Summer 2018
SOCIAL LINKS

ISING! INTERNATIONAL YOUNG ARTISTS FESTIVAL

FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS
iSING! International Young Artists Festival is the first-ever festival dedicated to vocal arts in China. Founded six years ago with a mission to introduce Mandarin as a lyric language, and Chinese vocal music as an emerging genre in the mainstream music world, iSING! offers a unique opportunity for Western singers to explore the new and exciting opera scene in China. The 2017 festival will present Puccini’s Gianni Schicchi and classic opera scenes from the contemporary Chinese operatic literature—a brand new initiative for the program.

LOCATION Suzhou, China
Festival Website

DATES July 24 - Aug 26, 2017
ARTISTIC DIRECTOR Hai Jiang Tian
GENRE Classical
TICKET PRICE RANGE N/A
TICKET PURCHASE INFORMATION 646-258-9192
BOOKING CONTACT Joanna Yue

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45TH ISTANBUL MUSIC FESTIVAL

FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS
The 45th Istanbul Music Festival will host many local and international artists, including Hnseyin Sermet, Fazil Say, Alina Pogostkina, and Mathias Goerne, as well as some of the world’s leading ensembles, such as the Russian Chamber Philharmonic of St. Petersburg, Vienna Chamber Orchestra, London Chamber Orchestra, Ebène Quartet, and Borusan Istanbul Philharmonic.

LOCATION Istanbul, Turkey
Festival Website

DATES May 29 - June 21, 2017
ARTISTIC DIRECTOR Yesim Gürer Oymak
GENRE Classical
TICKET PRICE RANGE $7 to $95
TICKET PURCHASE INFORMATION Ticket Purchase Link +90 212 23 34 09 58
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KILLINGTON MUSIC FESTIVAL

FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS
KMF 2017 marks 35 years of inspired chamber music performances, in the heart of Vermont’s Green Mountains. Resident Artists work with KMF faculty to offer private lessons, small-ensemble coachings, studio classes, master classes, sectionals, and reading sessions. There are also performance opportunities; the supportive environment at KMF encourages active cooperation and the open exchange of musical ideas.


LOCATION Killington, VT
DATES July 1-28, 2017
ARTISTIC DIRECTOR Daniel Andai
GENRE Classical
TICKET PRICE RANGE $25 to $25
TICKET PURCHASE INFORMATION 802-422-3300
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LA JOLLA MUSIC SOCIETY SUMMERFEST

FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS
SummerFest 2017 marks violinist Cho-Liang Lin’s 17th year as music director and welcomes the return of the Miró Quartet, violinists David Chan and Chee-Yun, violists Paul Neubauer and Toby Hoffman, cellist Clive Greensmith, pianist Olga Kern, and soprano Lyubov Petrova, among others.

Opening night is filled with spectacular artistry from world-renowned violinists and celebrated pianists in “Fiddles vs. Pianos.” Finnish master Olli Mustonen evokes the era of virtuoso composer-pianists, in a program spanning two centuries with Beethoven’s piano sonatas and his own brilliant quintet. The Kalichstein-Laredo-Robinson Trio celebrates its 40th anniversary with a new work written for it by Ellen Taaffe Zwilich, along with trios by Mendelssohn and Brahms.

Cho-Liang Lin and pianist Jon Kimura Parker launch a three-concert journey through the complete Beethoven violin-piano sonatas. The sublime Kreutzer sonata is the capstone for the second night, performed by violinist Jennifer Koh and pianist Shai Wosner. The last duo, violinist Yura Lee and pianist Gilles Vonsattel, bring the exploration to a close with Brahms’s final Violin Sonata No. 10. Violinist Regina Carter makes her SummerFest debut alongside her quartet in an evening showcase; cellist Alisa Weilerstein returns for “An Evening With” in a program of works by Bach and Brahms’s Clarinet Trio, with clarinetist Anthony McGill and pianist Inon Barnatan. An All-Star Chamber Orchestra led by David Zinman brings SummerFest’s 31st festival to a close.

LOCATION La Jolla, CA
DATES Aug 4-25, 2017
MUSIC DIRECTOR Cho-Liang Lin
GENRE Classical
TICKET PRICE RANGE $45 to $75
TICKET PURCHASE INFORMATION Ticket Purchase Link 858-459-3728
BOOKING CONTACT Leah Rosenthal

LAKE FIELD MUSIC

FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS
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LOCATION Lakefield, ON, Canada
DATES Aug 13-20, 2017
ARTISTIC DIRECTOR Andrew Wolf
GENRES Classical • Pop/Folk • Jazz • Ethnic
TICKET PRICE RANGE $899 to $1499 for the week
TICKET PURCHASE INFORMATION Ticket Purchase Link 647-692-3463
BOOKING CONTACT Andrew Wolf
Booking cycle date range: March to June 2017 for August 2017
SOCIAL LINKS

LAKE GEORGE MUSIC FESTIVAL

FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS
Musicians attend solely as a way to advance intellectually, artistically, and professionally; working closely together in a tight-knit community and nurturing atmosphere, they perform daily open rehearsals, public concerts, and outreach events in the picturesque summer resort town of Lake George. Repertoire is selected from requests submitted by participating musicians. Each can be assured to have an active and rigorous rehearsal and performance schedule.

As a performance- and community-based festival, LGMF bridges the gap between faculty and students. There are no teachers or students, private lessons, master classes, or organized studios. Rather, a unique roster of distinguished artists and young musicians at the cusp of their professional careers collaborate in chamber music ensembles, a full orchestral setting, and innovative outreach programs and concerts.

LOCATION Lake George, NY
DATES Aug 11-24, 2017
ARTISTIC DIRECTORS Barbora Kolarova and Roger Kalia
GENRE Classical
TICKET PRICE RANGE $10 to $100
TICKET PURCHASE INFORMATION Ticket Purchase Link 518-791-5089
BOOKING CONTACT Alexander Lombard
Booking cycle date range: Fall 2017
SOCIAL LINKS
LINCOLN CENTER FESTIVAL

FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS
The 2017 edition will offer Cloud River Mountain in two staged concerts, with music by Lao Luo, Michael Gordon, David Lang, and Julia Wolfe. Classical-contemporary Chinese singer Gong Linna performs with the Bang on a Can All Stars. Also planned: Morton Subotnick’s Silver Apples of the Moon, marking the landmark electronic work’s 50th anniversary and performed by the composer on a modern-day version of the Buchla synthesizer; plus Crowds and Power, performed by Joan La Barbara and Subotnick with video by German media artist-performer Lillevan. A tribute to Ornette Coleman features a screening of Naked Lunch accompanied live by Ensemble Signal, which will also offer a chamber-music concert. Brazilian Topicalia superstar Carlinhos Brown performs for one night, as do Maria Ponianowska, the Bohemian Trio, H’Sao, Tcheka, and Le Trio Jourban.

To honor the 50th anniversary of George Balanchine’s Jewels, members of the New York City, Paris Opera, and the Bolshoi ballets will collaborate on five performances; Christophe Maillot’s The Taming of the Shrew, to the music of Shostakovich, will be performed by the Bolshoi Ballet. The NYC Ballet Orchestra performs under Andrew Litton. The festival also offers theater productions from Israel, Syria, France, and England, and modern dance from Japan.

LOCATION New York, NY
DATES July 10-30, 2017
DIRECTOR Nigel Redden
GENRES Classical • Pop/Folk • Jazz • Ethnic • Dance • Theater
TICKET PRICE RANGE $15 to $500
TICKET PURCHASE INFORMATION Ticket Purchase Link 212-721-6500
BOOKING CONTACT Nigel Redden
Booking cycle date range: All year round
SOCIAL LINKS

The Fairbanks Summer Arts Festival is made possible by financial and in-kind gifts, and is supported in part by the Alaska State Council on the Arts, the National Endowment for the Arts, the Rasmuson Foundation, Saltchuk, Alyeska Pipeline Service Co., Fairbanks Memorial Hospital, and the Fairbanks Arts Association/City of Fairbanks Bed Tax Tourism Council, in partnership with the University of Alaska Fairbanks.
MINNESOTA ORCHESTRA SOMMERFEST

FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS
The Minnesota Orchestra and Sommerfest Artistic Director Andrew Litton reunite for their 14th and final summer together. Litton, whose tenure began in 2003, is the longest-serving artistic director in Sommerfest history. Highlights of the 2017 festival include opening weekend concerts that celebrate Doc Severinsen, Pops conductor laureate, with Doc’s Symphony, conducted by Orchestra Music Director Osmo Vänskä. Doc’s 90th birthday will feature a special concert with guest artists, conducted by Sarah Hicks. Litton conducts performances of Gershwin’s Who Cares with dancers from The New York City Ballet; André Watts plays the MacDowell Piano Concerto No. 2 on a program that also has Tchaikovsky’s Symphony No. 3. There’s an evening of waltzes and polkas by J. Strauss paired with Tchaikovsky’s Third Piano Concerto with soloist William Wolfram; and the finale is a concert production of R. Strauss’s Salome starring Patricia Racette. Litton also performs chamber music on the piano with members of the Minnesota Orchestra in works by Strauss, Poulenc, Arensky, and Rota.

LOCATION  Minneapolis, MN
DATES  July 21 - Aug 5, 2017

ARTISTIC DIRECTOR  Andrew Litton
GENRE  Classical
TICKET PRICE RANGE  $25 to $85
TICKET PURCHASE INFORMATION  Ticket Purchase Link
612-371-5656
SOCIAL LINKS  ML

MINNESOTA ORCHESTRA SOMMERFEST, cont’d

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SOCIAL LINKS  ML

MARLBORO MUSIC FESTIVAL

FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS
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LOCATION  Marlboro, VT
DATES  July 15 - Aug 13, 2016

ARTISTIC DIRECTOR  Mitsuko Uchida
GENRE  Classical
TICKET PRICE RANGE  $15 to $37.50
TICKET PURCHASE INFORMATION  Ticket Purchase Link
215-569-4690 (until June 13); 802-254-2394 (from June 20)
BOOKING CONTACT  jloux@marlboromusic.org

SOCIAL LINKS  ML

LUCERNE FESTIVAL

FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS
This summer’s theme is “Identity.” Riccardo Chailly and the Lucerne Festival Orchestra will devote themselves to symphonic programs featuring works by Mendelssohn, Strauss, Stravinsky, and Tchaikovsky. At the Lucerne Festival Academy, Wolfgang Rihm leads the second Composer Seminar, and Academy students will work with Matthias Pintscher and Heinz Holliger as well as the “artistes étoiles” Patricia Kopatchinskaja and Jay Campbell. This year’s composer-in-residence is Michel van der Aa.

The 30 symphony concerts feature the Berlin and Vienna Philharmonics, the Chamber Orchestra of Europe, the Royal Concertgebouw, West-Eastern Divan, Pittsburgh Symphony, and the Mariinsky Orchestras and many more.

LOCATION  Lucerne, Switzerland
DATES  Aug 11 - Sept 10, 2017
ARTISTIC DIRECTOR  Michael Haefliger
GENRE  Classical
TICKET PRICE RANGE  $20 to $345
TICKET PURCHASE INFORMATION  Ticket Purchase Link
+41 41 226 44 80
BOOKING CONTACT  info@lucernefestival.ch
SOCIAL LINKS  ML

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SOCIAL LINKS  ML
## Mizzou International Composers Festival

**Festival Highlights**

Ensemble-in-Residence Alarm Will Sound, hailed by the New York Times as “one of the most vital and original ensembles on the American scene,” will work intensively with eight resident composers—selected from an international pool of applicants—on the premieres of new works. The festival will feature guest composers Dan Visconti (Chicago, IL) and Georg Friedrich Haas (Graz, Austria), who will have several works performed and coach the resident composers. Alarm Will Sound will perform Haas’s *Remix* as well as the world premiere of Visconti’s *Psychedelia*, an unconventional encore that accumulates in energy as the ensemble passes along a simple chant line. Also on the schedule are performances by the Mizzou New Music Ensemble and University of Missouri faculty in works by Haas, Visconti, and festival directors Stefan Freund and W. Thomas McKenney.

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## Montreal Chamber Music Festival

**Festival Highlights**

Founder and Artistic Director Denis Brott has featured the music of Beethoven in the Montreal Chamber Music Festival’s 22nd Season, anchored by the performance of the complete Beethoven string quartets over six concerts by the extraordinary Dover Quartet, which has “enjoyed a rise to the top [that] looks practically meteoric” (Strings Magazine). The festival is preceded by a three-concert “Prestige Series” with Canadian pianist Jan Lisiecki, a world premiere by Yoav Talmi, the Israeli Chamber Project, the Rolston String Quartet, and jazz performances by Rémi Bolduc, Robi Botos, and Natalie MacMaster. Additional highlights: the first Montreal performance by the winners of the 2016 Banff International String Quartet Competition (BISQC), the Rolston Quartet; the Quebec premiere of Zosha di Castro’s First String Quartet; and a performance of Mendelssohn’s Octet by the Dover Quartet (2013 winners of BISQC) and the Rolston Quartet, on stage together for the first time! A total of 43 events, at all times of day.

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25TH MORITZBURG FESTIVAL

FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS
The 25th festival edition under the patronage of the Federal Minister of the Interior Dr. Thomas de Maizière will cover a range of traditional chamber music as well as contemporary music, including works by this year’s composer-in-residence, Sven Helbig. Renowned soloists include Baiba Skride, Andreas Ottensamer, Arabella Steinbacher, Lawrence Power, Alexander Sitkovetsky, Mira Wang, Lise de la Salle, Ning Feng, Louis Lortie, Richard O’Neill, Alessio Bax, Gloria Chien, and Felix Klieser. Concerts take place in the Moritzburg Castle, the Churches Moritzburg and Steinbach, the Proschwitz Castle near Meissen, and in one of the hangars of the Elbe Flugzeugwerke. Highlights include “Italian Night” with works of Rossini, Verdi and others. Young musicians in the Academy form the Festival Orchestra, conducted by Josep Caballé Domenech. In addition to the opening concert in Volkswagen’s “Die Gläserne Manufaktur” in Dresden, the orchestra will perform at the King Albert Theater in Bad Elster.

LOCATION Dresden, Germany

DATES Aug 5-20, 2017

ARTISTIC DIRECTOR Jan Vogler

GENRES Classical • Chamber Music

TICKET PRICE RANGE $5 to $150

TICKET PURCHASE INFORMATION Ticket Purchase Link

BOOKING CONTACT Anne Maria Kaiser, artistic administrator

SOCIAL LINKS

MOSTLY MOZART FESTIVAL

FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS
Lincoln Center’s Mostly Mozart Festival, a summertime tradition in New York, enters its sixth decade in 2017 under the leadership of Ehrenkranz Artistic Director Jane Moss and Music Directors Renée and Robert Belfer and Louis Langrée. Building on last year’s successful 50th anniversary, the festival features concerts by the Mostly Mozart Festival Orchestra, opera, chamber, and contemporary music; and intimate late-night recitals. Among this year’s highlights is the Budapest Festival Orchestra’s acclaimed production of Don Giovanni, directed and conducted by Iván Fischer.

LOCATION New York, NY

DATES July 25 - Aug 20, 2017

DIRECTORS Jane Moss, Ehrenkranz artistic director; Louis Langrée, Renée and Robert Belfer music directors

GENRE Classical

TICKET PRICE RANGE $0 to $150

TICKET PURCHASE INFORMATION Ticket Purchase Link

BOOKING CONTACT Jane Moss

SOCIAL LINKS

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MUSIC ACADEMY OF THE WEST SUMMER FESTIVAL

**FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS**

The 70th anniversary summer season offers 10 premieres, a leadership conference, and an inaugural Solo Piano Competition in partnership with Steinway & Sons. The NY Philharmonic partnership culminates in a Community Concert for 7,500 attendees overlooking the Pacific Ocean on July 31, in Alan Gilbert’s final performance as the Orchestra’s music director. Santa Barbara’s largest-ever classical music event will also feature alumni soloists soprano Susanna Phillips and mezzo-soprano Sasha Cooke, joined by tenor Joe Kaiser and bass Morris Robinson with the Los Angeles Master Chorale in Beethoven’s Ninth Symphony.

Other guest artists in 2017: Matthew Aucoin, Edo de Waart, Larry Rachleff, Stephen Hough, Renée Fleming, David Daniels, the JACK Quartet, violinists Nicolas Mann and Pamela Frank, composer/cellist Joshua Roman, composers Caroline Shaw and Jake Heggie, pianist Robert McDonald, and NY Philharmonic principals Frank Huang, Carter Brey, Joseph Alessi, Judith LeClair, and Daniel Druckman.

A new production of *The Elixir of Love* will be conducted by alumna Speranza Scappucci and directed by James Darrah at the Granada Theater.

**LOCATION** Santa Barbara, CA

**DATES** June 12 - Aug 5, 2017

**ARTISTIC DIRECTOR** Patrick Posey

**GENRE** Classical

**TICKET PRICE RANGE** $10 to $120

**TICKET PURCHASE INFORMATION** Ticket Purchase Link 805-969-8787

**BOOKING CONTACT** Patrick Posey 805-695-7922

**SOCIAL LINKS**

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MUSIC HOUSE INTERNATIONAL

**FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS**

Directed by Kimberly Fisher, principal second violin of the Philadelphia Orchestra, MHI gives college students and young professionals a chance to work with members of the Philadelphia Orchestra in private lessons, master classes, audition and performance preparation, chamber music, and orchestra rehearsals. At the end of the 17-day event, musicians perform a 10-minute mock audition before Philadelphia Orchestra Assistant Conductor Kensho Watanabe. The program offers intensive audition repertoire exposure, ample solo opportunities, two concerto competitions, and more. Faculty includes principal and assistant principal members of the Philadelphia Orchestra.

**LOCATION** Bryn Mawr, PA

**DATES** June 14-30, 2017

**ARTISTIC DIRECTORS** Kimberly Fisher and Kensho Watanabe

**GENRE** Classical

**TICKET PRICE RANGE** $10

**TICKET PURCHASE INFORMATION** 856-875-6816

**BOOKING CONTACT** info@pimf.org

**SOCIAL LINKS**

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Boston Early Music Festival

**LOCATION** Boston, MA, USA

**DATES** June 11–18, 2017

**GENRE** Early Music

**TICKET BUYER INFORMATION**

Enjoy a weekend celebration of Early Music with FULLY STAGED OPERA, a full week of CONCERTS, the world-famous EXHIBITION, and so much more!

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**MUSIC IN THE VINEYARDS**

**FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS**
The festival kicks off in August featuring new and classic chamber music repertoire in stunning winery settings. This season’s guests include the Pacifica Quartet, the Chiara Quartet, and the popular Escher Quartet in their fourth return engagement with us. There will be other familiar faces as well: flutist Lorna McGhee, conductor/clarinetist Osmo Vänskä, violinists Erin Keefe, Ara Gregorian, Hye-Jin Kim, and Violaine Melançon, conductor/clarinetist Osmo Vänskä, violinists Erin Keefe, Ara Gregorian, Hye-Jin Kim, and Violaine Melançon, violist David Harding, cellist Nicholas Canellakis, pianists Wei-Yi Yang and Michael Brown, and violinist Axel Strauss. The festival begins on August 4th with concerts on Fridays, Saturdays, Sundays, and Wednesdays through August 27th. A special gala evening on August 12th celebrates La Belle Époque with gourmet French dining and a live auction.

**LOCATION**
Napa Valley—various wineries

**DATES**
Aug 4-27, 2017

**ARTISTIC DIRECTORS**
Michael & Daria Adams

**GENRES**
Classical • Chamber Music

**TICKET PRICE RANGE**
$55 to $60

**TICKET PURCHASE INFORMATION**
Ticket Purchase Link
707-258-5559

**BOOKING CONTACT**
Evie Ayers
Booking cycle date range: Fall 2017 for Summer 2018

**SOCIAL LINKS**
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**MUSIC MOUNTAIN**

**FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS**
The 88th season launches with pianist Peter Serkin, violinist Stefan Jackiw, and cellist Jay Campbell. The season continues with ten string quartets including Cassatt String Quartet, Arianna String Quartet, Penderecki String Quartet, Ariel Quartet, Harlem String Quartet, Aelous String Quartet, Daedalus String Quartet, Shanghai String Quartet, Amernet String Quartet, and the Juilliard String Quartet. The St. Petersburg Piano Quartet returns with two noteworthy programs. Additional guest artists: Alexander Fiterstein, clarinet; Vivek Kamath, viola; Nicholas Canellakis, cello; pianists Michael Brown, Mihaee Lee, Julia Hsu, Victoria Schwartzman, Leopoldo Erici, Fei-Fei Dong, Geoffrey Burleson, Tanya Bannister.


**LOCATION**
Lakeville, CT

**DATES**
June 11 - Sept 17, 2017

**ARTISTIC DIRECTOR**
Oskar Espina-Ruiz

**GENRE**
Classical • Jazz

**TICKET PRICE RANGE**
$27 to $75

**TICKET PURCHASE INFORMATION**
Ticket Purchase Link
860-824-7126 or 860-824-7626

**BOOKING CONTACT**
http://musicmountain.org/contact-us/
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CHAMBER MUSIC FESTIVAL AND INSTITUTE

FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS
Highlights of the season’s opening performance, “The Path to Bach,” include Baroque works written by the violin’s earliest composers plus Bach’s Concerto in D Minor for Two Violins, Strings, and Continuo, featuring Escher String Quartet violinist Aaron Boyd and violinist Amy Schwartz Moretti. Other highlights: Haydn’s Piano Trio No. 27 with Artistic Director cellist David Finckel, pianist Gilbert Kalish, and violinist Arnaud Sussmann; French hornist Radovan Vlatkovic in Schumann’s Adagio and Allegro in A-flat for Horn and Piano and Brahms’s Trio in E-flat for Horn, Violin, and Piano, with pianist Juho Pohjonen and violinist Paul Huang. The final two programs spotlight violinists Benjamin Beilman, Soovin Kim, Danbi Um, Bella Hristova, in string quartets by Borodin and Kreisler and string octets by Enescu and Shostakovich. A “French Luminaries” program features pianist Orion Weiss in his Music@Menlo debut performance of Franck’s A Major Sonata for Violin and Piano, as well as Fauré’s masterful Piano Quartet No. 1 with Artistic Director and pianist Wu Han, violist Paul Neubauer, cellist Clive Greensmith, and violinist Chad Hoopes.

LOCATION
Atherton, CA
Festival Website

DATES
July 14 - Aug 5, 2017

ARTISTIC DIRECTORS
David Finckel and Wu Han

GENRES
Classical • Chamber Music

TICKET PRICE RANGE
$20 to $80

TICKET PURCHASE INFORMATION
Ticket Purchase Link
650-331-0202

BOOKING CONTACT
Daphne Wong

SOCIAL LINKS

iSING! International Young Artists Festival
The 2017 iSING! Festival will present, in full orchestra, Puccini’s Gianni Schicchi and classic operatic scenes from the contemporary Chinese operatic literature – a brand new initiative for the program.

A one of a kind international opera experience, iSING! offers:

• The only international opera training program for young vocalists in Asia working with internationally renowned professionals from major opera houses worldwide including the Metropolitan Opera, Bavarian State Opera, Opera Australia and China’s National Centre for the Performing Arts
• Exposure to the growing modern Chinese opera scene and study of Mandarin as a lyric language
• Full-scholarship program, including room and board and offering financial aid for international air travel

The 2017 iSING! Festival will take place at the Suzhou Culture and Arts Centre in Suzhou, an alluring city with a 2000-year-old history and hailed as “Venice of the Orient”.

www.isingfestival.org
OJAI MUSIC FESTIVAL

FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS
The 71st season offers a weekend of stimulation and reflection curated by Music Director Vijay Iyer. His programs will connect genres and traditions to explore how composers, performers, and improvisers make music together today. Highlights include the world premiere of his Violin Concerto, written for and performed by Jennifer Koh; the American premiere of his Emergence; RADHE RADHE: Rites of Holi with music by Iyer and film by Prashant Bhargava; the west coast premiere of George Lewis’s opera, Afterword; and Yet Unheard (world premiere of chamber version) by Courtney Bryan. Iyer is joined by a community of artists including Muhal Richard Abrams, Brentano Quartet, Claire Chase, International Contemporary Ensemble (ICE), Zakir Hussain, George Lewis, Rudresh Mahanthappa, Roscoe Mitchell, Aruna Sairam, Steve Schick, Jen Shyu, Wadada Leo Smith, Tyshwan Sorey, and more.

LOCATION       Ojai, CA
Festival Website
DATES           June 8-11, 2017
ARTISTIC DIRECTOR Thomas W. Morris
GENRE           Classical
TICKET PRICE RANGE $15 to $150
TICKET PURCHASE INFORMATION
Ticket Purchase Link 805 646 2053
SOCIAL LINKS

OPERA IN THE OZARKS

FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS
Founded in 1950, Opera in the Ozarks has earned the reputation of being a prominent training program for emerging opera professionals; alumni have gone on to sing on the world’s major stages. Dozens of professional artists and musicians come from all across the country to present a month of performances. Audiences are exposed to a vivid repertoire of well-loved operas spotlighting the exceptional voices of tomorrow’s stars, accompanied by an orchestra of gifted musicians under the baton of Artistic Director Thomas Cockrell.

The 2017 season offers 22 performances of fully stage operas: The Marriage of Figaro, Carmen, and Carlisle Floyd’s Susannah. There will also be 11 performances of Jack and the Beanstalk, this year’s children’s opera, and an Opera Scenes program, a Taste of Opera event, and a chamber music program. Locations vary throughout the multi-county region.

LOCATION       Eureka Springs and Bentonville, AR
Festival Website
DATES           June 23 - July 21, 2017
ARTISTIC DIRECTOR Thomas Cockrell
GENRE           Classical
TICKET PRICE RANGE $25 to $30
TICKET PURCHASE INFORMATION
Ticket Purchase Link 479-253-8595
BOOKING CONTACT   Nancy Preis
SOCIAL LINKS  

Arkansas’ Arts + Nature Festival
Presented by Walton Arts Center

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2017 FESTIVALS GUIDE
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FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS
OTSL, approaching its 42nd season, has presented 25 world premieres and 26 American premieres. This year will see the American premiere of Philip Glass and Christopher Hampton’s The Trial, based on the Kafka novel; Ricky Ian Gordon and Michael Korie’s The Grapes of Wrath, in a new performing version; Mozart’s Titus (La clemenza di Tito); and Puccini’s Madame Butterfly.

The cast for Grapes includes baritone Tobias Greenhalgh (Tom Joad) and sopranos Deanna Breiwick (Rosasharn) and Katharine Goeldner (Marjorie). The Trial comes to OTSL from Music Theater Wales after a sold-out run at London’s Royal Opera House in a co-production with Royal Opera House Scottish Opera and Theater Magdeburg. Baritone Theo Hoffman is the embattled Joseph K., joined by soprano Susannah Biller and mezzo-soprano Maria Zifchak. Titus represents Stephen Lord’s final appearance as OTSL music director before becoming music director emeritus. It features tenor René Barbera (Tito), soprano Laura Wilde (Vitellia), and mezzo-soprano Cecelia Hall (Sesto). Soprano Rena Harms makes her OTSL debut in the title role of Madame Butterfly, joined by tenors Michael Brandenburg (Pinkerton) and Matthew Stump (Bonze), baritone Christopher Magiera (Sharpless), and mezzo-soprano Renée Rapier (Suzuki). The season also includes the third annual Center Stage concert, showcasing the talents of OTSL’s Gaddes Festival Artists and Gerdine Young Artists.

LOCATION
St. Louis, MO
DATES
May 20 - June 25, 2017
DIRECTORS
Stephen Lord, music director; James Robinson, artistic director; Timothy O’Leary, general director
GENRE
Classical
TICKET PRICE RANGE
$25 to $129
TICKET PURCHASE INFORMATION
Festival Website
SOCIAL LINKS

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August 7 - 14, 2016
www.lakefieldmusic.ca
OREGON BACH FESTIVAL

FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS
Performers include Anton Armstrong, Nicole Cabell, Charles Daniels, Matthew Hall, Monica Huggett, Lars Ulrik Mortensen, Nicholas Phan, Paul Jacobs, On Ensemble. Composers: Bach, Blow, Beethoven, Handel, Howells, Tavener, Telemann.

LOCATION Eugene, OR
DATES June 29 - July 15, 2017
ARTISTIC DIRECTOR Matthew Halls
GENRE Classical
TICKET PRICE RANGE $20 to $65
TICKET PURCHASE INFORMATION Ticket Purchase Link
BOOKING CONTACT Michael Anderson
SOCIAL LINKS

RAVINIA FESTIVAL

FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS
There will be 18 Chicago Symphony Orchestra concerts. Christoph Eschenbach, Ravinia’s music director from 1994 to 2003, will lead the CSO and pianist Lang Lang in Rachmaninoff’s Piano Concerto No. 1 on a program with Dvořák’s Carnival Overture and Symphony No. 8. Another highlight will be three consecutive evenings of Lord of the Rings, with the films shown on the Pavilion and lawn video screens, and the live score played by the CSO conducted by Ludwig Wicki and including the Chicago Children’s Choir, Chicago Chorale, and The Lakeside Singers. Among the other artists performing this year are conductors Susanna Málik and James Levine; pianists Yuja Wang, Simon Trpceski, and Nikolai Lugansky; violinist Joshua Bell; and soprano Nadine Sierra.

LOCATION Highland Park, IL
DATES June 10 - Sept 17, 2017
ARTISTIC DIRECTOR Welz Kauffman
GENRES Classical • Pop/Folk • Jazz • Ethnic
TICKET PRICE RANGE $0 to $120
TICKET PURCHASE INFORMATION Ticket Purchase Link
BOOKING CONTACT 847-266-5014
SOCIAL LINKS

ORCAS ISLAND CHAMBER MUSIC FESTIVAL

FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS
Opening concerts feature the Mendelssohn Concerto for Piano, Violin and Strings in D Minor with pianist Jon Kimura Parker, violinst William Preucil, and the Mendelssohn Octet. Other artists will include violinists Alexandra Preucil and Sandy Yamamoto, Artistic Director and violist Aloysia Friedmann, and cellists Desmond Hoebig and Anne Martindale Williams.

Other concerts include the Rachmaninoff Cello Sonata with Bion Tsang; the Schubert Trout Quintet with violinist Andrés Cárdenes and bassist Stephen Swanson; and George Crumb’s Voice of the Whale. Martin Chalifour will give a centennial performance of the Debussy Violin Sonata. Saxophonist Timothy McAllister joins us, as well as flutist Lorna McGhee and British clarinetist Michael Collins, playing the beautiful Schumann Fairy Tales.

Our Outdoor Concert on the Village Green will feature the original Paul Whiteman band version of Gershwin’s Rhapsody in Blue with soloist Jon Kimura Parker. The Miró Quartet, OICMF’s Quartet-in-Residence, returns performing the Brahms Clarinet Quartet with Michael Collins and the Schubert Cello Quintet with Desmond Hoebig. Our 20th-season finale concerts will highlight a world premiere for saw and string quartet by composer Jake Heggie, written for Anita Orne and the Miró Quartet; pianist Jeffrey Kahane, violist David Harding, violinists Chee-Yun and Benjamin Beilman also perform. Our final program, which will also feature the artwork of fibre artist Geoffrey Shilling, includes Schubert’s Fantasy, Bartók’s Contrasts, and Tchaikovsky’s Souvenir of Florence.

LOCATION Orcas Island, WA
DATES Aug 5-20, 2017
ARTISTIC DIRECTOR Aloysia Friedmann
GENRE Classical
TICKET PRICE RANGE $0 to $39
TICKET PURCHASE INFORMATION Ticket Purchase Link
360-376-6636
SOCIAL LINKS

OREGON BACH FESTIVAL

FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS
Performers include Anton Armstrong, Nicole Cabell, Charles Daniels, Matthew Hall, Monica Huggett, Lars Ulrik Mortensen, Nicholas Phan, Paul Jacobs, On Ensemble. Composers: Bach, Blow, Beethoven, Handel, Howells, Tavener, Telemann.

LOCATION Eugene, OR
DATES June 29 - July 15, 2017
ARTISTIC DIRECTOR Matthew Halls
GENRE Classical
TICKET PRICE RANGE $20 to $65
TICKET PURCHASE INFORMATION Ticket Purchase Link
541-682-5000
BOOKING CONTACT Michael Anderson
SOCIAL LINKS

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**Competition Dates: 2018**
- March 12–13 Piano Selection
- March 14–16 Round 1
- March 17–18 Round 2
- March 20–21 Round 3
- March 24 Final Round
- March 25 Result announcement
  Awarding ceremony

**Discipline:** Piano

**Competition Venue:**
- Sunport Hall-Takamatsu - Main Hall

**Application Period and Deadline:**
1st April 2017 - 20th Sep. 2017 (Postmark is acceptable)

**Age limit:**
- Individuals born between 1st Jan, 1983 and 1st Jan, 2003

**Judging Format:**
The Initial Selection Round will be judged using DVDs (in DVD-video format) of applicants’ performances.

**Prize:**
- 1st Prize: 3,000,000 JPY
- 2nd Prize: 1,000,000 JPY
- 3rd Prize: 500,000 JPY
- 4th Prize: 300,000 JPY
- 5th Prize: 200,000 JPY

- Additional prize for the 1st-prize winner
  - Opportunities to perform with Japanese and overseas orchestras
  - Recitals at halls in Japan and overseas

**Juries:**
- Chair of Jury
  - Shuku IWASAKI [Pianist, Japan]
- Vice chair of Jury
  - Susumu AOYAGI [Pianist, Japan]
- Jury
  - Vincenzo BALZANI [Pianist, Italy]
  - Dang Thai Son [Pianist, Vietnam]
  - Klaus HELLWIG [Pianist, Germany]
  - Shinichiro IKEBE [Composer, Japan]
  - Ikuyo KAMIYA [Pianist, Japan]
  - Daesin KIM [Pianist, Korea]
  - Piotr PALECZNY [Pianist, Poland]
  - Mikhail VOSKRESENSKY [Pianist, Russia]

*The names of the Jury are listed in alphabetical order without their titles.

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RIGAS RITMI FESTIVAL

FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS
Rigas Ritmi festival is one of the most attended and loved music festivals in Latvia. It features both rising and well-established artists on various stages throughout the area. This year's highlights include Ruthie Foster & Latvian Radio Bigband, Electro Deluxe, Yamandu Costa, Allan Harris, and many other significant jazz artists.

LOCATION
Riga, Latvia

DATES
June 28 - July 1, 2017

ARTISTIC DIRECTOR
Maris Briezkalns

GENRES
Pop/Folk • Jazz • Ethnic

TICKET PRICE RANGE
$5 to $75

TICKET PURCHASE INFORMATION
Ticket Purchase Link
+371 9000 2000

BOOKING CONTACT
Maris Briezkalns

Booking cycle date range: Year 2016 for Spring and Summer of Year 2017.

SOCIAL LINKS

ROCKPORT CHAMBER MUSIC FESTIVAL

FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS
The 36th Rockport Chamber Music Festival opens with violinist Joshua Bell and continues with such artists as pianists Garrick Ohlsson, Joyce Yang, Russell Sherman, Charlie Albright and Gilles Vonsattel, as well as the Escher, Brentano, Jupiter and Jazer quartets. This year's edition features a few of Boston's finest, including the Handel and Haydn Society, Boston Camerata, the Loreli Ensemble, and many more. Additional highlights include world premiere performances of works by Charles Shadle and David Alpher.

Artistic Director and pianist David Deveau collaborates with the Boston Symphony Chamber Players, violinist Andres Cardenes and cellist Anne Martindale Williams. This marks Deveau's final season as artistic director; the event closes with a concert by Deveau and his trio, along with incoming Artistic Director Barry Shiffman. The festival also offers education and outreach programs, including a masterclass, open rehearsal, lectures, and a family concert.

LOCATION
Rockport, MA

DATES
June 2 - July 9, 2017

ARTISTIC DIRECTOR
David Deveau

GENRE
Classical

TICKET PRICE RANGE
$19 to $79

TICKET PURCHASE INFORMATION
Ticket Purchase Link
978-546-7391

BOOKING CONTACT
Barry Shiffman

Booking cycle date range: Fall-December 2017 for Summer 2018

SOCIAL LINKS

ROME CHAMBER MUSIC FESTIVAL

FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS
The Rome Chamber Music Festival is one of the city's most anticipated cultural events. This year is its 14th season at the Palazzo Barberini, Rome's national gallery of art. Rehearsals begin June 2 and are open to the public. The 2017 program is "Baroque, Brahms, and Bluegrass" with special guest Edgar Meyer. Internationally renowned artists will coach and play alongside 20 emerging musicians selected to participate in the festival's educational initiative, the De Simone Young Artists Program.

LOCATION
Rome, Italy

DATES
June 4-8, 2017

ARTISTIC DIRECTOR
Robert McDuffie

GENRE
Classical

TICKET PRICE RANGE
$40 to $50

TICKET PURCHASE INFORMATION
Ticket Purchase Link
+39 348 0972150

SOCIAL LINKS

SANTA FE CHAMBER MUSIC FESTIVAL

**FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS**

**LOCATION**  
Santa Fe and Albuquerque, NM

**DATES**  
July 16 - Aug 21, 2017

**ARTISTIC DIRECTOR**  
Marc Neikrug

**GENRE**  
Classical

**TICKET PRICE RANGE**  
$10 to $86

**TICKET PURCHASE INFORMATION**  
Ticket Purchase Link  
505-982-1890

**BOOKING CONTACT**  
Steven Ovitsky

**BOOKING cycle date range:**  
Fall 2017 for Summer 2019

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SANTA FE DESERT CHORALE

**35TH ANNIVERSARY SUMMER FESTIVAL**

**FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS**
The all-professional Santa Fe Desert Chorale under Music Director Joshua Habermann embarks on its 35th annual summer festival season, with 14 performances of four programs, all accompanied with free pre-concert talks. The intimate Immaculate Heart of Mary Chapel adjoining the cloistered Carmelite Monastery hosts our vocal chamber program, “Music from a Secret Chapel” with nine of the Chorale’s early-music specialists in works by Byrd and Palestina’s Surge Illuminare Jerusalem. Popular 2016 composer-in-residence Jake Runestad’s The Hope of Loving is the title of a program that also features pianist Nathan Salazar and a string septet from the Santa Fe Symphony in John Corigliano’s Fern Hill, set to a poem by Dylan Thomas. Tarik O’Regan’s Triptych rounds out the program celebrating today’s leading composers. “Liberté: Music of Resistance and Revolution,” derives its name from the eighth movement of Poulenc’s exacting a cappella work Figure Humaine, composed during the Nazi occupation of France. Also included are music from the Terezin concentration camp and works from the Singing Revolution (1987-1991) that forced the expulsion of the Soviets from Estonia. Baltic composers Cyrillus Kreek, Veljo Tormis, and Arvo Pärt are represented as well. Honored by the African Diaspora Sacred Music Program as a Living Legend, Dr. Andre Thomas has curated ‘Justice,’ a program of gospel music and spirituals. Conducted by Dr. Thomas, the “Justice” program features a world premiere by pianist and composer Brandon Boyd, and an appearance by award-winning soprano NaGuanda Nobles as vocal soloist.

**LOCATION**  
Santa Fe and Albuquerque, NM

**DATES**  
July 19 - Aug 13, 2017

**ARTISTIC DIRECTOR**  
Joshua Habermann

**GENRE**  
Classical

**TICKET PRICE RANGE**  
$20 to $75

**TICKET PURCHASE INFORMATION**  
Ticket Purchase Link  
505-988-2282

**BOOKING CONTACT**  
Kyle Nielsen

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THE SANTA FE OPERA

FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS
Santa Fe Opera’s 2017 season offers 36 performances of five different operas, including a highly anticipated world premiere by composer Mason Bates and librettist Mark Campbell. The event opens with Die Fledermaus, Johann Strauss Jr’s humorous and poignant view of urban life. Donizetti’s Lucia di Lammermoor explores human psychology through the utter destruction of its tragic heroine. Rimsky-Korsakov’s The Golden Cockerel, meant to challenge the tyrants of the time through metaphor, shines with an enduring message. The (R)evolution of Steve Jobs finds a tangled journey to enlightenment while surveying the life of one of the greatest innovators of our time in a high tech production. And Handel’s Alcina proves that love always endures over evil.

LOCATION  Santa Fe, NM
DATES  June 30 - Aug 26, 2017
ARTISTIC DIRECTOR  Charles MacKay
GENRE  Classical
TICKET PRICE RANGE  $31 to $499
TICKET PURCHASE INFORMATION  Ticket Purchase Link
SOCIAL LINKS  

SARASOTA MUSIC FESTIVAL

FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS
Led by Music Director Jeffrey Kahane, the festival offers a magical combination of 40 acclaimed faculty artists performing intriguing repertoire with 60 students from around the country, ages 18-30. This year’s concerts include an evening of all six Bach Brandenburg Concertos, Gershwin’s Rhapsody in Blue led by Kahane from the piano, Paraphrase on a Theme of Brian Eno by Timos Andres, Mozart Symphony No. 40, and many other chamber and orchestra pieces. Featured this year will be the ensemble YMusic, a group that exemplifies the festival’s high performance level and mentoring. Master classes and rehearsals are all open to the public and the intimate environment of SMF infuses the faculty, students, and audience with inspiration, harmony, and great hope for the future of classical music.

LOCATION  Sarasota, FL
DATES  June 5-24, 2017
ARTISTIC DIRECTOR  Jeffrey Kahane
GENRES  Classical • Chamber Music
TICKET PRICE RANGE  $10 to $55
TICKET PURCHASE INFORMATION  Ticket Purchase Link
941-953-3434
BOOKING CONTACT  Roseanne McCabe
941-487-2730
SOCIAL LINKS  

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FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS
The 22nd Season of the festival features music for the season finale, with a program of music by Beethoven, including the complete Missa Solemnis. The festival also presents a series of concerts featuring the world premiere of a new work by composer Mason Bates. The festival also offers a variety of other concerts, including a performance of Mozart’s Magic Flute and a series of concerts featuring the works of 20th-century composers.

LOCATION  Montreal, QC
DATES  Summer 2017
ARTISTIC DIRECTOR  Charles MacKay
GENRE  Classical
TICKET PRICE RANGE  $50 to $100
TICKET PURCHASE INFORMATION  Ticket Purchase Link
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2017 Season June 23-July 21
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LOCATION  Eureka Springs, AR
DATES  June 23-July 21, 2017
ARTISTIC DIRECTOR  Jeffrey Kahane
GENRES  Classical • Opera
TICKET PRICE RANGE  $10 to $55
TICKET PURCHASE INFORMATION  Ticket Purchase Link
941-953-3434
SOCIAL LINKS  

VISIT OPERA.ORG FOR TICKETS & INFO
Hwy. 62 West / Eureka Springs, AR / (479) 253-8595
FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS

LOCATION
Saratoga Springs, NY

DATES
June 24 - Aug 28, 2017

GENRES
Classical • Pop/Folk • Jazz

TICKET PRICE RANGE
$15 to $105

TICKET PURCHASE INFORMATION
Ticket Purchase Link 518-584-9330

BOOKING CONTACT
Sharon Walsh 518-584-9330 ext. 109
Booking cycle date range: Fall 2017 for Summer 2018

SOCIAL LINKS

FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS
The world premiere for the Finland centenary year is The Castle in the Water by Aulis Sallinen, and his opera Kullervo is back on the program. The new productions are Mozart’s The Abduction from the Seraglio and Verdi’s Rigoletto. The Bolshoi Theater stages Tchaikovsky’s Iolanta and a concert version of Eugene Onegin. Teatro Real will bring the bel canto opera The Puritans by Bellini.

LOCATION
Savonlinna, Finland

DATES
July 6 - Aug 5, 2017

ARTISTIC DIRECTOR
Jorma Silvasti

GENRE
Classical

TICKET PRICE RANGE
$65 to $180

TICKET PURCHASE INFORMATION
Ticket Purchase Link +358 600 900 900 or +358 15 476 750

BOOKING CONTACT
Jorma Silvasti
Booking cycle date range: Summer 2017 for Summer 2018.

SOCIAL LINKS

FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS
The 2017 Seagle Music Colony season includes The Light in the Piazza by Adam Guettel; the piano-vocal premiere of Rosencrantz & Guildenstern Are Dead, by Herschel Garfein, based on the play by Tom Stoppard; The Magic Flute; and Lerner & Loewe’s My Fair Lady. All mainstage performances feature the 32 Seagle Music Colony young artists accompanied by two pianos.

LOCATION
Schroon Lake, NY

DATES
June 24 - Aug 20, 2017

DIRECTORS
Tony Kostecki, general director; Darren K. Woods, artistic director

GENRES
Classical • Opera • Musicals

TICKET PRICE RANGE
$35 to $47.50

TICKET PURCHASE INFORMATION
Ticket Purchase Link 518-332-7875

BOOKING CONTACT
Tony Kostecki
Booking cycle date range: Fall 2017 for Summer 2018.

SOCIAL LINKS

SARATOGA PERFORMING ARTS CENTER

SAVONLINNA OPERA FESTIVAL

SEAGLE MUSIC COLONY
## SPOLETO FESTIVAL USA

**FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS**
Highlights of the 41st season include the first Spoleto Festival USA production of *Eugene Onegin* directed by Chen Shi-Zheng, with soprano Natalia Pavlova and baritone Franco Pomponi; the U.S. premiere of Vivaldi’s opera *Farnace* directed by Garry Hynes and starring Anthony Roth Costanzo; and the U.S. premiere of Quartet composed by Luca Francesconi and conducted by Festival Resident Conductor and Director of Orchestral Activities John Kennedy. The Bank of America Chamber Music Series, hosted by Geoff Nuttall, features the St. Lawrence String Quartet and composer-in-residence Jaroslaw Kapuscinski. The Music In Time contemporary music series has four programs of works by Cage, Francesconi, Harrison, Hearne, Serrano, Tulve, and more. A Spoleto Celebration Concert with the Spoleto Festival USA Orchestra, Westminster Choir, and chamber musicians, conducted by Anne Manson, explores the Festival’s musical past. Other features: Mozart’s Great Mass conducted by Director of Choral Activities Joe Miller; Mahler’s Symphony No. 4 and Anna Thorvaldsdotter’s *Dreaming*. Theater productions: Beckett’s *Waiting for Godot* by Druid Theater Company, directed by Garry Hynes; *Murmurs* by Aurelia Thierrée and Victoria Thierrée Chaplin; *Angel* by Henry Naylor; and two works of modern puppetry—Gabriadze Theater’s *Ramona* and Blind Summit Theater’s *The Table*.

**LOCATION**  
Charleston, SC  
Festival Website

**DATES**  
May 26 - June 11, 2017

**DIRECTORS**  
Nigel Redden, general director; Joe Miller, director for choral activities; Geoff Nuttall, director for chamber music; John Kennedy, resident conductor & director of orchestral activities

**GENRES**  
Classical • Pop/Folk • Jazz • Opera • Dance • Theater

**TICKET PRICE RANGE**  
$20 to $200

**TICKET PURCHASE INFORMATION**  
Ticket Purchase Link  
843-579-3100

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## STRESA FESTIVAL

**FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS**
Highlights include Katia and Marielle Labèque in the adaptation of *The Rite of Spring* for two pianos and Gianandrea Noseda conducting the Ars Cantica Choir in Stravinsky’s *Le Rossignol*. Noseda will also lead a program with the London Symphony, while Yannick Nézet-Séguin conducts the Rotterdam Philharmonic Orchestra in a program featuring Renaud Capuçon (violin) and Gautier Capuçon (cello).

**LOCATION**  
Stresa - Lake Maggiore, Italy  
Festival Website

**DATES**  
July 19 - Sept 6, 2016

**ARTISTIC DIRECTOR**  
Gianandrea Noseda

**GENRES**  
Classical • Jazz

**TICKET PRICE RANGE**  
$11.12 to $66.77

**TICKET PURCHASE INFORMATION**  
Ticket Purchase Link  
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**BOOKING CONTACT**  
Artistic Secretary

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Festival Highlights

The 2017 summer festival marks Strings Music Festival’s 30th year. In celebration, the season will include exciting performances and top musicians under the direction of Music Director Michael Sachs. Members of the Chicago Symphony, the Cleveland Orchestra, Los Angeles Philharmonic, Metropolitan Opera Orchestra, National Symphony, Philadelphia Orchestra, and the San Francisco Opera Orchestra, along with many others, will share the stage during an eight-week season featuring 12 classical performances.

Soloists include pianist and Bravo! Vail Music Director Anne-Marie McDermott with the Strings Festival Orchestra, the to-be-announced Van Cliburn International Piano Competition Gold Medal winner, and the Cleveland Orchestra’s Principal Trumpet Michael Sachs both on the conductor podium and as soloist.

Highlights of the 2017 summer season include a Fourth of July celebration featuring principal brass and percussion players from top orchestras performing patriotic favorites including the 1812 Overture; John Williams movie music; Sousa Marches; a performance of Rhapsody in Blue in its original Jazz Band version with Wendy Chen on piano and Loras John Schissel from the Library of Congress conducting; and a 30th-anniversary celebration featuring musicians from the festival’s past and present, including violinist Chee-Yun and Houston Symphony Principal Clarinet Mark Nuccio.

In addition, festival will feature contemporary favorites such as Michael McDonald, Stephen Stills with Judy Collins, Mary Chapin Carpenter, and Ben Sollee, among others.

WHAT DISTINGUISHES THIS FESTIVAL?

Strings Music Festival presents music of the highest quality, performed by some of the world’s finest musicians, in the beautiful setting of Colorado’s stunning northwest. The Strings Music Pavilion, built with a bowstring-like truss ceiling, showcases a terrific acoustical environment and provides an intimate setting for concertgoers.

LOCATION
Steamboat Springs, CO
Festival Website

DATES
June 23 - Aug 20, 2017

ARTISTIC DIRECTOR
Michael Sachs

GENRES
Classical • Pop/Folk • Jazz

TICKET PRICE RANGE
$25 to $150

TICKET PURCHASE INFORMATION
Ticket Purchase Link
970-879-5056

BOOKING CONTACTS
Elissa Greene and Katie Carroll

Booking cycle date range: Fall 2017 for Summer 2018

SOCIAL LINKS
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TANGLEWOOD

FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS
The 2017 Tanglewood season offers visitors an exceptional lineup of performances, highlighted by 10 programs led by Boston Symphony Orchestra Music Director Andris Nelsons and major new initiatives designed to give patrons a wide spectrum of musical, entertainment, and educational activities. Nelsons will lead both the opening and closing BSO concerts, Mahler’s Symphony No. 2, Resurrection, and Beethoven Symphony No. 9; Mahler’s Symphony No. 4 with Kristine Opolais; an opera gala with Opolais and Dmitri Hvorostovsky in excerpts from Simon Boccanegra, La traviata, and Eugene Onegin; the world premiere of John Williams’s Markings with violinist Anne-Sophie Mutter; and the first-ever BSO and festival concert performance of Das Rheingold. Nelsons will also conduct the Boston Pops for the first time, sharing the podium for Film Night with John Williams. Highly acclaimed composer/conductor/pianist Thomas Adès will make his first Tanglewood appearances as BSO artistic partner, leading orchestral concerts, performing as pianist with the Emerson Quartet, and working closely with the Fellows of the Tanglewood Music Center.

LOCATION Lenox, MA
Festival Website
DATES June 18 - Sept 6, 2015
ARTISTIC DIRECTOR Andris Nelsons
GENRE Classical
TICKET PRICE RANGE $12 to $124
TICKET PURCHASE INFORMATION Ticket Purchase Link
888-266-1200
BOOKING CONTACT Tony Fogg
Booking cycle date range: Summer 2017 and earlier for Summer 2018
SOCIAL LINKS

IMMANUEL AND HELEN OLSHAN TEXAS MUSIC FESTIVAL

FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS
Olshan Texas Music Festival brings 100 of classical music’s rising stars from around the world to Houston each June to develop skills in orchestral, chamber music, and solo performance. Under the leadership of an exceptional performing artist/faculty, Fellows perform four major orchestral programs. Conductors: Andrés Franco, Daniel Hege, Franz Anton Krager, Brett Mitchell. Soloists: Cynthia Clayton, soprano; Lucie Robert, violin; winner, Mitchell Young Artist Competition. Additional summer institutes include: Le chiavi di bel canto, The Informed Flutist, and High School Jazz Institute. With over 20 public concerts and 30 public master classes, TMF is Houston’s largest presenter of classical music each June.

LOCATION Houston, TX
Festival Website
DATES June 6 - July 1, 2017
GENERAL/ARTISTIC DIRECTOR Alan Austin
GENRE Classical
TICKET PRICE RANGE $5 to $25
TICKET PURCHASE INFORMATION Ticket Purchase Link
713-743-3388
BOOKING CONTACT Alan Austin
Booking cycle date range: Fall 2017 for June 2018
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TIPPET RISE ART CENTER

**FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS**
Tippet Rise Art Center is a cultural destination dedicated to a uniquely resonant experience of classical music and contemporary sculpture under the big sky of Montana’s Beartooth Mountains. Programmed to create synergies among compositions and performers and the Art Center’s outstanding vistas and exceptional venues, the second season will feature the world premiere of a new work by Aaron Jay Kernis for Piano and Cello commissioned by Tippet Rise. Also planned, in repertoire from the early 18th century to today, are more than 30 concerts and events at sites throughout Tippet Rise’s 10,260 acres, including the 150-seat Olivier Music Barn, the open-air sculptural structure Domo, the open-sided Tiara acoustic shell, as well as at the site of other select large-scale sculptures installed throughout the property.

Performers include: pianists Michael Brown, Jenny Chen, Vicky Chow, Adam Golka, Jeffrey Kahane, Anne-Marie McDermott, Pedja Muzijevic, Natasha Paremski and Yevgeny Sudbin; violinists Paul Huang and Caroline Goulding; cellists Zuill Bailey, Alexander Chaushian, Matt Haimovitz, and Joshua Roman; Xavier Foley, double bass; the Ariel, Escher and St. Lawrence String Quartets; Jessica Sindell, flute; Alex Klein, oboe; Mark Nuccio, clarinet; William VerMeulen, horn; Frank Morelli, bassoon; Doug Perkins, percussion.

**LOCATION**  Fishtail, MT  
**Festival Website**

**DATES**  July 7 - Sept 16, 2017

**ARTISTIC DIRECTOR**  Charles Hamlen

**GENRE**  Classical

**TICKET PRICE**  $10

**TICKET PURCHASE INFORMATION**
Ticket Purchase Link  406-328-7820

**SOCIAL LINKS**  

VERBIER FESTIVAL

**FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS**
The Verbier Festival offers 17 days of music in an exceptional alpine setting, with intimate recitals, large scale concerts, unique musical encounters, and a wide range of free activities. The Festival also partners with Medici TV, which live streams most of the concerts. Charles Dutoit and the Festival Orchestra will perform R. Strauss's *Salome* with soprano Gun-Brit Barkmin in the title role; Esa-Pekka Salonen conducts Strauss’s *Elektra*, featuring Lise Lindstrom as Elektra, Anna Larsson as Klytemnestra, and Thomas Hampson as Orest. Antonio Pappano conducts Strauss’s *Ein Heldenleben*; and Gianandrea Noseda leads Mahler’s Symphony No. 9. Among the world’s leading pianists to appear: Yefim Bronfman, Barry Douglas, Vladimir Feltsman, Richard Goode, Evgeny Kissin, Nikolai Lugansky, Andras Schiff, Grigory Sokolov, Daniil Trifonov, and Yuja Wang. Young rising stars like Lucas Debargue and Daniil Trifonov will also appear. Chamber music plays a significant role with leading soloists like Vadim Repin, Joshua Bell, Leonidas Kavakos, and Janine Jansen. Debut artists include violinist Daniel Lozakovich (age 15), cellists Pablo Ferrandez (25) and Edgar Moreau (22), and pianist George Li (21).

**LOCATION**  Verbier, Switzerland  
**Festival Website**

**DATES**  July 21 - Aug 6, 2017

**ARTISTIC DIRECTOR**  Martin T:son Engstroem

**GENRES**  Classical • Pop/Folk • Jazz

**TICKET PRICE RANGE**  $35 to $200

**TICKET PURCHASE INFORMATION**
Ticket Purchase Link  +41 (0) 848 771 882 (from 1 pm to 6 pm, Monday to Friday)

**BOOKING CONTACT**  Manuel Lopez Baumann

**Booking cycle date range:**  Fall 2017 for Summer 2018

**SOCIAL LINKS**  

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**WOLF TRAP**

**FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS**
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**LOCATION**
Vienna, VA

**DATES**
May 25 - Sept 16, 2017

**GENRES**
Classical • Pop/Folk • Jazz • Ethnic

**TICKET PRICE RANGE**
$10 to $180

**TICKET PURCHASE INFORMATION**
Ticket Purchase Link
877-WOLFTRAP

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**VIRGINIA ARTS FESTIVAL**

**FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS**
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**LOCATION**
Norfolk, Virginia Beach, and Williamsburg, VA

**DATES**
March 26 - June 25, 2017

**ARTISTIC DIRECTOR**
Robert W. Cross

**GENRES**
Classical • Pop/Folk • Jazz • Ethnic

**TICKET PRICE RANGE**
$20 to $100

**TICKET PURCHASE INFORMATION**
Ticket Purchase Link
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**YOUNG EURO CLASSIC**

**FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS**
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**LOCATION**
Berlin, Germany

**DATES**
Aug 18 - Sept 3, 2017

**ARTISTIC DIRECTOR**
Dr. Dieter Rexroth

**GENRES**
Classical • Jazz • Ethnic

**TICKET PRICE RANGE**
$16 to $30

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