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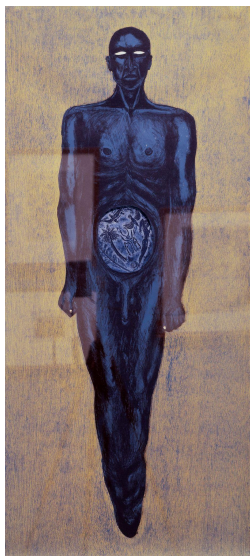
Composers Concert

Thursday, July 30, 2026

Tour: Bowdoin College Museum of Art

Concert: Studzinski Recital Hall

Student composers have selected works of art from the Bowdoin College Museum of Art galleries to use as inspiration for new compositions, performed today by Festival students. We invite all guests to view the works at the Museum. The Festival's composition program is led by composers-in-residence Derek Bermel and Andreia Pinto Correia.



RAIN YURUI HOU

Ghosts of

Lucy Rubin, flute • Aedan Lowry, violin
Oskar Norell, cello • Leqi Yang, piano

This piece was inspired by: Alison Saar, *Man Club*, 1993, woodcut, lithograph, and etching on paper. Anonymous Gift and Museum Purchase, James Phinney Baxter Fund, in memory of Professor Henry Johnson.

MINGDU LI

Though Unseen

Kaylynn Li, violin • Kahauri Donya Brown-Givens, cello
Max Hammond, piano

This piece was inspired by: Reza Aramesh, *Site of the Fall – Study of the Renaissance Garden Action 247: At 11:45 am Friday 27 June 2003*, 2023, marble, 40 9/16 x 21 1/16 in. Museum Purchase, Laura T. and John H. Halford, Jr. Art Acquisition Fund.





WILLIAM JAE

Music to No One in Particular

Taig Egan, clarinet • Lucy Hamilton, violin
Adam Kremer, cello • Max Hammond, piano

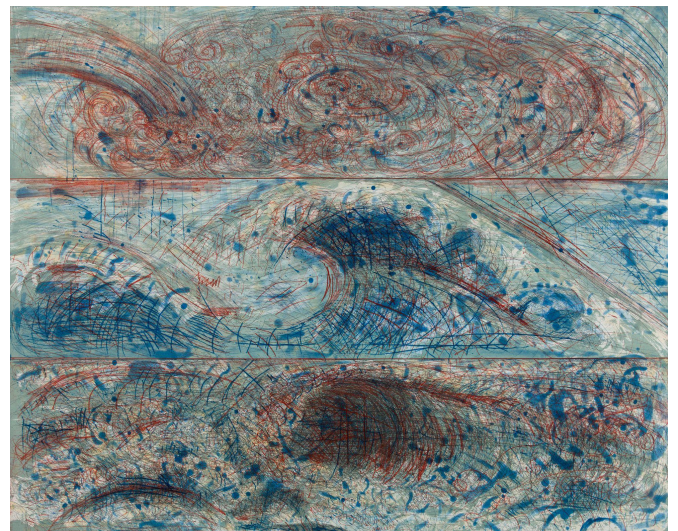
This piece was inspired by: Robert S. Neuman, *Monument to No One in Particular*, 1971, oil on french linen, 85 x 41 3/4 in. Gift of Sunne Savage.

XIRAN TONG

Transcritical State

Braden Riley, Claire Lee, violin • Olympia Nelson, viola • Maya Sauder, cello • Xiran Tong, conductor

This piece was inspired by: Pat Steir, *The Wave - from the Sea - After Leonardo, Hokusai and Courbet*, 1985, etching, drypoint, and aquatint on paper, 36 x 45 in. Museum Purchase, Lloyd O. and Marjorie Strong Coulter Fund.



VINCENT ZHANG

Clouds as Clocks

Linghe Zhang, violin • Sofia Scherer, viola
Gina Kim, cello • Yiduo Zhao, piano

This piece was inspired by: Martin Johnson Heade, *Newburyport Marshes: Passing Storm*, ca. 1865-1870, oil on canvas, 15 1/8 x 30 1/4 in. Museum Purchase, with the aid of the Sylvia E. Ross Fund.



JOHN BROCKETT

Deep Sun

Jonathan Swank, violin • Xijun Zhao, cello
John Garo Lonergan, piano

This piece was inspired by: Helen Frankenthaler, *Deep Sun*, 1983, etching, soft ground etching, aquatint, spit-bit aquatint, drypoint, engraving, and mezzotint on paper, 30 x 40 1/8 in. Gift of the Helen Frankenthaler Foundation.

NGUYEN MINH TRAM

Rotunda

Corinne Foley, oboe
Katelyn Waffer Poetker, clarinet
Jie-Ling Jennie Tang, viola
Kahauri Donya Brown-Givens, cello



This piece was inspired by: The Walker Art Building rotunda, designed by Charles Follen McKim of McKim, Mead, and White. Rotunda photos by John Kuiper.



JIHWAN YOON

Portrait...

Taig Egan, clarinet • Rachel Leigh McClellan, violin
Saoirse Hurley, bass • Nora Graf, percussion

This piece was inspired by: Marius de Zayas, *Portrait of Theodore Roosevelt from a set of Six Photogravures*, ca. 1912-13, photogravure on paper, 9 1/4 x 7 in. Museum Purchase, Lloyd O. and Marjorie Strong Coulter Fund.



MOZHGAN CHAHIAN BOROOJENI

Ancient Tale Voices

Mozhgan Chahian Boroojeni, voice • Corinne Foley, oboe,
Abigail Lopez, bassoon, Jonathan Swank, violin
John Santucci, percussion

This piece was inspired by: Timurid Empire, *Leaf from a manuscript copy of Firdawsi's Shahnama (Book of Kings) with text from "The Capture of Alfrasiab,"* ca. 1390-1410, ink opaque watercolor, and gold paper, 6 1/2 x 6 3/4 in. Gift of Miss Elizabeth P. Martin.



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