

TAOS CHAMBER MUSIC GROUP



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Renewal: A New Classical
at the Harwood Museum of Art

Saturday, October 10, 5:30 pm & Sunday, October 11, 3:30 pm

~Nois Quartet;
Julian Velasco, soprano saxophone
Natalia Warthen, alto saxophone
Jordan Lulloff, tenor saxophone
János Csontos, baritone saxophone

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Musicians

~Nois Quartet

Take your preconceptions of 'noise' and toss them out the window. Equal parts "fiendishly good and fiendishly goofy" (Chicago Tribune), ~Nois Quartet is a "prolific, charismatic young ensemble that is swiftly becoming the American saxophone quartet du jour" (Musical America). Founded in 2016, the Chicago-based ensemble is dedicated to championing new music for saxophone and building community through innovative, inclusive, and exceptional musical experiences.

~Nois has presented over 200 performances and has "continued to legitimize the saxophone quartet as a premier ensemble formation for classical music" (Brutal New Music). Their performances have spanned 28 states, including invitations to perform at some of the top festivals, concert series, and academic institutions in the nation. The ensemble has also been awarded top prizes at numerous prestigious chamber music competitions including the M-Prize International Arts Competition, the Fischhoff National Chamber Music Competition, and was once deemed, "Too loud for the Farmers' Market" (Evanston Local, Illinois 1st Ward Constituent).

At the core of ~Nois' ethos is a fierce dedication to the commissioning of living composers, leading to over 120 world-premieres to date. The members of ~Nois have had the privilege of working closely with some of the world's leading voices in composition to create new works for saxophone quartet, including Jessie Montgomery, Nico Muhly, Shawn Okpebholo, and Augusta Read Thomas. ~Nois has had the honor of sharing the stage with some of today's most prolific ensembles including Third Coast Percussion, Sō Percussion, the Bang on a Can All-Stars, the United States Navy Band, and the Northwestern University Symphonic Wind Ensemble.

~Nois is Julian Velasco (he/him), Natalia Warthen (she/her), Jordan Lulloff (he/him), and János Csontos (he/him). For more information, please visit www.noisquartet.org.

PERFORMERS

~Nois Quartet

PROGRAM

Entr'acte (2011/2025)

Caroline Shaw (arr. ~Nois)(b. 1983)

A Schumann Bouquet (1848/2016)

Robert Schumann (1810-1856)
(arr. William Bolcom, b. 1938)

- I. Lieber Mai*
- II. Knecht Ruprecht*
- III. Sheherazade*
- IV. Laendler*
- V. Sehr langsam*
- VI. Lied italienischer Marinari*

Break Away (2013/2025)

Jessie Montgomery (b. 1981)

- I. Liltng*
- II. Songbird*
- III. Smoke*
- IV. Quick Pass*
- V. Break Away*

Intermission

Eternal Present: Now (2023)

Shelley Washington (b. 1991)

New Work (2025)

Shawn Okpebholo (b. 1981)

To Speak As One (2023)

Bobby Ge (b. 1996)

Ordinary Time (2025)

Nico Muhly (b. 1981)

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