

JUNE 2025 | EAGLES THEATRE | WABASH, IN





## ABOUT THE ACADEMY

<u>Honeywell Arts Academy</u> is comprised of three full-scholarship programs for emerging musicians. Led by GRAMMY-winning Artistic Director Ranaan Meyer of the trio Time for Three and world-renowned faculty, each week-long program takes place at Eagles Theatre in Wabash, IN, and culminates in a live performance featuring participants and faculty. Each performance is followed by a meet and greet reception where concert goers can mingle with the artists.

Founded in 2020, the Academy is an expansion of Wabass, a music program established in 2008 for double bassists. The mission of the Academy is to foster an inclusive and supportive environment where ideas are free flowing between all. This creates a revolving door of expertise, a philosophy the Academy refers to as the "sharing of knowledge." The Academy is designed to provide the future generation of musicians the opportunity to learn from one another, push boundaries, and connect with both local and industry communities, with world-renowned faculty to propel their artistry forward and springboard their careers.



## **PROGRAMS**





Resonance scholars are at the intersection of the pristine technical training of classical musicians and cross-genre fluidity, resulting in an indescribable musical experience. Resonance features faculty mentors Pianist Peter Dugan and members of the GRAMMY-winning trio Time for Three - Nicolas Kendall, Charles Yang, and Ranaan Meyer.

PETER DUGAN

NICOLAS KENDALL

**CHARLES YANG** 

**RANAAN MEYER** 

Friday, June 6, at 7:30 p.m. at the Eagles Theatre



Soundboard

Soundboard scholars are international pianists with a focus on standard repertoire. Soundboard is led by faculty mentors Matti Raekaillo and Peter Dugan as they stretch these classically trained musicians' boundaries to include jazz, funk, and more.

MATTI RAEKALLIO

PETER DUGAN

Friday, June 13, at 7:30 p.m. at the Eagles Theatre



Napass

Wabass scholars will dazzle you with the double bass. Faculty mentors Eric Larson, Ranaan Meyer, and Hal Robinson curate a wonderful evening of musicianship and personality.

ERIC LARSON

**RANAAN MEYER** 

HAL ROBINSON

Friday, June 20, at 7:30 p.m. at the <u>Eagles Theatre</u>



## HISTORY



What if
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Ranaan Meyer and double bass colleagues Hal Robinson of the Philadelphia Orchestra and Eric Larson of the Houston Symphony envisioned a weeklong summer camp for double bassists, where their instrument was the focus. While on tour with Time for Three, Ranaan described this idea to an arts advocate and Wabash native, Richard Ford. A week-long program where faculty mentors spend time with fellowship scholars and are accessible tuition-free. In 2008, Meyer founded Wabass, a full-scholarship program for double-bassists.

After an intensive application process, selected scholars traveled to Wabash for collaboration and innovation with Meyer, Robinson, and Larson. The "sharing of knowledge" philosophy was born, which creates a knowledge exchange for anyone open to giving and receiving.

"What if this concept, that's so empowering and so enriching, impacts more than just musicians?" Meyer asks. "What if everybody did listen to each other?"

In 2014, after Ford's passing, Wabass and its philosophy lived on with the stewardship of his legacy through the Honeywell Foundation. The program's success led to its expansion in 2021 as it became Honeywell Arts Academy, expanding the sharing of knowledge with the addition of two more programs: Soundboard for pianists and Resonance for emerging entrepreneurial musicians. The Academy equips scholars with experience and knowledge as they navigate their professional careers. Full-scholarship opportunities for selected scholars are made possible by generous supporters.



## 2025 FELLOWSHIP SCHOLARS

| Resonance                  | SCHOOL                            | AGE |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----|
| Adrianna Sewell            | Montclair State University        | 21  |
| Caitlyn Bogart             | University of Michigan            | 22  |
| Felix Herbst               | Arizona State University          | 28  |
| Maxence Dauriat            | Curtis Institute of Music         | 23  |
| Maya Buchanan              | Curtis Institute of Music         | 25  |
| McKinley Foster            | West Chester University           | 32  |
| Moonmill (Group)           | New York University Abu Dhabi     | 25  |
| Sam Gucwa                  | University of Denver              | 22  |
| The Myriad Project (Group) | University of Michigan            | 32  |
| Soundboard                 |                                   |     |
| Aliya Alsafa               | Stanford University               | 21  |
| Antian Ye                  | New England Conservatory of Music | 24  |
| Chenchun Ma                | Indiana University                | 28  |
| Joshua Mhoon               | The Juilliard School              | 21  |
| Mohan Jia                  | Central Conservatory of Music     | 17  |
| Rowan Sawarna-Small        | Glenn Gould School                | 18  |
| Seonju Jo                  | Pusan National University         | 28  |
| Zange Duan                 | Palm Beach Atlantic University    | 24  |
| Wabass                     |                                   |     |
| Benjamin Merte             | Michigan State University         | 30  |
| Gabriel Sweet              | University of Houston             | 20  |
| Harry Barnett              | Homeschool                        | 18  |
| Hayley Witmore             | Cleveland Institute of Music      | 26  |
| James Perera               | Rice University                   | 24  |
| Joe Weinberg               | The Juilliard School              | 21  |
| Michaella Tufariello       | The Juilliard School              | 21  |
| Peter Savage               | Rice University                   | 24  |
| Vivian Shanley             | Lawrence University               | 20  |
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