

WhartonARTS

Helen H. Cha-Pyo, Artistic Director



24/25
SEASON

Dear Wharton Arts Community,

We're delighted to welcome you to the Wharton Arts 2024-25 season, a celebration of creating, experiencing, and sharing joy through the transformative power of a performing arts education.

At Wharton Arts, we believe that joy is not merely a fleeting emotion but a profound experience that enriches lives by coming together to create something greater than ourselves. This season, we are thrilled to present an array of performances and programs to ignite joy in audiences of all ages.

From the spectacular performances of the New Jersey Youth Symphony, to the sparkling voices of the New Jersey Youth Chorus, to the dedicated students at the Paterson Music Project, alongside our exceptional faculty and diverse theater arts and community programming at the Performing Arts School, each Wharton Arts program is meticulously designed to inspire and uplift our students, their families, and communities across New Jersey.

Season highlights include the **Signature Concert Series** by the **New Jersey Youth Symphony**: a patriotic Veterans Day Concert and A Concert for Peace with *Violins of Hope*, featuring award-winning guest soloists, including Jeffrey Biegel, Ranaan Meyer, and Asi Matathias; a collaboration between the **New Jersey Youth Chorus** and world-renowned Lyyra, the only professional six-voice women's cappella group in the United States; a special concert commemorating the powerful impact of various Black artists in the **Paterson Music Project's** Black History Month Celebration; and productions at the **Performing Arts School**. We are thrilled to showcase Wharton Players in *Alice in Wonderland JR* and Wharton Community Players in *Next to Normal*, the three-time Tony Award-winning show that was the recipient of the 2010 Pulitzer Prize for Drama.

Our new strategic plan aims to create meaningful connections and foster creativity in young people, as well as across generations, ensuring that everyone has access to an outstanding music and theater arts education.

Whether you are a longtime supporter, or just discovering Wharton Arts for the first time, we invite you to join us on a joyous journey this season.

Thank you for your continued support and enthusiasm. Together, let us embrace the joy of music and the arts, creating memories and lifelong connections that will resonate for years to come.



Helen Cha-Pyo
Artistic Director



Gina Caruso
Executive Director



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THROUGH MUSIC

April 10, 2025

Cocktail Reception at 6:00 p.m.
Dinner and Ceremony at 7:30 p.m.
Westmount Country Club
Woodland Park

Featuring performances by
Wharton Arts Students and Faculty

Wharton **ARTS** **DAY**



March 16, 2025 at 12:00 - 6:00 p.m.

The Mills at Jersey Gardens, Elizabeth
FREE



Discover Wharton Arts through six hours of exciting performances by talented young musicians from our four programs: **New Jersey Youth Chorus, New Jersey Youth Symphony, Paterson Music Project, and Performing Arts School**. Enjoy a wide array of music, from jazz and musical theater to iconic symphonic movie scores, performed by both small and large ensembles. Experience the joy of music and share in the excitement of performing arts education in New Jersey. Don't miss the live auction for a chance to conduct a 500-piece orchestra! Join us for a day filled with musical magic and community celebration. Donations can be made to support performing arts education at Wharton Arts.



Featuring Performances by Wharton Arts Students

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| 12:00 p.m. | Performing Arts School |
| 1:00 p.m. | Paterson Music Project |
| 2:00 p.m. | New Jersey Youth Chorus |
| 4:00 p.m. | New Jersey Youth Symphony |





New Jersey Youth Chorus

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Voices of Joy Choral Festival

November 16, 2024

Dolan Hall, Annunciation Center
at Saint Elizabeth University, Morristown

Participant Fee \$35/Concert FREE

Grades 4-6

All singers in grades 4-6 are invited to join NJYC for this exciting day-long choral festival which will include fun and engaging rehearsals, games, and activities led by our exceptional directors. No audition is necessary! The event will culminate in a free public concert at 3:00 p.m. showcasing our talented young participants. Spots are limited—register now at NJYC.org!

NJYC Primo Coro: Trish Joyce, Director

NJYC Coro Vivo: Dan Malloy, Director

NJYC Sola Voce: Joanna Scarangelo, Director



A Holiday Journey

December 15, 2024 at 4:00 p.m.

The Presbyterian Church in Morristown, Morristown

\$20/Adults, \$15/Students & Seniors

Experience the joy of the holiday season through music as all five NJYC choirs take the stage. From traditional carols to international festive favorites, join us for an uplifting afternoon of seasonal music that transcends borders and brings us together in harmony.

NJYC Primo Coro, Coriste: Trish Joyce, Director

NJYC Coro Vivo, Camerata: Dan Malloy, Director

NJYC Sola Voce: Joanna Scarangelo, Director

Accompanists: Phillip Steffani, Andrew Macirowski, and Ryan Bridge



Join the New Jersey Youth Chorus!

January & June 2025

Auditions are held in January and June. Registration is open from December 1, 2024 - January 1, 2025, and April 1 - June 1, 2025. Audition requirements and application are available online at NJYC.org.

Men That Matter

February 23, 2025 at 5:00 p.m.

Morristown United Methodist Church, Morristown

FREE. Donations can be made to benefit Cornerstone Family Programs and Morristown Neighborhood House.

Join the talented boys and young men of NJYC with

guests from the Princeton Boychoir for a heartwarming concert that honors the special relationships between boys and the important men in their lives. This unique performance will bring together our young choristers with their fathers, grandfathers, uncles, and other important mentors and role models: men that matter most to them. Donations will benefit Cornerstone Family Programs and Morristown Neighborhood House whose mission includes educating children and empowering teens.

NJYC Coro Vivo, Camerata: Dan Malloy, Director

Accompanist: Andrew Macirowski



Just Us Girls

March 8, 2025 at 4:00 p.m.

Morristown United Methodist Church, Morristown

FREE. Donations can be made to benefit the Brooke Healey Foundation.

Our celebration of joy continues with powerful performances by the girls' ensembles of NJYC and special guests as they raise their voices in strength, inspiration, and hope. In honor of International Women's Day, donations from the concert will benefit the Brooke Healey Foundation, an organization that provides vital support to families battling pediatric cancer and funds targeted research.

NJYC Primo Coro, Coriste: Trish Joyce, Director

NJYC Sola Voce: Joanna Scarangelo, Director

Accompanists: Phillip Steffani and Ryan Bridge

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Now Enrolling! Primi Passi

Music Exploration Class for Grades K-2

Primi Passi is a non-auditioned class of the New Jersey Youth Chorus. The singing-focused curriculum includes active learning of musical games and activities, folk dance and movement, and basic music literacy and vocal skills. More information at NJYC.org.

Lyra in Concert: An Extraordinary Musical Collaboration

April 25, 2025 at 8:00 p.m.

The Presbyterian Church in Morristown, Morristown
\$35-\$45

NJYC will share the stage with the exceptional Lyra—the only professional six-voice women’s a cappella group in the United States! Created by The VOCES8 Foundation, Lyra brings a breathtaking range and richness to their performances of classical, jazz, pop, and folk music from diverse traditions. With soaring vocals and exhilarating harmonies, this remarkable ensemble will captivate you as they collaborate with our acclaimed choristers.

NJYC Coriste: Trish Joyce, Director

NJYC Sola Voce: Joanna Scarangelo, Director

Accompanist: Phillip Steffani



Sing into Spring

May 18, 2025 at 4:00 p.m.

Ridge Performing Arts Center, Basking Ridge
\$20/Adults, \$15/Students & Seniors

Our annual performance showcases the extraordinary talents of all five NJYC choirs in a diverse program featuring repertoire from an array of different genres. Accompanied by guest instrumentalists, a special highlight will be a tribute to our graduating seniors as we honor their musical journeys. The concert warmly welcomes back alumni to join current members in the traditional singing of the inspirational *Blessing*—a moving moment you won’t want to miss.

NJYC Primo Coro, Coriste: Trish Joyce, Director

NJYC Coro Vivo, Camerata: Dan Malloy, Director

NJYC Sola Voce: Joanna Scarangelo, Director

Accompanists: Phillip Steffani, Andrew Macirowski, and Ryan Bridge



NJYC On the Road!

Coriste and Camerata Tour to Germany, Belgium,
and The Netherlands • 2025

Special events for NJYC choristers will also include travel to Princeton and Philadelphia, choral festivals at Carnegie Hall and the University of Connecticut, and collaborations with the St. Louis Children’s Choir and the Rhode Island Children’s Choir.



New Jersey Youth Symphony

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Signature Concerts

Rhapsody in Red, White, and Blue!

November 3, 2024 at 3:00 p.m.

Patriots Theater at the War Memorial, Trenton
\$20/Adults, \$15/Students & Seniors, **FREE for Veterans**

Join us for a heartfelt Veterans Day Concert honoring the brave men and women who have served our country.

This special event will feature the New Jersey premiere of Peter Boyer's *Rhapsody in Red, White, and Blue* with pianist Jeffrey Biegel. The New Jersey Youth Symphony and New Jersey Youth Chorus will perform a stirring selection of patriotic music celebrating the spirit of freedom.

NJYS Youth Symphony: Helen H. Cha-Pyo, Conductor

NJYC Coriste: Trish Joyce, Director

NJYC Camerata: Dan Malloy, Director

Accompanists: Phillip Steffani and Andrew Macirowski

Guest Artists: Jeffrey Biegel, piano and SSG Chelsea Friedlander, soprano



Jeffrey Biegel



Helen H. Cha-Pyo



Trish Joyce



Dan Malloy



Enchanting Musical Storytelling

April 27, 2025 at 3:00 p.m.

Nicholas Music Center at Rutgers University, New Brunswick
\$20/Adults, \$15/Students & Seniors

Join us for a captivating performance featuring Gabriela Lena Frank's *Three Latin American Dances* and Rimsky-Korsakov's mesmerizing *Scheherazade*. The final signature concert of the season will also showcase the exceptional talents of the **2025 NJYS Concerto Competition** winner. Don't miss this afternoon of enchanting melodies and thrilling musical storytelling!

NJYS Youth Symphony: Helen H. Cha-Pyo, Conductor



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A Concert
for

Peace

January 12, 2025

1:30 p.m. **Pre-Concert Talk**

by Luthier Avshi Weinstein with Display of Violins of Hope

3:00 p.m. **Concert**

New Jersey Performing Arts Center, Newark

\$18, \$36, \$54*

Limited VIP packages also available.

Pre-Concert Talk • FREE to ticket holders (Pre-registration is required)

Tickets available at NJPAC.org. VIP packages and pre-concert reception tickets available at WhartonArts.org. *Additional NJPAC facility fees apply.

Wharton Arts proudly presents **A Concert for Peace with Violins of Hope**, a poignant tribute to resilience and the power of music. Led by Artistic Director and Principal Conductor Helen H. Cha-Pyo, this special concert showcases the extraordinary Violins of Hope, precious stringed instruments that survived the Holocaust. These instruments, some of which were played by prisoners of ghettos and death camps, have been meticulously restored by Israeli luthiers Amnon and Avshi Weinstein. Today, they serve as symbols of survival and perseverance, bringing hope to audiences worldwide. Join us for an unforgettable weekend



with *Violins of Hope*



of remembrance, reflection, and renewal at **A Concert for Peace with *Violins of Hope*** as we commemorate the resilience of the human spirit and honor the legacy of those who perished in the Holocaust.

Felix Mendelssohn: Symphony No. 5 in D minor, Op. 107

Felix Mendelssohn: Violin Concerto in E Minor, Op. 64

Paul Frucht: In Tsyet: Concerto for Double Bass and Orchestra (NJ Premiere)

David Winkler: *Paradiso* for Solo Violin and Orchestra in

Memory of Amnon Weinstein (World Premiere)

Leonard Bernstein: Chichester Psalms

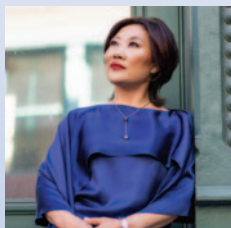
Guest Artists: Ranaan Meyer, double bass and Asi Matathias, violin

NJYS Youth Symphony: Helen H. Cha-Pyo, Conductor

NJYC Coriste: Trish Joyce, Director

NJYC Camerata: Dan Malloy, Director

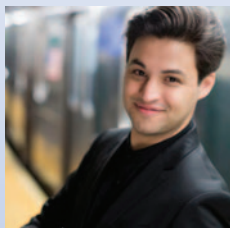
Harmonium Choral Society: Dr. Anne Matlack, Director



Helen H. Cha-Pyo



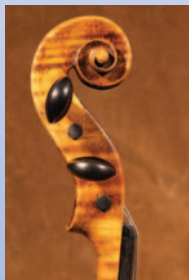
Ranaan Meyer



Asi Matathias



Avshi Weinstein



Violins of Hope Roundtable Talk

January 11, 2025 at 6:30 p.m.

FREE

Registration required to reserve tickets. For more information, including location, visit WhartonArts.org.

The Auschwitz violin, made in the workshop of Schweitzer in Germany, around 1850.

2024 New Jersey Flute Society Fair

Partnering with New Jersey Flute Society

November 2, 2024

New Jersey Youth Symphony, New Providence
Wharton Performing Arts School, Berkeley Heights
An exciting day filled with all things flute, including competitions, masterclasses, exhibitors, and performances by the NJYS Flute Ensembles led by conductor Natasha Loomis. For more information, visit njflutesociety.org.



Youth Orchestra: Simon Lipskar, Conductor
Fortissimo Flutes: Natasha Loomis, Conductor
Clarinet Ensemble, CL4tet: Bryan Rudderow, Conductor
November 16, 2024 at 3:00 p.m.
Margaret Williams Theatre at New Jersey City University,
Jersey City
\$20/Adults, \$15/Students & Seniors



Primo Strings, Concertino Strings: Michelle Hatcher,
Conductor
Chamber Flutes: Selia Myers, Director
December 7, 2024 at 1:00 p.m.
Dorothy Young Performing Arts Center at Drew University,
Madison
\$20/Adults, \$15/Students & Seniors



Sinfonia: Nevena Bojovic, Conductor
Flute Choir, Flute Forum: Natasha Loomis, Conductor
December 7, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.
Dorothy Young Performing Arts Center at Drew University,
Madison
\$20/Adults, \$15/Students & Seniors



Open Rehearsals Week

February 23 - 27, 2025

Join us for a behind-the-scenes look at any of our 15 ensembles. Meet our passionate artistic team and immerse yourself in a live rehearsal. Young musicians in grades 2-11 are warmly welcomed! Discover the joy of making music at NJYS. FREE. Register online at NJYS.org.

Percussion Ensembles I & II: Joe Bergen, Conductor
Philharmonica: Mark Gunderman, Conductor
December 8, 2024 at 3:00 p.m.

Patriots Theater at the War Memorial, Trenton
\$20/Adults, \$15/Students & Seniors

Jazz Orchestra: Shamie Royston, Director

Big Band: Gregory O. Williams, Director

Jazz Workshop: Dave Schumacher, Director

December 15, 2024 at 5:00 p.m.

Hamilton Stage at Union County Performing Arts Center,
Rahway

\$20/Adults, \$15/Students & Seniors

Alumni Night

January 3, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.

Burgdorff Hall at NJYS, New Providence
FREE

Gather with fellow NJYS alumni for an evening of joy and music: reminisce, celebrate friendships, and enjoy the NJYS community! Register to attend at [NJYS.org](https://www.njys.org).

Youth Orchestra: Simon Lipskar, Conductor

Fortissimo Flutes: Natasha Loomis, Conductor

Clarinet Ensemble, CL4tet: Bryan Rudderow, Conductor

February 8, 2025 at 2:00 p.m.

Nicholas Music Center at Rutgers University,
New Brunswick

\$20/Adults, \$15/Students & Seniors



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Open Auditions Season 2025-26

May 13 - June 1, 2025

Requirements posted on January 15 and excerpts posted on April 1. Registration open April 1 - May 1, 2025.

**Education Concert Celebrating
Women's History Month: *Raise Her Voice!*
March 5, 2025 at 10:00 a.m.**

Union County Performing Arts Center, Rahway
Music educators can reserve seats for their students
at NJYS.org.

Join the New Jersey Youth Symphony and conductor Helen H. Cha-Pyo for an engaging 50-minute Education Concert celebrating Women's History Month! Featuring works by Louise Farrenc, Florence Price, Chen Yi, and Gabriela Lena Frank, this concert highlights the vibrant compositions of historical and contemporary women composers. Experience different symphonic dance and festival music and enjoy a special segment introducing various orchestral instruments with visual aids. Pre-concert education materials will be provided to teachers upon reserving tickets.



Louise Farrenc



Florence Price



Chen Yi



Gabriela
Lena Frank



Wharton Arts Day 12:00 – 6:00 p.m.
For more information, see page 4.

New Jersey Youth Symphony PLAYATHON
March 16, 2025 at 4:00 p.m. Festival Orchestra Concert
The Mills at Jersey Gardens, Elizabeth
FREE

Join us for the 2025 NJYS Playathon! This beloved annual tradition, which will take place on **Wharton Arts Day**, is our largest fundraiser. Come hear 500 young musicians perform iconic cinematic scores and show tunes. Don't miss out on this unforgettable pops concert! **We need your support to reach our 2025 Playathon fundraising goal of \$100,000.**



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Flute Choir, Flute Forum, Fortissimo Flutes:

Natasha Loomis, Conductor

Chamber Flutes: Selia Myers, Director

May 3, 2025 at 1:00 p.m.

Memorial Auditorium at Montclair State University,
Montclair

\$20/Adults, \$15/Students & Seniors

Jazz Orchestra: Shamie Royston, Director

Big Band: Gregory O. Williams, Director

Jazz Workshop: Dave Schumacher, Director

PMP Silk City Jazz Collective: Sam Tobias, Director

May 3, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.

Memorial Auditorium at Montclair State University,
Montclair

\$20/Adults, \$15/Students & Seniors

Primo Strings, Concertino Strings:

Michelle Hatcher, Conductor

Sinfonia: Nevena Bojovic, Conductor

May 4, 2025 at 1:00 p.m.

Memorial Auditorium at Montclair State University,
Montclair

\$20/Adults, \$15/Students & Seniors

Philharmonia: Mark Gunderman, Conductor

Clarinet Ensemble, CL4tet: Bryan Rudderow, Conductor

May 4, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.

Memorial Auditorium at Montclair State University,
Montclair

\$20/Adults, \$15/Students & Seniors

Percussion Ensembles I & II: Joe Bergen, Conductor

Youth Orchestra: Simon Lipskar, Conductor

May 10, 2025 at 1:00 p.m.

Nicholas Music Center at Rutgers University,
New Brunswick

\$20/Adults, \$15/Students & Seniors



Summer Camp

June 22 - July 3, 2025

NJYS summer programs exemplify our commitment to performing arts excellence, individual growth, and life-changing experiential opportunities. Whatever your camper's creative ambitions are, they'll develop skills, find the space to flourish, and join an artistic community at NJYS.



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Wharton Arts in the Community

Halloween Hoopla & Trunk or Treat

October 26, 2024 at 3:00 p.m.

Saint John's Lutheran Church, Summit

FREE

This spooktacular family-friendly event will include fun and interactive Halloween sing-along songs and stories led by members of the New Jersey Youth Chorus followed by a Trunk-or-Treat. Be sure to wear your costume, bring your trunk-or-treating bag, and join us in having a haunting good time!



Woodwind Chamber Ensembles

Community Concert

November 20, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.

Sieminski Theater at Fellowship Village, Basking Ridge

FREE

Enjoy an evening of woodwind chamber ensembles from the New Jersey Youth Symphony featuring an array of classical and modern works.

Fortissimo Flutes: Natasha Loomis, Conductor

Clarinet Ensemble, CL4tet: Bryan Rudderow, Conductor



Piano & Cello Faculty Recital

January 26, 2025 at 4:00 p.m.

Saint John's Lutheran Church, Summit

FREE

Lucas Button, cello

Leah Frank, piano

Allow yourself to be transported by the sound and expression of this inspiring duo praised for their musical sensitivity and passionate artistry.

Advance ticket registration is required.



Wharton Arts in the Community

Jazz Vespers

March 23, 2025 at 4:00 p.m.

Saint John's Lutheran Church, Summit

FREE

Lance Bryant Trio and the Saint John's Choir

An inclusive experience of Lenten words and music, both modern and ancient, featuring the Lance Bryant Jazz Trio.



Wharton Arts Chamber Music Concerts

November 17, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.

Saint John's Lutheran Church, Summit

March 23, 2025 at 3:00 p.m.

Wharton Black Box Theater, Berkeley Heights

FREE

Enjoy a showcase of talented young chamber musicians from Wharton Arts.



Wharton Arts Workshops

**Parent Circle: Preparing College Applications
Using Music as a Supplement**

October 10, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.

**Parent Circle: Supporting Your Neurodivergent
Child in Their Study of Music**

March 6, 2025 at 7:00 p.m.

Wharton Black Box Theater, Berkeley Heights

FREE

Join Helen Cha-Pyo and Deb Joyal, moms and musicians, in a series of FREE informal conversations exploring the ins and outs of supporting student musicians. Register to attend at WhartonArts.org.



Wharton Arts Workshops

Suzuki Pre-Requisite Training: Every Child Can!

October 5 & 6, 2024 at 1:30 - 5:30 p.m.

January 4 & 5, 2025 at 1:30 - 5:30 p.m.

Wharton Arts Conference Room,
60 Locust Avenue, Berkeley Heights
Workshop Fee \$175

Nancy Modell, Facilitator

Every Child Can! (ECC) is an introduction to Dr. Suzuki's philosophy and its application to Suzuki education. For parents, teachers, prospective teachers, and others, this course provides an inspiring, in-depth look at the Suzuki approach to teaching and learning. Pre-registration is required.



Online Workshops

Finding Your Voice and Using It!

January 31, 2025 at 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

Online

FREE

Eric Salazar, Clinician

In this virtual workshop, Eric Salazar, *The Clarinet Guy*, will break down different styles of communication and provide an analysis of their effectiveness in rehearsal spaces. Hands-on activities will allow participants to identify the difference between passive, aggressive, passive-aggressive, and assertive communications. A miniature skit-based activity will have students act out different rehearsal scenarios in order to build competency in communicating during rehearsals assertively and respectfully. Recommended for grades 9-12. Pre-registration required.



How to Improve Your Sight Reading Skills

February 28, 2025 at 7:00 - 8:15 p.m.

Online

FREE

This interactive virtual workshop offers practical tips to rapidly improve your sight-reading ability. Musicians of all ages and levels are welcome! Pre-registration required.





Paterson Music Project

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Sing for Paterson Holiday Caroling

December 14, 2024 at 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

City of Paterson

FREE. Donations can be made to benefit CUMAC.

Join PMP students as they celebrate the holidays caroling around Paterson! This event will benefit CUMAC, an organization that fights hunger and its root causes through a holistic, trauma-informed approach that provides groceries and necessities to families and individuals in need.



Black History Month Concerts

February 1, 2025 at 1:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m.

John F. Kennedy High School, Paterson

\$10/Adults, \$5/Students & Seniors

Celebrate Black History Month with PMP as students uplift the musical contributions of various Black artists and their powerful impact on the world.



Day of Jazz

April 26, 2025 at 3:00 p.m.

John F. Kennedy High School, Paterson

FREE

Join us for our second annual Day of Jazz concert at 3:00 p.m. featuring all PMP jazz ensembles in collaboration with additional Paterson school jazz bands. Students will participate in a day of workshops and rehearsals culminating in a final concert.



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Spring Celebration Concert

May 15, 2025 at 7:00 p.m.

\$10/Adults, \$5/Students & Seniors

The Paterson Music Project's first spring concert will feature Harmony Strings, Concert Orchestra, Symphonic Band, Chamber Winds, and Symphony Orchestra.

Prelude Spring Concert

May 17, 2025 at 1:00 p.m.

John F. Kennedy High School, Paterson

\$10/Adults, \$5/Students & Seniors

The Paterson Music Project's second spring concert will feature Pre-Orchestra; Prelude 1 Strings, Band, and Guitar; and Prelude 2 Strings, Band, and Guitar.



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Performing Arts School

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Fall Festival & Suzuki Halloween Playdown

October 25, 2024 at 4:30 - 8:00 p.m.

4:30 - 6:30 p.m. Festival; 7:00 p.m. Suzuki Playdown

Wharton Performing Arts School, Berkeley Heights

FREE

Calling all goblins and ghouls! Wear your Halloween costume and join us for student performances, treats, and spooky festivities.



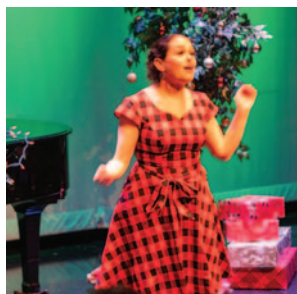
Holiday Cabaret

December 13, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.

Wharton Black Box Theater, Berkeley Heights

\$15

Join us at the fifth annual Holiday Cabaret for a night of fun, song, and holiday cheer. Performances by voice students, group classes, and Wharton Arts faculty.



Super Sunday Recital

February 9, 2025 at 12:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Wharton Black Box Theater, Berkeley Heights

FREE

Before you settle in for the big game, come and enjoy musical performances by Wharton Performing Arts School students of all ages.



Honors Recital

April 6, 2025 at 3:00 p.m.

Saint John's Lutheran Church, Summit

FREE

Join us for an afternoon of performances by distinguished young musicians from the Wharton Performing Arts School.

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Wharton Players in *Alice in Wonderland JR.*

November 22 & 23, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.

November 23 & 24, 2024 at 3:00 p.m.

Wharton Black Box Theater, Berkeley Heights

\$15/Adults, \$10/Students & Seniors

The Wharton Players' production of *Alice in Wonderland JR.* is a not-to-be-missed event! Experience the whimsy and magic of your favorite storybook characters as our premier group of student players takes you through a curious journey into Wonderland.

**Alice in Wonderland JR.* is presented through special arrangement with Music Theatre International. All authorized performance materials are also supplied by MTI. www.mtishows.com



Wharton Community Players in *The Moors*

January 24, 25, 31 & February 1, 2025 at 8:00 p.m.

January 26 & February 2, 2025 at 2:00 p.m.

Wharton Black Box Theater, Berkeley Heights

\$25/Adults, \$20/Students & Seniors

Take a trip back to Victorian England with two sisters and their dog, as they dream about what life can be. The arrival of their new governess takes all of the characters on a path they couldn't have anticipated. Full of feeling and wit, *The Moors* is a riveting dark comedy.

**The Moors* is presented by arrangement with Concord Theatricals on behalf of Samuel French, Inc. www.concordtheatricals.com



Musical Theater Company in

Mean Girls JR.

May 17, 2025 at 3:00 p.m.

& 7:00 p.m.

Wharton Black Box Theater,

Berkeley Heights

\$15/Adults, \$10/Students & Seniors

High School is full of drama and our Company's production of *Mean Girls JR.* is no exception! Join us for a performance of pop theater and pink but leave the burn books at home, please. This performance is already hot enough!

**Mean Girls JR.* is presented through special arrangement with Music Theatre International. All authorized performance materials are also supplied by MTI. www.mtishows.com



Wharton Community Players in *Next to Normal*

June 20 & 21, 2025 at 8:00 p.m.

June 21 & 22, 2025 at 2:00 p.m.

Wharton Black Box Theater, Berkeley Heights

\$25/Adults, \$20/Students & Seniors

Step into a typical suburban household in Wharton Community Players' spring musical production of *Next To Normal*. Winner of three 2009 Tony Awards, including Best Musical Score, this intimate story of an American family is sure to move and inspire.

**Next to Normal* is presented through special arrangement with Music Theatre International. All authorized performance materials are also supplied by MTI. www.mtishows.com



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Support Wharton Arts!

Help empower students of all ages and abilities through accessible, high quality performing arts education that sparks personal growth and builds inclusive communities. **Scan to donate!**

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Helen H. Cha-Pyo, Artistic Director

60 Locust Avenue
Berkeley Heights, NJ 07922

New Jersey Youth Chorus

New Jersey Youth Symphony

Paterson Music Project

Performing Arts School

Visit WhartonArts.org
for tickets and more information

Contact us at (908) 790-0700.

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