

# UNIVERSITY OF DELAWARE MASTER PLAYERS CONCERT SERIES & BLUE RESOURCES USA PRESENT MASTER PLAYERS FESTIVAL

July 23 - August 4, 2016 ("American Musical Journey" for interested travelers: July 19- 23 and August 4 - 5)

Application Deadline February 15, 2016

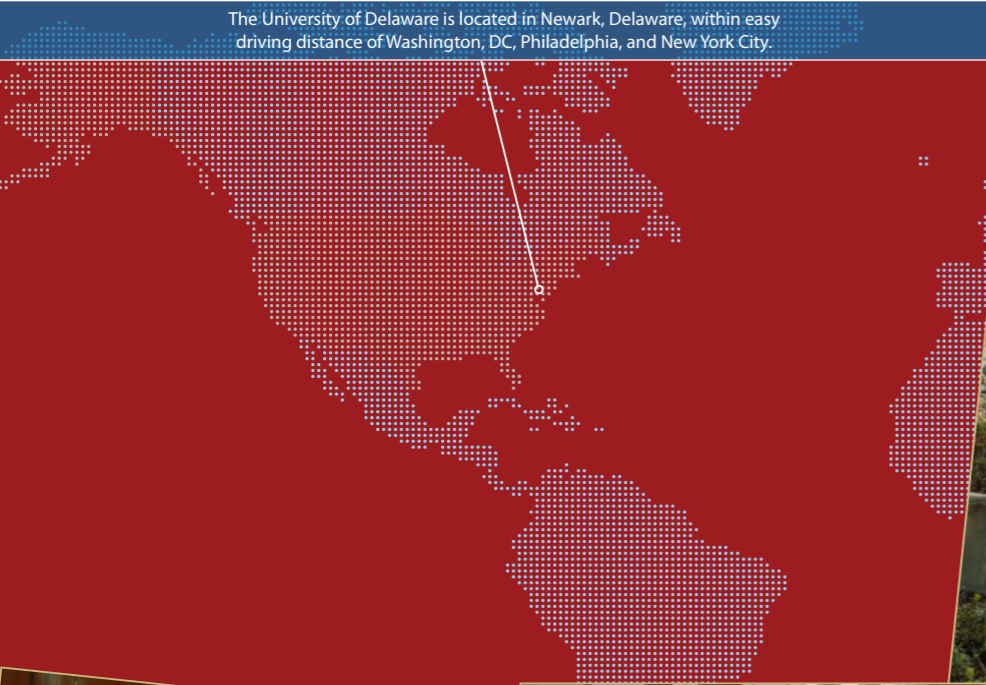
Presented by the acclaimed University of Delaware Master Players Concert Series, and Blue Resources USA, an arts education consulting firm, Master Players Festival (MPF) is held on the beautiful campus of the University of Delaware.

MPF is an intensive 12-day international summer music festival offering world-class concerts and exceptional training for young performers ages 16 and up\*. Participants learn from our world-renowned faculty through private lessons, master classes, chamber music coaching, orchestral studies, competitions, jazz and world music workshops, and concerts. Through the unique bilingual teaching and educational lectures offered by the MPF Arts Education Fair (an American high school and conservatory conference), MPF also prepares young performers for their future education and a career spanning the United States and China.

\*For students under the age of 16, please apply for "MPF Little Masters Division"



The University of Delaware is located in Newark, Delaware, within easy driving distance of Washington, DC, Philadelphia, and New York City.



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For APPLICATION and SCHOLARSHIP information  
& documentary films of MPF 2015 visit  
[www.masterplayersfestival.com](http://www.masterplayersfestival.com)

## MPF OFFERINGS

Participants will be given the opportunity to study with some of the most prominent professional musicians of our time, hear them in concert, and share the stage with them. Participants will also be able to network with many leading professors teaching at major music institutions. To further their possible future education and a career spanning the United States and China, MPF will host an annual ARTS EDUCATION FAIR on July 30, 2016. This fair will provide students and their families a deeper understanding of American high school and college education and their application process.

MPF's "American Musical Journey" is designed for interested students and will take place before and after the festival activities. Top quality tour guides, under the direction of the MPF director and faculty, will lead this trip to ensure the participants' experience is a truly memorable American journey. The excursions will include visits to historical and tourist sites as well as major American musical landmarks. Participants will travel to New York City to visit the Julliard School, the Manhattan School of Music, Lincoln Center (New York Philharmonic and MET Opera), Carnegie Hall, and Broadway etc.; Philadelphia to visit the Curtis Institute, the Kimmel Center (Philadelphia Orchestra), University of Pennsylvania, and Temple University; Baltimore to visit the Peabody Institute at Johns Hopkins University and Meyerhoff Symphony Hall (Baltimore Symphony); and Washington D.C. to visit the Kennedy Center (National Symphony) among others.

## 2016 MPF APPLICATION SCHEDULE

February 15	Deadline for online application submission with \$100 non-refundable application fee
February 28	Deadline for LATE online application submission with \$150 non-refundable application fee
March 5	Accepted participants announced on MPF website, including MPF student ensemble in residence and RA/GA positions
March 10	30% tuition due
March 15	Invitation letters sent via email for those completing visa applications ( pending 30% tuition paid)
April 15	Recommended date to secure flights during high-season
April 25	MPF chamber, orchestral, jazz, world, and competition repertoire announced
May 1	Deadline for online registration submission with remaining tuition balance (70%)
July 19	American Musical Journey participants arrive at JFK airport by 3:00pm local time
July 23	All MPF participants arrive at University of Delaware campus by 3:00pm local time

## PARTICIPANTS WITH **DISABILITY**

MPF is a wheel-chair friendly festival and welcomes participants with registered disabilities.

## SPECIAL **EVENTS**

### **MPF ARTS EDUCATION FAIR**

The MPF Arts Education Fair is a one-day conference presented by Blue Resource USA. The conference will feature presentations by admission officers from more than 25 elite boarding schools and music conservatories/colleges. It is a great opportunity for MPF students to learn about each school and its admission process for their future education and career planning. It is also a great opportunity for institutions to encounter many talented young musicians. See our website for a complete list of participating institutions.

## **MPF JAZZ AND WORLD MUSIC WORKSHOPS**

Special workshops of jazz improvisation and world music performance. Faculty artists will include American jazz musicians, Asian folk musicians, and Bluegrass/Celtic/Scottish fiddlers, among others (see a final list of faculty on our website in March).

### **THE LITTLE MASTERS DIVISION**

MPF invites participants aged 10 to 15 to join this special camp with unique musical and non-musical daily activities. The young musicians will be inspired and informed by MPF artists. While the tuition cost and application process are the same, online auditions are not required. For those not wishing to participate in musical activities, other daily artistic courses will be arranged. Students aged 13 and younger on July 23, 2016, using MPF housing, must share a room with a parent or guardian. Local commuters welcome with reduced tuition. See our website under EVENTS- THE LITTLE MASTERS CAMP for more details.

## MPF ARTIST **FACULTY**

**FOR A COMPLETE AND UPDATED FACULTY LISTING, VISIT OUR WEBSITE AFTER MARCH 15, 2016**

### **VIOLIN:**

**Justin Chou**, artistic administrator and producer of MPF special events  
**Xiang Gao**, artistic director of MPF, University of Delaware  
**Bin Huang**, Eastman School of Music  
**David Kim**, Philadelphia Orchestra  
**Qing Li**, Baltimore Symphony Orchestra  
**James Stern**, University of Maryland  
**Max Zorin**, Pennsylvania State University

### **VIOLA:**

**Esme Allen-Creighton**, University of Delaware  
**Daniel Foster**, National Symphony Orchestra & University of Maryland  
**Andrea Priester Houde**, West Virginia University  
**Manqin Zhang**, Singapore Symphony and Yong Siew Toh Conservatory (Singapore)

### **CELLO:**

**Bo Li**, Baltimore Symphony Orchestra and MPF Director of Recruitment  
**Haiye Ni**, Philadelphia Orchestra  
**Jeffrey Solow**, Temple University  
**Alan Stepansky**, Peabody Institute & Manhattan School of Music  
**Lawrence Stomberg**, University of Delaware

### **BASS:**

**Robert Nairn**, Juilliard School & Pennsylvania State University  
**Yungchiao Wei**, Louisiana State University  
**Daxun Zhang**, University of Texas - Austin

### **HARP:**

**Anne Sullivan**, University of Delaware

### **GUITAR:**

**Christiaan Taggart**, University of Delaware

### **PIANO:**

**Charles Abramovic**, Temple University  
**Matthew Brower**, Washington College  
**Joel Hastings**, Florida State University  
**Tom Palmer**, University of Delaware (Jazz Piano)  
**Rita Sloan**, University of Maryland  
**Zhihua Tang**, Piano, Michigan State University

### **WOODWINDS & BRASS:**

**Katherine Needleman**, Oboe, Baltimore Symphony  
**Aaron Goldman**, Flute, National Symphony  
**Eileen Grycky**, Flute, University of Delaware  
**Eugene Mondie**, Clarinet, National Symphony  
**Christopher Nichols**, Clarinet, University of Delaware  
**Lynn Moncilovich**, Bassoon, University of Delaware  
**Fei Xie**, Bassoon, Baltimore Symphony  
**Todd Groves**, Saxophone, University of Delaware  
**Additional faculty to be announced online**

### **PERCUSSION:**

**Harvey Price**, University of Delaware

### **CONDUCTORS:**

**James Allen Anderson**, University of Delaware  
**Duo Shen**, MPF Dean of International Students

### **INTERNATIONAL GUEST ARTISTS:**

**Lin Chang**, Conductor, East China Normal University  
**Shuhua Chen**, Piano, Xiamen University  
**Changxin Guan**, Piano, China Conservatory  
**Xiaoxue Sun**, Piano, Capital Normal University of China

**WORLD AND JAZZ FACULTY ARTISTS TO BE ANNOUNCED ONLINE MARCH 15, 2016**

## **Tuition cost: \$2,500\***

*(arrive on campus by July 23 at 3 p.m.)*

Tuition covers 2 private lessons, chamber music coaching, master classes, piano accompanist fee, free access to all concerts, all jazz and world music workshops, high school and college conference, mandatory international health and travel insurance, UD campus facility fee, air-conditioned double-occupancy dormitory room with all linens and cleaning service, all meals from dinner on July 23 to dinner on August 3, RA and festival staff support, and evening social activities and excursions.

*\*For local commuters not requiring on campus housing, the tuition is **\$1950** (drop-off time is 8:30am after breakfast, pickup around 10:00pm after concerts).*

## **“American Musical Journey” cost: \$850**

*(July 19-23 and August 4-5)*

The fee covers 3 to 4 star hotels, all meals, excursion tickets, bilingual tour guides, air-conditioned transportation, and special meals (tip excluded).

## **Additional cost**

*Festival dorm room single occupancy supplement charge: \$280 (for July 23–August 3)*

*AMJ hotel room single occupancy supplement charge: \$350 (for July 19–July 22 and August 4)*

**For international applicants, use of MPF’s preferred application service agencies is highly recommended but not required. Service fees may apply. See our website for a list of MPF’s preferred international recruitment and application service agencies.**

For full information visit

**[www.masterplayersfestival.com](http://www.masterplayersfestival.com)**

If you have any questions, please contact MPF admissions  
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