# PIERROT CHAMBER MUSIC FESTIVAL

## WITH THE PIERROT CONSORT

45th Anniversary Season – July 13 to July 24, 2026

## ADELPHI UNIVERSITY PERFORMING ARTS CENTER



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festival artists & participants concert series ♦ conducting program
concerto competition ♦ master classes



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#### Mission Statement - Pierrot Chamber Music Festival

The Pierrot Chamber Music Festival is dedicated to the study and performance of chamber music through an intensive two-week festival which provides a learning environment in which Festival Participants can study and perform new and standard chamber music repertoire in a series of master classes, educational residencies, chamber music classes and a series of informal and formal performances. The Pierrot Consort, along with the festival's faculty and guest artists, provide an opportunity and learning environment of excellence and broad artistic vision in which Festival Participants, whether it be the professional bound musician, the music student or the music educator, to excel further in their studies of chamber music and develop their existing knowledge, skills and talents in music and prepare them for future careers in music and the arts.

#### **History of the Pierrot Chamber Music Festival**

The Pierrot Chamber Music Festival (formerly known as the LIU Post Chamber Music Festival) was founded in 1982 by Susan Deaver, flutist, and Maureen Hynes, cellist, who are both performing members of The Pierrot Consort. This intensive summer festival, unique to Long Island, focuses on the study and performance of the standard chamber music repertoire. Participants are coached and mentored by members of The Pierrot Consort, Festival Faculty and Guest Artists. The schedule includes chamber ensembles, chamber orchestras, master classes, chamber music performance classes, educational residencies, musicianship classes, concerto and ensemble competitions and a conducting program. During the festival, the Pierrot Consort with guest artists presents a series of concerts. During the final week of the festival, a series of chamber and orchestral concerts are presented by Festival Participants. Festival participants are selected through video auditions for openings in winds, brass, strings, piano and voice. In addition, a limited number of conductors are chosen for the Festival's Conducting Program. From the very beginning, the festival has attracted young musicians from some of the country's finest conservatories, such as The Juilliard School, Manhattan School of Music, Mannes, Curtis, Eastman School of Music, Peabody, the New England Conservatory, and music schools and conservatories from abroad. In addition to students from Long Island and New York State colleges and universities, The Pierrot Chamber Music Festival is a member of Chamber Music America.

Diversity Statement - The Pierrot Chamber Music Festival holds the tenants of diversity, equity, and inclusion at the heart of its mission: to share the practice of chamber music with current and future generations of musicians. We believe that no limits apply to those who benefit from human connections through the art of music making. We are committed to maintaining an environment where all musicians feel respected and comfortable to participate in our community. We recognize that classical music spaces have historically not included others based on their race, gender identity, sexual orientation and identity, socio-economic division, religion, and disability, and as a result, we support full efforts of inclusion. We encourage the highest standards for artistic quality and creative expression, while instituting and supporting policies and practices that foster and promote knowledge, respect, and understanding of all cultures, historical and global. Furthermore, we seek to acknowledge the \*Native American culture, honoring the land upon which we live. We seek to spread these principles throughout our students, staff, faculty, guest artists, audiences, and programming.

\*Native American Land Acknowledgment on Long Island: <a href="https://www.cooperationli.org/documents/land-acknowledgement">https://www.cooperationli.org/documents/land-acknowledgement</a>

#### **FESTIVAL ADMINISTRATION 2026**

Susan Deaver, Festival Director
Douglas Aliano, Assistant Director
Sarah Kadtke, Administrative Assistant to the Directors
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#### **DEPARTMENT OF MUSIC at ADELPHI UNIVERSITY**

Heather Waters, PhD - Chair – Department of Music Susan DelGiorno, Program and Recruitment coordinator – Department of Music Blyth Daylong, Executive Director - Performing Arts Center

The Department of Music at Adelphi University proudly welcomes back the Pierrot Chamber Music Festival to its new home at Adelphi's world-class Performing Arts Center. Participants in the Festival will enjoy rehearsing and performing in a variety of spaces throughout the Performing Arts Center including our beautiful Concert Hall.

#### For additional information, contact the Pierrot Chamber Music Festival:

Website: www.pierrotchambermusicfestival.com Email: pierrotchambermusicfestival@gmail.com

#### **COVID-19 Guidelines at Adelphi University**

For updated information please use this link: https://www.adelphi.edu/coronavirus

#### COVID POLICIES FOR THE PIERROT CHAMBER MUSIC FESTIVAL

COVID POLICY at the Pierrot Chamber Music Festival - Our primary concern and goal is for the safety and health of everyone involved at the Pierrot Chamber Music Festival. Our COVID policies are subject to revision as we observe CDC recommendations along with local and state guidance. We are also subject to COVID policies as set by Adelphi University and the Adelphi University Performing Arts Center. Revisions and updates will be made, if needed, as we approach the beginning of the Pierrot Chamber Music Festival. Updates and/or revisions will be emailed to Festival Faculty, Staff, Guest Artists and Participants. COVID policies may be re-instated should there be a change in policies by Adelphi University or state/local government.

#### **IMPORTANT!**

If you test positive for COVID or have symptoms or do not feel well, do NOT attend the Festival. Send an email to pierrotchambermusicfestival@gmail.com.

#### COVID POLICIES NOT REQUIRED AT THIS POINT

All participants, faculty, guest artists and staff at the Pierrot Chamber Music Festival are no longer required to be vaccinated, but it is highly recommended. At this time the Pierrot Chamber Music Festival is not requiring Festival Faculty, Staff, Participants and guests to provide a COVID Vaccination Card, PCR test results or Medical exemptions. MASKS are optional at this point.

ATTENDANCE POLICY - Participants required to email Festival Office 24-hour notice or more.

#### ATTENDANCE POLICY FOR PARTICIPANTS' CONCERTS

Festival Participants are expected to attend all scheduled classes, chamber music coachings, rehearsals, performance master classes and educational residencies during the two-week Festival. In addition, Festival Participants are expected and required to attend the performances they are performing in, which includes the concerts on the evenings of Wednesday, July 22, Thursday, July 23 and on the afternoon and evening of Friday, July 23. Should you have to miss any of your performances you will be required to pay a fee of \$150 per concert so that a substitute performer can be hired to take your place.

## REFUND POLICIES FOR THE PIERROT CHAMBER MUSIC FESTIVAL TO REQUEST A REFUND

To request a refund, a written document with full explanation, along with any medical documentation, must be emailed to the Festival Directors: <a href="mailto:pierrotchambermusicfestival@gmail.com">pierrotchambermusicfestival@gmail.com</a>

#### **REFUND GUIDELINES** (Please note: Application Fee of \$50 is non-refundable)

Program fees are refunded if there is an illness and/or injury resulting in a withdraw from the Festival OR if the Pierrot Chamber Music Festival has to move to an online format or has to be cancelled.

Up to June 16, 2026 - Full refund with the exception of a \$200 Registration/Administration Fee which will be retained by the Festival

Up to June 23, 2026 – 50% refund of your Program Fee with the exception of a \$200 Registration/Administration Fee which will be retained by the Festival

After June 23, 2026 and up to the beginning of the Festival on July 13 - 25% of your Program Fee will be considered with exception of a \$200 Registration/Administration Fee which will be retained by the Pierrot Chamber Music Festival.

Once the Festival begins on July 13 - Administration fee of \$200 will be retained and partial refund of Program Fees will be considered only for a documented medical leave due to COVID, illness or injury.

## **Descriptions of Festival Programs**

As part of the Pierrot Chamber Music Festival, all participants are carefully placed in ensembles that study and perform standard and new chamber music repertoire. All chamber ensembles are coached by The Pierrot Consort, Festival Faculty and Special Guest Artists. The majority of the chamber music ensembles meet for coaching from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. each afternoon (Monday through Friday). Chamber ensembles perform at Performance Master Classes and perform on the Festival Concert Series.

#### Artistry Program for young professionals and preformed chamber ensembles

The festival's emphasis on young professionals and preformed chamber ensembles is to present an opportunity to showcase existing talent and to further their careers. There are opportunities during the festival for performance at pre-concert recitals and/or in the Festival's Mini-Performances. Artistry Program participants also will have the opportunity to interact with The Pierrot Consort, Festival Artists, and special guest artists. Past guest artists have included Lawrence Dutton, violist of the Emerson String Quartet; Timothy Eddy, cellist of the Orion String Quartet; and members of the Imani Winds. There have also been opportunities to participate in educational residencies with members of The Chamber Music Society of Lincoln Center and members of the Orpheus Chamber Orchestra. Fellowships are available.

#### Performance Program for college & conservatory musicians

The festival's focus on college and conservatory-level students is to further develop their chamber music and performance experience. Advanced chamber music repertoire in past seasons has included challenging works such as Brahms and Schumann piano quartets; Shostakovich, Ravel and Bartok string quartets; Nielsen and Barber woodwind quintets; Stravinsky Octet; and the Poulenc Sextet for piano and winds. Chamber ensembles meet daily for coaching with individual Festival Faculty and members of The Pierrot Consort. Each participant's schedule also includes morning chamber orchestra rehearsals and master classes. Fellowships are available.

#### **Precollege Program for high school students**

The musically advanced high school student's schedule includes chamber music, chamber orchestra, musicianship classes and performance master classes. Students will be placed in three to four different chamber ensembles that meet for coaching with The Pierrot Consort and Festival faculty members. Students perform on the Festival's concert series. NYSSMA V or VI or comparable level and entering either 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> or 12<sup>th</sup> grade in Fall 2026.

### Young Musicians Program for 7th & 8th grade students

This program is designed for younger students who are interested in gaining experience in chamber music. Students participate in chamber orchestra, various chamber ensembles, masterclasses and musicianship classes throughout the week, and perform on the Festival Concert Series. NYSSMA V or comparable level and entering 7th or 8th grade in Fall 2026.

### **Outstanding Chamber Ensemble Awards**

At the conclusion of the Pierrot Festival, recognition will be given to the most outstanding chamber ensembles and chamber players at the Pierrot Chamber Music Festival. This special recognition will be announced at the final concert of the Pierrot Chamber Music Festival on Friday, July 23.



#### Classes Offered at the Festival

#### **Musicianship Classes**

Two levels of Musicianship Classes are held during the Pierrot Festival. These classes cover music theory and music history and incorporate the chamber music that students are currently rehearsing and preparing for performance at the festival.

#### **Performance Master Classes with The Pierrot Consort**

Performance Master Classes taught by members of The Pierrot Consort and Festival Faculty provide an opportunity for chamber ensembles to focus on rehearsal techniques, technical and interpretative aspects of playing chamber music together.

#### **Chamber Music Performance Classes**

Attended by all Festival participants, these classes give ensembles the opportunity to perform informally for each other and to prepare for the concerts by concentrating on stage presence and decorum.

#### **Master Classes with Special Guest Artists**

Each summer, guest artists present special master classes that focus on topics of interest to chamber musicians. Past special guest artists have included Lawrence Dutton, violist with the Emerson String Quartet, David Alan Miller, international known conductor and Music Director/Conductor of the Albany Symphony, and members of the Imani Winds. Past guest artists have included members of the Imani Winds; Erick Friedman, Elissa Lee Koljonen, Daniel Phillips, Todd Phillips, violinists and Timothy Eddy, cellist with the Orion String Quartet; Tara O'Connor, flutist with Chamber Music Society of Lincoln Center, Jeff Scott, hornist with Imani Winds, Erik Ralske, hornist with the Metropolitan Opera Orchestra; Richard King, principal horn of the Cleveland Symphony and Charles Barker, principal conductor of the American Ballet Theatre. Special guest artists for 2026 TBA.

#### **Educational Residencies at the Festival**

Past Educational Residences at the Festival have included members of The Chamber Music Society of Lincoln Center, members of the Orpheus Chamber Orchestra, the Imani Winds, and guest conductor David Alan Miller. Educational residencies for the 2022 Festival were the Metropolitan Horn Authority and The Cramer Quartet. Educational residencies for 2023 and 2024 included the Pelia String Quartet and the NU Quintet. The 2025 Educational Residencies included Terra String Quartet and Voyager Reed Quintet.

#### **Chamber Orchestras & Ensembles**

#### Festival Chamber Orchestra (FCO) – Susan Deaver, conductor

Rehearsals are held on Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings. The final concert is scheduled for the evening of Friday, July 23 at 7:30 p.m. in the Concert Hall at Adelphi University's Performing Arts Center. When the Festival Concerto Competition is held, the winners are featured with the FCO.

#### Precollege Chamber Orchestra (PCO) – Douglas Aliano, conductor

Many well-known composers have written for chamber orchestra and provided a rich repertoire of pieces. Composers such as C.P.E. Bach, J.S. Bach, Bartok, Dvorak, Elgar, Grieg, Handel, Haydn, Mozart, Tchaikovsky, Telemann, Vaughan Williams, Warlock and others have contributed repertoire. The Precollege Chamber Orchestra includes strings, winds and brass. The Precollege Chamber Orchestra is included on concerts on Friday, July 23 at both 4 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

Conductors' Chamber Orchestra, Baroque Chamber Orchestra & Opera Chamber Orchestra If there are enough participants interested in conducting, a Conductors' Chamber Ensemble or Chamber Orchestra will be organized. Selected conductors from the Conducting Program will conduct this ensemble and be coached by Susan Deaver. Past repertoire has included works by J.S. Bach, Vivaldi, Mozart, Bartok and Copland, as well as other composers, and has on occasion included concerto movements and arias. Often there is an interest in Baroque music and in opera arias with vocalists.

The following lists are of ensembles that, based on enrollment, are offered at the Pierrot Chamber Music Festival in addition to the variety of mixed chamber music ensembles.

#### **Woodwind Ensemble**

The Woodwind Ensemble includes flutes, oboes, clarinets, bassoons and horns. Repertoire has included serenades of Mozart, Beethoven and Dvorak along with contemporary composers and mixed combinations of winds and brass in combinations of quintets to octets.

#### **Brass Ensemble**

The Brass Ensemble is a chamber music ensemble that features music written specifically for brass instruments stemming from the Renaissance to Twentieth Century. Brass students are offered the opportunity to experience playing repertoire for large brass ensemble as well as repertoire for smaller brass ensembles, such as the brass quintet. Smaller ensembles such as quartets and trios are also explored along with solo brass repertoire with or without an accompanist.

#### Cello Ensemble

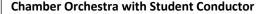
The Cello Ensemble gives the student an opportunity to explore works for multiple cellos. Renaissance dances, tangos, serenades and transcriptions from 3 to 8 parts by composers such as Goltermann, Schubert, Tchaikovsky, Villa-Lobos and others are rehearsed and prepared for performance.

#### **Flutes Plus!**

Flute Plus! provides a broad performance experience of repertoire written for flute ensemble – from duos to larger flute ensemble pieces, utilizing piccolo and alto flute, and pieces for multiple flutes. The selected repertoire is sometimes expanded to include piano, harp, strings, vocalists and a mixture of instruments. Music from the Baroque Period to the 20th Century is included to give the ensemble members an overview of available flute ensemble music.

**PLEASE NOTE:** All photos, audio and video recordings, taken of students at the Pierrot Chamber Music Festival with the approval of the Festival Directors, and used for the exclusive purpose of furthering the Festival's promotional and educational functions, shall be deemed property of the Pierrot Chamber Music Festival with the rights for use as described.







"The Pierrot Festival was an amazing experience!"

"The Pierrot Chamber Music Festival was life-changing for me. I never had an opportunity to meet, see, and be inspired by so many wonderful faculty and peers like that before. After experiencing the festival, I knew that being a part of the music world is something I wanted to do for the rest of my life."

## OVERVIEW SCHEDULE – PIERROT CHAMBER MUSIC FESTIVAL 2026

PIERROT FESTIVAL 2026	Monday July 13	Tuesday July 14	Wednesday July 15	Thursday July 16	Friday July 17	Saturday & Sunday Free
Week I 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.	Check-in at 9 a.m. PAC Lobby  Orientation 9:30 to 9:55 a.m. Concert Hall  Festival Chamber Orchestra Concert Hall  Precollege Chamber Orchestra - PAC 215 & 11:30 to 12:30 chamber ensembles	Performance Master Classes for all Participants (chamber ensembles from Set I & II)  Concert Hall Recital Hall PAC 216 & PAC 215  Coached by members of The Pierrot Consort & Festival Faculty	Festival T-Shirt Day  Festival Chamber Orchestra & Precollege Chamber Orchestra in Concert Hall  (11:30 to 12:30 chamber ensemble meet as scheduled)  The Pierrot Consort Rehearsal 10 to 1 p.m. Recital Hall	Performance Master Classes for all Participants (chamber ensembles from Set III & IV)  Concert Hall PAC 215 & PAC 216 & PAC 304 Coached by members of The Festival Faculty  The Pierrot Consort Rehearsal 10 to 1 p.m. Recital Hall	Festival Chamber Orchestra Concert Hall  Precollege Chamber Orchestra – PAC 215 & 11:30 to 12:30 chamber ensembles  The Pierrot Consort Rehearsal 10 to 1 p.m. Recital Hall	
LUNCH 12:30 to 1:30 p.m.						
1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.	Chamber Ensembles Set I & II Set I – 1:30 to 2:50 Set II - 3:10 to 4:30	Chamber Ensembles Set III & IV Set III - 1:30 to 2:50 Set IV - 3:10 to 4:30	Chamber Ensembles Set I & II Set I - 1:30 to 2:50 Set II - 3:10 to 4:30	Chamber Ensembles Set III & IV Set III - 1:30 to 2:50 Set IV - 3:10 to 4:30	Performance Master Classes for all Participants Recital Hall PAC 215 & PAC 216 PAC 064 Coached by members of The Pierrot Consort & Festival Faculty	
DINNER			The Pierrot Consort & Festival Faculty Rehearsal 5 to 7:30 p.m. PAC 215	The Pierrot Consort & Festival Faculty Rehearsal 5 to 7:30 p.m. PAC 215	The Pierrot Consort & Festival Faculty Sound Check 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. in Concert Hall	
EVENING CONCERTS		7:30 p.m. CONCERT Festival Alumni Concert Hall			7:30 p.m. CONCERT The Pierrot Consort & Guest Artists Concert Hall	

45th Anniversary Season – Pierrot Chamber Music Festival Schedule is subject to revision 9/29/2025

PIERROT FESTIVAL 2026	Monday July 20	Tuesday July 21	Wednesday July 22	Thursday July 23	Friday July 24
Week II 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.	Orchestral Sectional Rehearsals with Festival Faculty Festival Chamber Orchestra Concert Hall Precollege Chamber Orchestra Recital Hall & 11:30 to 12:30 chamber ensembles	Educational Residency I All Participants 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.	Festival Chamber Orchestra Concert Hall Precollege Chamber Orchestra Recital Hall & 11:30 to 12:30 chamber ensembles	Educational Residency II All Participants 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.	10 to 12:30 p.m. Festival Chamber Orchestr Dress Rehearsal Precollege Chamber Orchestra Recital Hall & 11:30 to 12:30 chamber ensembles
LUNCH 12:30 to 1:30 p.m.					
1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.	Chamber Ensembles Set I & II Set I – 1:30 to 2:50 Set II – 3:10 to 4:30	Chamber Ensembles Set III & IV Set III – 1:30 to 2:50 Set IV - 3:10 to 4:30	Chamber Ensembles Set I & II Set I – 1:30 to 2:50 Sound Checks Set II - 3:10 to 4:30	Chamber Ensembles Set III & IV Set III - 1:30 to 2:50 Sound Checks Set IV - 3:10 to 4:30	1:30 to 3:15 p.m. Dress Rehearsal for 4 p.m. Concert  4 p.m. CONCERT Morning Ensembles & Precollege Chamber Orchestra
DINNER					
EVENING CONCERTS			7:30 p.m. CONCERT Participants' Evening of Chamber Ensembles from MW Set I & II	7:30 p.m. CONCERT Participants' Evening of Chamber Ensembles from TTH Set III & IV	6:30 p.m. Sound Check All Participants 7:30 p.m. CONCERT Festival Chamber Orchestr & All Festival Participants



Chamber Orchestra with faculty member Maureen Hynes





Performances by Festival Participants in the Concert Hall & Olmsted Theatre



The Pierrot Consort & Festival Faculty in performance

## Festival Concert Series 2026 at Adelphi University Performing Arts Center



THE PIERROT CONSORT



ADELPHI PERFORMING ARTS CENTER

#### FESTIVAL ALUMNI CONCERT

Performing Artists to be announced Tuesday, July 14 - Concert Hall 7:30 p.m.

#### THE PIERROT CONSORT & GUEST ARTISTS

Friday, July 17 – Concert Hall 7:30 p.m.

## EVENINGS OF CHAMBER MUSIC PERFORMED BY SELECTED FESTIVAL PARTICIPANTS' CHAMBER ENSEMBLES

Wednesday, July 22 – Concert Hall & Olmsted Theatre 7:30 p.m. Thursday, July 23 – Concert Hall & Olmsted Theatre 7:30 p.m. (Length of these two concerts will be held to approximately two hours.)

#### AFTERNOON OF CHAMBER MUSIC PERFORMED BY SELECTED ENSEMBLES

Including the Precollege Chamber Orchestra – Douglas Aliano, conductor Friday, July 24 – Concert Hall 4 p.m.

#### FESTIVAL CHAMBER ORCHESTRA & ALL PARTICIPANTS

Susan Deaver & Douglas Aliano, conductors Friday, July 24 – Concert Hall 7:30 p.m. All participants will be included in the final concert.



The Pierrot Consort:

"A cohesive ensemble with real affinity for the music... consistently interesting..." - Newsday

Concert Schedule and Performers subject to change

## **General Information**

The 2026 Pierrot Chamber Music Festival will be held at the Adelphi University Performing Arts Center which is home to five state-of-the-art venues: The Concert Hall, the Recital Hall, the Olmsted Theatre, the dance theatre and a black box theatre.





**Concert Hall** 

**Recital Hall** 

#### Housing for College age students at Adelphi University

Festival Participants (18 years of age and older) may have the option to live on campus at Adelphi University. Please contact the Festival Office via email for further information.

#### **Transportation**

Participants are responsible for their own transportation to and from the Festival on a daily basis. If possible, the Festival Office will offer assistance in helping participants to set up car pools. The chamber ensembles and chamber orchestras are scheduled in the Adelphi University Performing Arts Center in classrooms, rehearsal rooms and concert venues and are within a short walking distance of each other. There is a LIRR station at Nassau Blvd near the Adelphi University campus as well.

### Lunch at the Festival – 12:30 to 1:30 p.m.

Festival Participants need to bring their own lunches in a cool pack.

#### **Student and Faculty ID**

Each Festival Participant and Faculty member will be issued a Festival ID card at orientation. Each individual is required to carry this ID with them at all times during the Festival. In addition to their name, the ID also lists the name and phone number of the individual to contact in case of an emergency. If a participant or faculty member has a special medical condition, the directors need to be informed before the Festival begins.

#### **Distribution of Orchestral and Chamber Music**

Every effort is made to have each participant's chamber music and orchestral music available one to two weeks prior to the Festival. Participants and preformed ensembles may request specific chamber repertoire.

#### Orientation

Orientation for all Festival participants and faculty will be held on the morning of the first day of the Festival - Monday, July 13 at 9:30 a.m.

Contacting the Festival Office - Email us at: pierrotchambermusicfestival@gmail.com

## **Program Fees for the Pierrot Chamber Music Festival**

Festival Schedule includes chamber music (two to four chamber ensembles), chamber orchestras, individual master classes, performance master classes, special educational residencies with guest artists, and the Festival Concert Series. The schedule runs Monday through Friday from 10 to 4:30 p.m. Please refer to the Overview Schedule for scheduling details.

Program Fee is \$1,500 (application deadline of April 1, 2026- application fee of \$50)

Early Acceptance application deadline March 1, 2026 - Program Fee \$1,250 & application fee of \$40

#### Extended application deadlines May 1 and June 1, 2026

Late applications will be accepted based on available openings

#### **PAYMENTS to the Pierrot Chamber Music Festival**

Payable via Zelle by using the Festival's email address: <u>pierrotchambermusicfestival@gmail.com</u> OR

Send Checks to: Pierrot Chamber Music Festival 3111 Broadway 4H New York, NY 10027

### **Festival Awards**

Numerous awards are offered to festival participants. Contributions and grants to the Festival may create additional awards

Fellowships awarded to a select number of college/conservatory students

The Binkowski Award Fund for outstanding woodwinds

**Marina Marquez Boquiren Award**, established in 2024, awarded to outstanding young artists from Adelphi University

**The Rex Chao Memorial Prize**, established in 1996, awarded to a Festival Participant for outstanding dedication to chamber music

Lillian Fuchs Memorial Award for an outstanding violist

The Frank B. Hynes Award given to an outstanding cellist for his/her contributions to the Festival Nakamura Award in honor of Dr. Susan Deaver – awarded to an outstanding flutist at the Festival Outstanding Chamber Ensemble Awards to recognize exceptional ensembles at the conclusion of the Festival Nassau Music Educators Scholarship Fund - awards given to precollege age students who attend the Festival

## **Audition Information**

All Applicants need to submit an online application and audition video.

Send completed application with link to "unlisted" YouTube audition video with application fee

#### **Instrumentalist, Vocalist or Preformed Ensemble Auditions**

For the audition, each instrumentalist, vocalist or preformed ensemble should include contrasting excerpts from a solo or concerto, or excerpts from a chamber music performance. Please limit audition videos to 6 to 8 minutes. It is possible to audition on more than one instrument, in which case chamber music assignments may be divided between the participant's two instruments. Sight-reading may be included in subsequent informal online interviews. An application with the nonrefundable application fee must be completed and received by the Festival Office before your audition video will be considered.

#### Submitting your audition video via "unlisted" YouTube

Upload your audition video (limit to 6 to 8 minutes) to an "unlisted" YouTube and send the link to your audition video to: pierrotchambermusicfestival@gmail.com

Please note: Festival video auditions are solely for internal review by Festival directors to assist in appropriate placement within the Festival's chamber ensembles and chamber orchestras.

## Festival Artists at the Pierrot Chamber Music Festival

#### THE PIERROT CONSORT

Faculty Ensemble at the Pierrot Chamber Music Festival

Formed in 1981, The Pierrot Consort was originally modeled after the instrumentation of Schoenberg's Pierrot Lunaire and has always been dedicated to performing new music as well as the standard repertoire. In July 2021 The Pierrot Consort celebrated its 40th season as the faculty ensemble-inresidence at Pierrot Chamber Music Festival which was founded by Pierrot Consort members, flutist Susan Deaver and cellist Maureen Hynes. In addition to its regular concert series at Long Island University, The Pierrot Consort has performed at Merkin Concert Hall, Weill Recital Hall, the Kennedy Center, the Bartok Society at Saranac Lake, the Bruce Museum in Greenwich, Connecticut, the Stockbridge Chamber Concerts in Great Barrington, Massachusetts, the St. Paul Chapel Series at Columbia University and for the Islip Arts Council. In November 2000 the ensemble was sponsored by Tilles Center to perform the original ballet version of Aaron Copland's "Appalachian Spring" on a series of concerts focusing on the music of Copland. In June 2002, the Pierrot Consort presented a concert titled "Making Connections: Influences of the Sea in Song, Chamber and Orchestral Music" for Long Island music and art administrators and educators at a BOCES conference. In addition, The Pierrot Consort has collaborated with Tilles Center's Arts Education Program performing for the Summer Seminar for teachers. The artist members of the ensemble are actively involved in the musical life of New York City and have a commitment to the educational life of Long Island. The members of The Pierrot Consort are Susan Deaver, flute; Dale Stuckenbruck, violin; Veronica Salas, viola; Maureen Hynes, cello and Heawon Kim, piano. The Pierrot Consort is a member of Chamber Music America and Fractured Atlas. The Pierrot Chamber Music Festival will celebrate the 45th Anniversary Season from July 13 through July 24, 2026 at Adelphi University. Updated information about the Pierrot Chamber Music Festival can be found at the Festival's Website at: www.pierrotchambermusicfestival.com

#### Susan Deaver – Festival Co-Founder, Festival Director & flute/conductor

Susan Deaver, co-founder of the Pierrot Chamber Music Festival, is flutist of The Pierrot Consort and conductor of the Festival Chamber Orchestra. As a flutist and avid chamber musician, she has been praised by critics for her "superb playing" and "atmospheric virtuosity" as the principal flutist of the Washington Chamber Symphony at the Kennedy Center. She has performed with Long Island Philharmonic, Brooklyn Philharmonic, Queens Symphony Orchestra, Philharmonia Virtuosi and on Broadway in "Phantom of the Opera" and has recorded for New World records, CRI, Arabesque Recordings and North/South Consonance. From 1990 to 2016 she was the music director and conductor of North Shore Symphony Orchestra and is currently the conductor of the University Orchestra at Stony Brook University, where she has also conducted the Stony Brook Symphony Orchestra (SBSO) in their Composers Reading/Recording Sessions. Among Susan Deaver's conducting credits are the Washington Chamber Symphony at the Kennedy Center, Thüringen Philharmonie in Gotha, Germany, the Island Chamber Symphony, the Bronx Opera Chamber Orchestra, the Seoul Symphony of New York at Lincoln Center, contemporary music at both Manhattan School of Music and Brooklyn Conservatory of Music. She has guest conducted in Scotland, England, Spain and Korea and at regional festivals including Nassau All County Festival, All-North New Jersey High School Symphonic Orchestra, 2019 LISFA Festivals. In addition, she has guest conducted at Manhattan School of Music Precollege as well as substitute teaching conducting classes in both the Precollege and college divisions of MSM. In 2018 she was a conducting mentor at the International Women's Conducting Institute. Newsday featured her work as Conducting Instructor for actor Freddie Highmore in Warner Brothers' movie "August Rush." Dr. Deaver is on the music faculty at LIU Post, Stony Brook University and Manhattan School of Music Precollege. BM, MM and DMA from Manhattan School of Music.

#### Dale Stuckenbruck – violin & Assistant Director Emeritus

Grammy-nominated artist Dale Stuckenbruck is immersed in the diverse musical life in New York as a soloist, concertmaster, chamber musician and teacher. His mentor was the great violinist Erick Friedman, with whom he has appeared as soloist with orchestra, in recording and in chamber music. He has performed as violin/saw soloist with the New York Philharmonic, New Century Chamber Orchestra, Brooklyn Philharmonic, Philharmonia Virtuosi, New York Virtuosi, New York String Ensemble,

Tchaikovsky Chamber, Orchestra, Taipei City Symphony Orchestra, Music at St. Ignatius, Queens Symphony, Masterworks, and as a mandolinist with the Charleston Symphony. He has been featured in Strings Magazine, Wuolgang Umak (Korea), Newsday, Sarasate (Japan) and the New York Times. As a leading international artist of the musical saw he has received international acclaim for his recording of "Sawing to New Heights", music by Steve Margoshes, and "Ancient Voices of Children"by George Crumb on Bridge Records, and his performance(s) of the "Divination by Mirrors" by Michael Levine with the New Century Chamber Orchestra & New York Virtuosi, on the "Tonight Show" with KORN, the Lincoln Center Chamber Music Society, and as a soloist with Leonid Kavakos and the New York Philharmonic. As a mandolinist he has appeared at the Met Opera, NYC Opera, ABT, and with Paula Robison at the Met Museum. His diverse interests include being a multi-instrumentalist of historical violins, the sitar, the mandolin, the erhu, the danbau, the theremin, and the vegetables. He is the founder of the Long Island Vegetable Orchestra, appearing on "Conan"as a guest. Since 1975 he has toured with his wife, Heawon Kim, pianist, in recitals over four continents. He has participated on the faculties of LIU-Post, the Pierrot Chamber Music Festival, LIHSA, the Oyster Bay Music Festival. D.M.A. from Manhattan School of Music, 1984. For reviews and media visit: https://violin-saw.com/

#### Veronica Salas – viola

With her 'fluidly lyrical' playing (New York Times), violist Veronica Salas is a versatile performer and teacher who has been featured as soloist, chamber musician and master class artist throughout the world. As soloist Salas has performed with Mostly Mozart, LIU Post Orchestra, Aspen Music Festival, USC Symphony, Colonial and Westfield Symphonies. Under the auspices of the State Department, she has given recitals and master classes in Hong Kong, the Philippines and Taiwan as well as touring the Greek Isles as violist of the Elysium String Quartet. As violist of Modern Works, the recording of Ge Gan-Ru String Quartets, on the Naxos label, was chosen by critics of The New York Times as a notable recording of 2009. Highlights of other recordings include a Virgil Thomson CD where Salas is featured, an all-Mozart CD with Stanley Drucker and the Bach Brandenburg Concerti featuring Lukas Foss. An avid chamber musician, Salas is violist of The Pierrot Consort, Bronx Art Ensemble, Canta Libre and previous member of Modern Works, Elysium Ensemble and Queens Chamber Band in which she played concertos on viola d'amore. She has performed chamber music with Yo-Yo Ma, Eric Friedman, Lawrence Dutton, Joseph Fuchs and Stanley Drucker. Salas is presently principal violist of American Composers Orchestra and Phantom of the Opera on Broadway, and previous principal of Opera Orchestra of New York, Westfield Symphony and Manhattan Philharmonic. She is on the faculties of LIU Post and Bennington Chamber Music Conference. Salas received her B.M.A., M.M.A. and D.M.A. from The Juilliard School where she studied with Lillian Fuchs.

#### Maureen Hynes – Festival Co-Founder & cello

Maureen Hynes, co-founder of the Pierrot Chamber Music Festival, enjoys an active career as cellist, conductor, chamber musician and educator. She performs regularly with American Ballet Theater, American Symphony Orchestra, American Composers Orchestra, the Bard Festival Orchestra, the Westchester Philharmonic, and the Queens Symphony. She has appeared at the Spoleto and Aspen Festivals, and with the Bard Festival Chamber Players. Her work in New York has also included substitute work in many Broadway shows. Solo and chamber music appearances include performances at Carnegie Hall's Weill Recital Hall, Merkin Concert Hall, Alice Tully Hall, the Phillips Collection in Washington D.C., and the Kennedy Center. She has performed in Europe, Canada, Korea, and Hong Kong. Currently a member of the Pierrot Consort, she also appears as soloist, chamber musician and faculty at Songe d'été en musique in Québec, Canada. Ms. Hynes was Director of Orchestral and String Studies and Professor of Cello at the LIU Post campus of Long Island University where she conducted the LIU Post Orchestra, the LIU Post String Ensemble, and directed the Merriweather Consort. She also created and directed the LIU Post Pre-College Program. In the fall of 2015, she joined the faculty of the Manhattan School of Music where she teaches Introductory and Advanced Conducting classes. Her conducting career has included conducting the 2016-2017 season of the Queens Symphony, Guest Conducting the Rutgers Symphony Orchestra and numerous appearances with regional and statewide Festivals and clinics. She also conducted the LIU Post String Ensemble on tours in Italy and Ireland. She adjudicates for Worldstrides Heritage Festivals Ms. Hynes is a graduate of the Manhattan School of Music, where she received her B.M. and M.M. degrees. She has given Cello Master Classes in Seoul, Korea and on Long Island and has recorded for the Albany label.

#### Heawon Kim - piano

Heawon Kim began her life with piano as one of Korea's most well-known prodigies of her generation appearing at the age of seven with the Korean Broadcasting Symphony Orchestra and the Seoul Philharmonic, including a performance with the KBSO for the opening of Sejong Hall, Seoul. Subsequently she won numerous competitions and came to the North Carolina School of the Performing Arts, studying with Clifton Matthews, winning the Vittorio Giannini Award, a prize winner of the Southeastern Music Teachers Competition, and appeared under the baton of Nicholas Harsanyi for Prokofiev's third piano concerto. Following rave reviews, she was brought to New York by Claude Frank, with whom she studied at the Mannes School of Music, and Robert Goldsand, at the Manhattan School of Music. Ms. Kim has been a soloist with regional orchestras in the United States and has appeared as chamber musician with such groups as the Bronx Arts Ensemble, L'Ensemble, The Pierrot Consort, Rosewood Chamber Ensemble, Garrett Lakes Festival, Leonia Chamber Players, Clarion Concerts/Leaf Peeper, Long Island Philharmonic, New York Virtuosi, and the Colonial Symphony. She was a frequent soloist, recitalist and chamber music collaborator for the late Erick Friedman for over 30 years, and also with such artists as Dennis Brott, Sergiu Luca, Marion Davies, Sanford Allen, Barry Finclair, and her husband, Dale Stuckenbruck. She has been The Pierrot Consort's pianist for over thirty years. For reviews and media visit: https://violin-saw.com/heawon-kim-piano

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#### Heejeon Ahn - violin & chamber music coach

Violinist Heejeon Ahn has established a diverse and accomplished career as both a soloist and chamber musician. Originating from Seoul, Korea, she began her violin studies at age five and made her debut with the Korean Symphony Orchestra at age twelve. As a soloist, she haalso performed with the Romanian Radio Chamber Orchestra, Yonsei Symphony Orchestra, and Stony Brook Symphony Orchestra, among others. She has earned top prizes from international and regional competitions, including the Wigmore Hall Chamber Music Competition, Fischoff Chamber Music Competition, Ackerman Chamber Music Competition, OSAKA International Music Competition, and many others. An enthusiastic collaborator, Ms. Ahn has worked with distinguished artists such as Gary Hoffman, David Shifrin, Colin Carr, John Bruce Yeh, Tim McAllister, Nicholas Phan, Hsin-Yun Huang, Edward Arron, Dong-Suk Kang, and Young-Chang Cho, among many others. She has been a featured artist in esteemed festivals such as the Great Lakes Music Festival, La Jolla SummerFest, Jeunesses Musicales Deutschland, Music Alp Festival, and Seoul Spring Festival. In addition to her solo pursuits, Ms. Ahn has demonstrated leadership as a concertmaster for bot the Cleveland Institute of Music and Stony Brook Symphony Orchestras. Her collaborative endeavors extend to chamber music concerts and masterclasses, where she has performed alongside world-renowned faculty, showcasing her versatility and commitment to musical excellence. As an avid educator, she served as a violin faculty member at the Pierrot Chamber Music Festival, guiding college and pre-college students in ensemble coaching. Additionally, she served as a Teaching Assistant for the University Orchestra at Stony Brook University. Also, as the resident string quartet at the SUNY Rockefeller Institute of Government, Ms. Ahn worked with college students at SUNY Schenectady and children in the Empire State Youth Orchestra's CHIME program. She also immersed herself in mentoring talented students, providing private lessons, coaching chamber ensembles, and developing a curriculum. Ms. Ahn received her Bachelor of Music and Master of Music degrees from Yonsei University, where she studied with Dong-Suk Kang, and her Artist Diploma from the Cleveland Institute of Music, studying with Jaime Laredo and Jan Sloman. She completed her Doctor of Musical Arts degree at Stony Brook University, supported by a full scholarship and guided by the tutelage of Philip Setzer, Arnaud Sussmann, and the Emerson String Quartet. She will be joining the Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra beginning in the 2025–2026 season.

#### Douglas Aliano – Assistant Director

#### Conductor of Precollege Chamber Orchestra & Chamber Music Coach

Douglas Aliano is a native of Long Island, the youngest of five double bassists in his family, and a proud Pierrot Chamber Music Festival alum, winning the Festival's Concerto Competition in 2012. He recently completed work as a Double Bass Fellow with the New World Symphony in Miami Beach, Florida and has appeared with the New York Philharmonic, the Boston Symphony Orchestra, and the National Symphony Orchestra. His festival appearances include the Music Academy of the West, the Pacific Music Festival, Spoleto Festival, the Tanglewood Music Center, and the Verbier Festival in Switzerland. Douglas performs throughout

Long Island and New York City, playing various styles ranging from classical to contemporary, jazz to Broadway, and pop to bluegrass. An active chamber musician and passionate advocate of new music, he has participated in numerous chamber music projects and has premiered many new chamber music and orchestral works. He also appeared as a member of Echo Chamber, an NYC-based ensemble dedicated to performing new works specially commissioned for its distinctive instrumentation. Douglas completed his undergraduate and graduate studies at The Juilliard School where he studied with Albert Laszlo and was a recipient of the Jerome L. Greene Fellowship. He recently received his master's degree in Music and Music Education from Columbia University and was a recipient of the Florence K. Geffen Scholarship.

#### Jonathan Bloomfield - violin & chamber music coach

Originally from Long Island, New York, Jonathan Bloomfield is a violinist and music educator who has been a part of the instrumental faculty of The LaGuardia High School of Music, Art, and Performing Arts in Manhattan since 2019. At LaGuardia, he has taught varying levels of string technique courses, chamber music, and conducts the string and concert orchestras. As a violinist, Mr. Bloomfield has performed as a soloist, chamber musician, and orchestral player at major performance venues, including Verizon Hall in Philadelphia, The Kennedy Center in Washington D.C., Symphony Space, Carnegie Hall, and Lincoln Center in New York City. He has performed as a principal player with several orchestras throughout the New York Metropolitan Area, most notably with The New York Festival Orchestra, Bronx Symphony Orchestra, and The Symphony of Westchester. Mr. Bloomfield received his musical training from The Mannes School of Music Preparatory Division, New York University's Steinhardt School, as well as CUNY Brooklyn College Conservatory of Music where he received a Masters Degree in Violin Performance. Additionally, he completed graduate studies in Music Education at Queens College: Aaron Copland School of Music. His mentors include renown violinists Masao Kawasaki, Gregory Fulkerson, and Ji-Won Kim. He participated in the Pierrot Chamber Music Festival in 2002, 2010 and 2011.

#### Christine Doré – piano, chamber music coach & musicianship classes

Pianist Christine Doré enjoys an active and varied career as a chamber musician, soloist, accompanist, and teacher. Her chamber music travels have taken her to Connecticut, Florida, Iowa, Massachusetts, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania and Tennessee, as well as Canada, Slovenia and the Czech Republic. She recently performed a Mozart concerto with the Northport Symphony. Ms. Doré is a founding member of the chamber music ensemble Chamberosity, which in 2009 commissioned Eric Ewazen's Trio for Horn, Violin and Piano. The ensemble premiered the trio at Juilliard and made the first recording of this piece. The group also commissioned a trio by Peter Winkler, which they premiered at the Staller Center in 2014 and recorded in 2015. All their recordings are available at cdbaby and iTunes. Ms. Doré began her musical studies in England. She earned a bachelor's degree with honors from the New England Conservatory and a master's degree from Mannes. She made her New York debut in 1996 as a collaborative pianist at Carnegie's Weill Hall. Ms. Doré ran the Music At Greenlawn concert series for the decade of its very successful existence, ending in 2003. She was a member of the faculty of the highly regarded Stony Brook Summer Music Festival during its tenure. For several years she was a member of the chamber music faculty of the pre-college music program at SUNY Stony Brook. Ms. Doré was a music faculty of LIU Post, where she was a Professor of Instrumental Coaching and Staff Accompanist. She has been the accompanist for the Huntington Choral Society since 1995. TV and film credits include Amazon Prime's Mozart in the Jungle, ABC's Loving and the documentary Death in the Wilderness. Ms. Doré believes in the highest standards of musical education and is devoted to her many students, both past and present.

#### Blair Hamrick - horn & chamber music coach & Festival Webmaster

Blair Hamrick is a freelance horn player and teacher in New York City. Blair performs with orchestras, chamber ensembles, and substitutes on Broadway shows, such as Into the Woods, Camelot, and the Lion King. She performed new solo horn and piano pieces in both Belgium and New Mexico in 2019 and in the summer of 2020, Blair collaborated on a new commission with Stony Brook composer and professor, Nirmali Fenn, to be premiered at the International Horn Symposium. Blair enjoys collaborating with composers for new music concerts and hopes to invigorate a wave of new and inspired contemporary pieces. Blair is also a member of the New York based horn quartet, Metropolitan Horn Authority, a winner of the "Ensemble Forward" grant program through Chamber Music America for 2020. She is also the horn player for Nu Quintet and Heartbeat Trio. Blair received her Doctoral Candidate in Horn Performance at Stony Brook University in the studio of David Jolley. Blair is also the Festival Webmaster for the Pierrot Chamber Music Festival.

#### Shane Helfner - oboe & chamber music coach

Shane Helfner is a graduate of the Eastman School of Music where he received a BM with Distinction in oboe performance, and Hofstra University where he received his MS with Distinction in music education. Mr. Helfner has also recently completed his administration degree from Stony Brook University. He has performed as the principal oboe of the Flower City Society Orchestra where he recorded a soundtrack for the film "Captain Salvation." Mr. Helfner studied at the Pre-College Division of the Juilliard School of Music, the Boston University Tanglewood Institute, the Banff Center Summer Arts Festival, the C.W. Post Chamber Music Festival, and the Hidden Valley Institute of the Arts in California. He has also traveled and performed throughout the western Mediterranean, Australia, New Zealand, and the South Pacific Islands. He has performed in venues such as Carnegie Hall, Lincoln Center, the Eastman Theater, Tilles Center, Staller Center, and the palace of the President of Malta. Shane Helfner has been a guest clinician at the Summer NYSSMA Conference, the Elementary Band Symposium in Suffolk County, and the Balanced Mind Conference at Molloy College on the oboe. He has been a member of the SCMEA Executive board and has been a guest clinician for the ukulele at the SCMEA Peak Festival and at various districts in Suffolk County. Mr. Helfner was invited to conduct the High School Reading Session at the Balanced Mind Conference at Long Island University. He was also just appointed the Assistant Conductor of the Huntington Community Band. Mr. Helfner has an extensive oboe and piano studio, has taught in the Harborfields, South Huntington, Northport, and Commack school districts, and is currently the High School Band Director in the Port Washington School District at Paul D. Schreiber High School.

#### Sarah Kadtke - Administrative Assistant to the Directors, Flutist & Chamber Music Coach

Sarah Kadtke is a professional flutist pursuing performance opportunities as a soloist, chamber musician and orchestral player. In May 2021, she graduated from LIU Post with her undergraduate degree in Instrumental Performance where she studied flute and chamber music with Dr. Susan Deaver. In her years at LIU Post, she was a performing flutist and piccolist with many groups, including Wind Symphony, Wind Ensemble, LIU Orchestra and the Percussion Ensemble. Sarah also actively participated in chamber ensembles throughout her undergraduate studies and had the opportunity to perform as a chamber musician in musical residencies at the Portledge School, Plainview-Old Bethpage JFK High School and at LIU Post, including virtual performances in 2020 and 2021. During her undergraduate studies, Sarah presented both a junior and senior flute recital and had the opportunity to perform in masterclasses at LIU Post and the Pierrot Chamber Music Festival, where she was coached by members of the Shanghai String Quartet and members of the Knights Orchestra. Sarah attended the Pierrot Chamber Music Festival beginning in 2018 and during the 2019 Festival was awarded with the Binkowski Award for Outstanding Woodwinds. Sarah has been the Administrative Assistant to the Directors of the Pierrot Chamber Music Festival since the summer of 2019. Sarah is currently pursuing her Master of Music degree at the Aaron Copland School of Music where she is studying flute with Keith Underwood. At ACSM, she has extended her chamber music repertoire to include jazz, contemporary, and Baroque ensembles, as well as maintaining positions in the ACSM Orchestra and Wind Symphony. She graduated in the Spring of 2024 with her Masters in Instrumental Performance Degree from the Aaron Copland School of Music.

#### Emily Kenyon – violin & chamber music coach

Emily Kenyon is the director of the 9-12 orchestras at John F. Kennedy High School and Wellington C. Mepham High School in the Bellmore-Merrick Central High School District. For the past 2 summers, Ms. Kenyon has been the upper strings lead teacher at the Usdan Summer Camp for the Arts, where she taught string classes and conducted the orchestras for students in grades 4-12. Ms. Kenyon has a passion for chamber music pedagogy and currently serves as the Vice President and lead organizer for the LISFA Chamber Music Festival. As a violinist, Ms. Kenyon freelances and performs regularly as a principal violinist with the South Shore Symphony Orchestra, and has played in other ensembles such as the Eastman Philharmonia and Opera Ensemble, the Brevard Festival Orchestra, and the National Orchestral Institute, where she recorded the album *Ruggles, Stucky & Harbison: Orchestral Works*, nominated for Best Orchestral Performance at the 2018 GRAMMY Awards. In addition to her string teaching and performing, Ms. Kenyon has a background in music theory and aural skills pedagogy and has taught undergraduate courses at the Eastman School of Music and UMass Amherst. Ms. Kenyon holds a bachelor's degree in Music Education from Ithaca College and a Master's in Music Theory from UMass Amherst. Ms. Kenyon will be the conductor for the SCMEA Division II East Symphony Orchestra this past March 2025.

#### Noah Koh – cello & chamber music coach

Noah Koh is a cellist and chamber musician born and raised in Queens, New York City. He has completed a Bachelor's and Master's Degree at the Juilliard School studying under Darrett Adkins and Natasha Brofsky and is continuing his education at the Stony Brook University with Colin Carr, earning a Doctorate in Musical Arts. When he is at school, Noah performs with local orchestras and chamber groups for private events, teaches private lessons and enjoys practicing yoga and playing soccer with his friends. During past summers, Noah has attended the Aspen Music Festival, Music Academy of the West, Bowdoin International Music Festival, Meadowmount School of Music and he is an alumnus from the Pierrot Chamber Music Festival. He has extensive experience playing chamber music. Noah loves to share music with all sorts of audiences, with the pursuit to bring them through the progression of masterpieces from the first note to the silence at the end.

#### Sung Jin Lee - viola & chamber music coach

Sung Jin Lee, from South Korea, is hailed as an 'Excellent Singing Violist' according to a New York Concert review by Frank Daykin. She is an avid chamber musician and soloist, having collaborated with esteemed artists such as Gidon Kremer, Steven Isserlis, Christian Tetzlaff, Nobuko Imai, Itzhak Perlman, Pamela Frank, and many others. In 2013, she was awarded the special prize at the Lionel Tertis competition, marking the beginning of her career as a soloist. She has since achieved numerous awards, including winning the Just Viola Festival, the Stonybrook concerto competition, the Kuminilbo & Hansei University competition, and being the grand prize winner of the Hyo competition. Ms. Lee has performed as a soloist with renowned orchestras such as the Baden-Baden Philharmonic, the Korean Symphony Orchestra, and the Académie Ensemble, among others. Her recitals have taken her to prestigious venues worldwide, including the Abbaye de Saint Maurice in St Murice, Switzerland, Kumho Art Hall in Seoul, Field Concert Hall in Philadelphia, and Paul Hall in New York. An enthusiastic collaborator, Ms. Lee frequently performs with esteemed orchestras and ensembles such as the Philadelphia Orchestra, San Diego Symphony, Sejong Soloist, Jupiter Chamber Music Players, and Noree Soloist. She has served as principal violist with the Curtis Symphony Orchestra and as a guest principal with the Pan Asia Orchestra and the Chamber Orchestra of New York. As a chamber musician, she has received the Bronze medal at the Fischoff National Chamber Music Competition and the special prize at the Wigmore Hall International String Quartet competition as a member of the Pelia Quartet. Ms. Lee has been invited to participate in numerous festivals, including Caramoor Evening Rising Star, Verbier Academy, Perlman Music Program, Music @ Menlo, and Kronberg Academy Chamber Music Connects the World, among others. She holds a Bachelor's degree from the Curtis Institute of Music, a Master's degree from the Juilliard School, and is an Artist Diploma student at the Manhattan School of Music, all on full scholarships. Recently, she earned her Doctoral degree from Stony Brook University.

#### Dillon Meacham - bassoon & chamber music coach

Praised for his "warm dark sound, lovely vibrato, and impressive staccato tonguing," Dr. Dillon Meacham is an accomplished bassoonist, teacher, and audio/video producer performing throughout the United States. He is the principal bassoonist of the Cayuga Chamber Orchestra and serves as faculty for Adelphi University, Long Island Conservatory, and during the summers at the Pierrot Chamber Music Festival. Dr. Meacham's diverse orchestral career also includes regular performances with the Hartford, New Haven, Norwalk, and Venice Symphonies. He performs frequently with the New York Kammermusiker and was invited to perform with the Newfound Chamber Winds, and at the Caroga Lake and Hamptons Festivals of Music. As a soloist, Dr. Meacham gave the acclaimed premiere of Michael Torke's 'West' Concerto with the Albany Symphony Orchestra, performed the Eric Ewazen Concerto with the Old Dominion University Wind Ensemble, and has performed concertos at the Eastern Music Festival, and in his hometown of Blacksburg, Virginia. Dr. Meacham was invited to attend the Bowdoin International Music Festival as a Kaplan Fellow and has also participated in the Sarasota and Canyon Arts Music Festivals, the Banff Centre Master Classes, and the Brevard Music Center. He enjoys refining his artistry and reed-making skills in the summers at the Glickman-Popkin Bassoon Camp in Little Switzerland, North Carolina. Dr. Meacham earned his doctorate from Stony Brook University and also holds degrees from the Yale School of Music, The Juilliard School, and the Peabody Conservatory. He has been privileged to study with Frank Morelli, Phillip Kolker, and Barbara Duke, and is the first playing owner of an 11,000 series Heckel bassoon built in 1971.

#### Helen (Hye Jin) Park – flute & chamber music coach

Dr. Helen (Hye Jin) Park is an active professional flutist and award-winning educator focused on broadening community access to music. A native of Korea, her résumé includes orchestral performances at Carnegie Hall and the Kennedy Center in North America, as well as with revered Korean institutions such as the Keum-Pa Professional Flute Ensemble and Sung Nam City Orchestra. As an educator, she has been a chamber coach at the Pierrot Chamber Music Festival since 2022, and a featured Teaching Artist with the Baltimore Symphony Orchestra's OrchKids program as well as Morse Academy Summer Music Festival where she was named Yale University's "Outstanding Teaching Artist of the Year". Given a new life in America thanks to the kindness and generosity of a single educator, she placed great value in her own education, now holding degrees from the Oberlin Conservatory (BM), Manhattan School of Music (M.M), Yale School of Music (MMA), and Stony Brook University (DMA). Ultimately, she aspires to pay forward the opportunities she received through education by founding a school that prioritizes underprivileged students. In addition to her pedagogical work, Ms. Park cofounded the Clio Artist Project in late 2020, a performing artist collective centered around herself, guitarist Nicoletta Todesco, and soprano Emily Donato. Dr. Park currently serves on faculty at the Molloy University and lives in Queens with her husband, bassoonist Dr. Dillon Meacham.

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Hyunju Ji - Administrative Assistant for Festival Alumni Events & Coordinator of the Festival Alumni Concert

Violinist Hyunju Ji has moved audiences in her native South Korea, Canada and the United States with her violin performances. An avid collaborator, Ms. Ji has played with numerous orchestras and chamber groups. She served as the concertmistress of the LIU Post Orchestra, and regularly performed with the North Shore Symphony Orchestra and Brooklyn Symphony Orchestra. Her recordings include Nick Chapman's Symphony No.1 and Majid Khaliq's Sound of Flower, Soriel NY Sessions and her solo album "Cantabile". She played at the New Jersey Performing Arts Center, National Sawdust and Joe's Pub with Mr. Khaliq for sold-out shows. She is also a violinist at Traumerei Piano Trio which presented two NYC debut performances at Queensborough Community College and DiMenna Center in 2017. Ms. Ji received both her Bachelor of Music (Summa Cum Laude) and Masters of Art degrees in violin performance and music history/literature from LIU Post. She was awarded scholarships from Dong-A University, Tongbaek Rotary Club and LIU Post and was awarded a Fellowship to the Pierrot Chamber Music Festival. Ms. Ji has also participated in masterclasses and educational residences given by notable musicians from the Emerson String Quartet, New York Philharmonic, Metropolitan Opera and Orpheus Chamber Orchestra. She has taught violin at Waldorf School of Garden City, Harmony Program and Love Violin for Children USA, Inc. Hyunju Ji has served as a solo violinist at Manna Church in NJ and the artistic director at Chamber Players of NY. She is the editor of the Pierrot Chamber Music Festival Alumni Newsletter and creates and designs videos and flyers for the festival. Each July she oversees the annual Festival Alumni Concert during the Festival. Ms. Ji played as a first violinist in Louisville Civic Orchestra in Kentucky and currently performs and teaches in metro Detroit, Michigan area.

Link Rossano – Administrative Assistant-Publicity & Social Media Coordinator & Concert Manager Link Rossano has been involved with intensive music studies since 2015, when he began private flute lessons with Dr. Susan Deaver. In 2021 he graduated with a Bachelor's degree in Music from LIU Post, where he performed in LIU Post's Tilles Band Festival numerous times and was active in chamber music. Link has an extensive list of experience with both teaching and performing music, including volunteer work teaching students of all ages as well as performing in various ensembles for artists like Michael Gayle. He has performed in pit orchestras for shows including Sweeney Todd and Phantom of the Opera. Last summer, he served as principal flutist with the Long Island Symphonic Winds, touring throughout Austria. His experience in teaching music began with Island Trees School District's Summer Music Program, in which he taught small classes of students of various ages how to play various instruments. The program also included numerous ensembles in which Link both performed and showed leadership in. He currently teaches with Ensemble Music Schools, displaying his expertise as a woodwind specialist. His work in administrative positions are vast as well, including secretarial work for the IT Summer Music program, and financial management as well as board positions for various clubs and societies including Tri-M and Environmental Club. Link graduated from Farmingdale State College in 2023 with a Bachelor's degree in Geographic Information Systems and currently makes music in a Long Island-based band called The Going Rate.

Sophie Chen, Volunteer Fundraising Coordinator

A rising Junior at Trinity School NYC, Sophie is a student at Manhattan School of Music Precollege, where she studies flute with Dr. Susan Deaver and performs in the Repertory Orchestra, chamber ensembles, and academic music courses. A passionate writer, she has received multiple Scholastic Art & Writing Awards, including several Gold and Silver Keys. Sophie is also a dedicated debater, having represented Trinity in Public Forum at numerous regional and national tournaments, including placing as an octafinalist at the Yale Invitational. Deeply interested in history, she has earned several research awards for her individual paper on the Opium Wars. Outside of school, Sophie regularly attends monthly Bingo nights at Trinity and volunteers frequently with music programs and nursing homes, where she often performs to bring music and joy to the community. This summer Sophie is serving as the Volunteer Fundraising Coordinator for the Pierrot Chamber Music Festival.









#### **Application Form – Pierrot Chamber Music Festival 2026**

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Program Fee is \$1,500 (Early application by March 1, 2026 is \$1,250 with application fee of \$40 *Deadlines for Application:* 

March 1, 2026 (deadline for early acceptance)

Send completed application with link to "unlisted" YouTube audition video with \$40 application fee April 1, 2026 (deadline for regular acceptance)

Send completed application with link to "unlisted" YouTube audition video with \$50 application fee May 1 and June 3, 2026 Extended Application Deadlines

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Payable via Zelle by using the Festival's email address: <a href="mailto:pierrotchambermusicfestival@gmail.com">pierrotchambermusicfestival@gmail.com</a> OR

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Solo Repertoire Studied or Played This Year	
Are you professionally involved in music? Do you plan a car List awards, scholarships and special recognition received.	reer in music?
Are there any chamber music pieces or composers, which you wou studying and performing this summer?	ıld be particularly interested in
Please check any of the following that you intend to be considered	
☐ Festival Award ☐ Progra	am Fee discount al volunteer
Signature of Applicant	
Signature of Parent or Guardian	Date
(If under 18 years of age)	Date

<u>APPLICATION FOR FESTIVAL VOLUNTEER – PIERROT CHAMBER MUSIC FESTIVAL</u>
The Festival offers the opportunity for participants to be involved with the Festival in a variety of ways. Please print out this form and email completed form to: <u>pierrotchambermusicfestival@gmail.com</u> Although we cannot guarantee volunteer assignments, we will try to match you to your requests whenever possible.

A brief description of Festival Volunteer tasks and hours can be found on the back of this application.

Name	Age (students)			
Student's Phone	E-mail			
Parent's name	Phone			
PLEASE CHECK ALL THAT ARE	OF INTEREST TO YOU			
☐ Usher at Festival concerts	☐ Stage Crew at Festival concerts			
☐ Audience Development	☐ Ticket Sales at Festival concerts (parent)			
☐ Festival T-Shirt sales	☐ Festival Office Assistant			
☐ Staffing Festival Office	☐ Supervising lunch hour from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m.			
PLEASE CHECK ALL THE DATES	YOU ARE AVAILABLE			
Festival concerts 7:30 p.m.   July 14 – Festival AlumniConcert  July 17 – The Pierrot Consort & Guest Artists Concert  July 22 – Participants' Chamber Music Concert  July 23 – Participants' Chamber Music Concert  July 24 – Festival Chamber Orchestra. & All Participants  Festival concert 4 p.m.  July 24 – Afternoon Chamber Music Concert at 4 p.m.  July 24 – Afternoon Chamber Music Concert at 4 p.m.  I am available to volunteer beginning in June  I am available to volunteer only during the Festival – July 13 through July 24  I am available to volunteer during the week before the Festival begins  I am available to volunteer after the Festival ends – July 27 & 28				
Do you have computer skills?				
Do you have designing skills?				
Do you have a special skill you could o	contribute or offer to the Festival?			

#### **DESCRIPTION OF VOLUNTEER TASKS & HOURS**

Please note that hours at concerts is approximately 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.

#### USHERS – Three hours per concert – arrive at 6:30 p.m. (dress in black)

Distribute programs and collect tickets at Festival concerts

#### STAGE CREW – Four hours per concert – arrive 6:30 p.m. (dress in black)

Set up chairs and stands and move them and/or the piano between pieces

Help with breakdown after the concert. Hours approximately 6:30 to 10:30 p.m.

#### **AUDIENCE DEVELOPMENT – Hours arranged**

Assisting the Festival Office prior to the beginning of the Festival with promotion of the Festival's Concert Series. Could include sending out tickets pre-Festival and working on group sales for audience development

## TICKET SALES at Festival concerts—Two hours per concert arrive at 6:30 p.m. (dress in black) Collect money for tickets and categorize sales (as regular, student, senior)

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### FESTIVAL T-SHIRT SALES – Four hours per concert – arrive at 6:30 p.m. (dress in black)

Sell Festival T-shirts. Extra hours could include sales during the week

#### FESTIVAL OFFICE ASSISTANT - Hours arranged

Assisting Directors & Administrative Assistants with various jobs and tasks as needed.

### **SUPERVISING LUNCH HOUR (must be 18 years or older)**

Monday through Friday 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. (days arranged)

Assist in overseeing organized lunch area to ensure that students stay in designated lunch area to prevent accidents and problems. Those supervising must be able to address the needs of students and be available if there is a problem. Also overseeing to make sure students clean up lunch areas before lunch period ends and communicate with Directors any special needs for students.

Assignments will be coordinated by the Festival Directors and/or Administrative Assistants