

Phillips Exeter Academy Music Department



Spring Term Student Showcase Concert

Friday, April 24, 2026
7:00 PM

“the Bowld”
Forrestal Bowld Music Center
29 Tan Lan, Exeter, NH

Program

茉莉芬芳 *Mo Li Fen Fang*

何占豪 Zhanhao He
(b. 1933)

Lucy Ma '29, *guzheng*

Flute Sonata in E-flat major, BWV 1031

J.S. Bach
(1685-1750)

Madoka Hubbard '28, *flute*
Jacob Hiser, *piano*

Grandes Études de Paganini in E major No. 5

Franz Liszt
(1811-1886)

Celine Merritt '29, *piano*

It's De-Lovely

Cole Porter
(1891-1964)

Emi Southgate '28, *mezzo-soprano*
Jacob Hiser, *piano*

Hungarian Rhapsody, Op.68

David Popper
(1843-1913)

Alvin Zhou '29, *cello*
Jacob Hiser, *piano*

Rondo Capriccioso, Op. 14

Felix Mendelssohn
(1809-1847)

Cashel Drohan '29, *piano*

Sonata no.3 "Ballade"

Eugène Ysaÿe
(1858-1931)

Martin Yau '26, *violin*

Bring Him Home

Claude-Michel Schonberg
(b. 1944)

Ezequiel Martinez '27, *tenor*
Jacob Hiser, *piano*

Scène de Ballet

Charles-Auguste de Bériot
(1802-1870)

Ava Bullock '26, *violin*
Jacob Hiser, *piano*

Anthem

Benny Andersson/ Björn Ulvaeus
(b. 1946/b.1945)

Albert Zhu '26, *baritone*
Jacob Hiser, *piano*

Dawning of the Day

Thomas Connellan
(1640-1698)

Catherine Miller '27, *bagpipes*

Una donna a quindici anni

Wolfgang A. Mozart
(1756-1791)

Harini Venkatesh '26, *soprano*
Jacob Hiser, *piano*

Widmung

Schumann-Liszt
(1810-1856)

Evan Fan '26, *piano*

Sonata No. 1 in G Minor
III. *Siciliana*

Bach

Anne Wang '26, *violin*

Moon River

Johnny Mercer
(1909-1976)

Katie Hu '26, *mezzo-soprano*
Mr. Hiser, *piano*

Zigeunerweisen

Pablo de Sarasate
(1844-1908)

Hugo Shinn '27, *violin*
Jacob Hiser, *piano*



Congratulations to our seniors!

Ava Bullock, Evan Fan, Katie Hu, Harini Venkatesh, Anne Wang,
Martin Yau & Albert Zhu

Jacob Hiser, Collaborative Pianist



Jacob Hiser is a versatile pianist and violinist who performs and studies a variety of musical traditions. Born and raised in southern Missouri, he grew up playing bluegrass, blues, and classical music, eventually discovering jazz and graduating from Missouri State University with a bachelor's degree in Jazz Studies. In 2014, he moved to Boston to attend New England Conservatory's Contemporary Improvisation program, graduating with his master's degree in 2016. While there, he studied with Ran Blake, Bruce Brubaker, Joe Morris, and Frank Carlberg, and performed in ensembles and concerts coached/directed by John Zorn, Jason Moran, Tanya Kalmonovitch, Anthony Coleman, and Simon Carrington.

With jazz groups, country bands, choirs, Korean folk music ensembles, and classical cellists, Jacob has performed all over the United States, as well as Canada, France, Germany, Hungary, and Australia. In summer 2019, he was accepted into the International Workshop in Jazz and Creative Music at Banff Centre for the Arts in Alberta, Canada, where he spent 3 weeks creating music with 45 other improvising musicians from around the world and working closely with faculty Vijay Iyer, Steph Richards, Tyshawn Sorey, Okkyung Lee, and many others. Outside of Phillips Exeter Academy, he is a pianist for Boston Children's Chorus and a freelance musician. During the summers, he is a faculty member at Missouri Fine Arts Academy: a two-week summer residential program for high school student artists in visual arts, theatre, dance, creative writing, and music. He has released one album, "Seconds", comprised mostly of original jazz compositions for quintet and trio.