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WHAT: Announcing the 2018 Saint Paul Classical Music Crawl, created and managed by The Baroque Room | Over 15 FREE Mini-Concerts taking place throughout Lowertown all day long Hear virtually the entire Saint Paul classical music scene in one day! FREE 15-minute performances will take place on the hour and half-hour in multiple concert venues and art galleries throughout Lowertown during the Saint Paul Art Crawl. Create your own itinerary of music and art! See www.saintpaulclassical.com for details.

WHEN: Saturday, April 28, 12:00-8:00 P.M.

WHERE: Taking place in Lowertown, Saint Paul in multiple locations along East 4th and Prince Streets during the Saint Paul Art Crawl

ADMISSION IS FREE

WHO: Featuring performances by - Saint Paul Chamber Orchestra, Lumina Women's Ensemble, Bach Society of Minnesota, Renegade Ensemble, Zeitgeist, Chamber Music Society of Minnesota, Twin Cities Lute Cooperative, Minnesota Opera, Skylark Opera Theatre, Nautilus Music-Theater, Eva Beneke (guitar), American Composers Forum, Ladyslipper Ensemble, The Lyra Baroque Orchestra, Mill City String Quartet, and Flying Forms

Venues: The Baroque Room, Studio Z, Black Dog Café, AZ Gallery, Nautilus Music-Theater, and Summer Street Photography

Funded by: Lowertown Future Fund | Individual donors

See attached schedule for venue addresses and group performance times.

In 2015, The Baroque Room presented the first Saint Paul Classical Music Crawl funded by a Saint Paul Knight Arts Challenge grant. We are proud to announce the third Saint Paul Classical Music Crawl, funded by the Lowertown Future Fund and individual donors. Take a look around the [project website](http://www.saintpaulclassical.com), see the mini-concert schedule, and learn about the groups and venues involved. We hope to see you in Lowertown on Saturday, April 28!

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Hear virtually the entire Saint Paul classical music scene in one day!

15-minute performances on the hour and half hour

Each group will perform four times

Learn more at the event website: www.saintpaulclassical.com

Saint Paul's classical music scene is filled with a wide range of dynamic performing groups from symphony orchestra and opera, to baroque orchestra and solo lute, not to mention an abundance of chamber music ensembles and many highly rated professional choirs. At the Saint Paul Classical Music Crawl audiences can hear virtually every one of these groups in just one day!

About the Saint Paul classical music scene:

- Each year, throughout the city, Saint Paul is host to performances by Grammy winners, international competition prizewinners, performers on world tour, multiple-time local and national grant recipients, and leaders in their fields. Some of these performers are guests and others are local.
- There is a long-standing and established early music scene. The world's best baroque musicians perform in Saint Paul every year and the Bach Society of Minnesota was rated as having one of the state's best choirs. There are so many performing ensembles that the Twin Cities Early Music Festival has featured 27 performances in one month - a feat rivaled only by the famous Boston and San Francisco Early Music Festivals.
- Lowertown, besides playing host to the Twin Cities Jazz Festival and Concrete and Grass Music Festival, has nearly 150 classical music performances presented within its boundaries each year. Between The Baroque Room, Studio Z, Nautilus Music-Theater, and the Lowertown Classics series at the Lowertown Lofts Artists Cooperative there is more classical music within two blocks than anywhere in the city except on Saint Peter Street at the Ordway Center for Performing Arts and Landmark Center.
- Contemporary music is at home in Saint Paul with regular commissions and performances of new works by the Minnesota Opera, Saint Paul Chamber Orchestra, Chamber Music Society of Minnesota, Zeitgeist, Minnesota Sinfonia, and more. Plus, the American Composers Forum is located in Saint Paul, bringing national attention, activities, and grants to the city.

Classical music in Saint Paul is not only alive and well - it is flourishing! We are proud of our community and can't wait to share it with you at the Saint Paul Classical Music Crawl!