

## **Pianofest In The Hamptons**

### **Fact Sheet 2017**

**DATES:**      **FIRST SESSION**      – **June 19 – July 18**  
**SECOND SESSION**    – **July 18 - August 15**

**TUITION:** Pianofest provides each of its students with full tuition, room and board and stipend. In addition to scholarship support, this year Pianofest will provide each student with a merit stipend of \$250 at the completion of an uninterrupted four-week stay.

**There are two four-week sessions.** The program is limited to 14 students in residence at any one time.

**AUDITION/APPLICATION ONLINE AND PERFORMANCES BY YOUTUBE OR DROPBOX PERFORMANCE.** Please include at least three selections in contrasting styles (concertos are acceptable) of at least 45 minutes. Or, you may send application materials to:

Pianofest, P. O. Box 639, Hudson, OH 44236 USA.

Include non-refundable Application Fee of \$25.

You may email Mr. Schenly at: [pschenly@gmail.com](mailto:pschenly@gmail.com). Please include your email address in the body of the email.

**DEADLINE:** Pianofest has a rolling deadline, the last day of which is April 1st. Therefore, decisions will be made on an ongoing basis up through April 1st. Application fee: \$25 (non-refundable).

**HOUSING:** Students will be housed in private homes.

**FACULTY:** We will list other faculty as soon as we have finalized arrangements. Guest artists have included Yefim Bronfman, Claude Frank, Richard Goode, Jerome Lowenthal, Awadagin Pratt, Andre Watts, Veda Kaplinsky, Arie Vardi, Daniel Shapiro, Antonio Pompa-Baldi, Sergei Babayan, Melvin Chen, Orion Weiss, Kathryn Brown and Jon O'Conor.

**PRACTICE ROOMS:** The practice house is located in the town of East Hampton. Each practice room contains a new Steinway grand piano. Pianofest arranges drivers and carpools. Students spend most of their time at the practice house and are allowed to practice until 11 p.m. Practice rooms are air-conditioned.

**RECREATION:** Students typically go to the East Hampton or Southampton Village for movies and socializing. The Hamptons are famous for their nightlife. Beaches are in walking distance and are a favorite afternoon break. Other music festivals in the area offer concerts. Pianofest students are regularly invited to parties at the homes of Board Members and other friends.

**CLOTHING:** Comfortable, informal summer clothing for practice; proper concert attire; beach wear and towels; sweatshirt or sweater for occasional cool evenings.

**TRAVEL: FOR THOSE FLYING: Do not fly into Newark, New Jersey, as there is no easy public transportation to the Hamptons.**

**FROM KENNEDY OR LA GUARDIA AIRPORTS:**

Take a cab ride from the airport to the Hampton Jitney bus stop, and then take the Jitney bus to East Hampton, where we will pick you up.

You need to make a reservation in advance to use the Hampton Jitney. Here is a link to their website. You could call them, or make it online.

<http://reservations.hamptonjitney.com/SouthFork/SFdefault.asp>

From the airport to the Jitney bus, sometimes the cab driver needs to know exactly where the airport connection (Hampton Jitney) bus stop is, so PLEASE PRINT OUT the following directions and have them on you. Please also tell the Taxi Dispatcher where you are going so he can make sure the driver understands. The fare is about \$45 for the taxi, and \$30 for the Jitney Bus.

**DIRECTIONS FOR THE CAB DRIVER TO PRINT OUT - from airport to the Hampton Jitney bus stop:**

Airport connection passengers should take a cab from Kennedy or LaGuardia to our Queens Airport Connection stop in Fresh Meadows, Queens. This stop is located at the corner of 190th Street and the Eastbound Service Road of the L.I.E. (Take L.I.E. to Exit

25 eastbound, follow the service road to the front of the Fresh Meadows Cineplex Odeon Movie Theatre).

Allow 15 to 20 minutes from La Guardia

Allow 25 to 30 minutes from Kennedy

The bus is about a two-hour ride to East Hampton.

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If you are flying into La Guardia, there is a cheaper way (which may not suit your schedule), as explained at the very bottom of these instructions.

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**FOR THOSE TAKING THE TRAIN - IF YOU ARE COMING FROM**

**MANHATTAN**, you can take the Long Island Railroad (LIRR) from Penn Station in Manhattan. You get off at East Hampton. The link to their website is:

<http://lIRR42.mta.info/>

No reservations required. Phone 718-217-LIRR for schedule or check their website. Try not to miss the train, because it may be several hours before another train to East Hampton leaves. Also, you will need to make a brief change of trains (adjacent track) about 20 minutes after you leave Penn Station, probably in Jamaica Station.

**Please read the schedule carefully, as it is different for specific days and weekends.**

Usually there are only 4 trains a day leaving Penn Station.

**(An updated schedule for 2017 will be posted when available.)**

We will pick you up at the East Hampton station. Again, be prepared to change trains on the way to East Hampton.

**FOR THOSE TAKING THE HAMPTON JITTERY -** You need to make a reservation in advance to use the Hampton Jittery. Here is a link to their website. You could call them at (212) 362-8400 or make a reservation online.

<http://reservations.hamptonjittery.com/SouthFork/SFdefault.asp>

The address of the house, in case you have to take a local taxi is 118 Pantigo Road, East Hampton (it is across the street from Hildreth's Department store). It is a short ride. It is a large Brown Victorian House and has a porch and a long driveway/parking area.

**ALTERNATE WAY TO PIANOFEST FROM LA GUARDIA AIRPORT:**

This is the other cheaper way to get from Kennedy Airport, but only if your schedule works with the Long Island Railroad leaving from Jamaica Station. From Kennedy Airport, take the Air Train (\$5.00) to Jamaica Station. From there (Jamaica Station), if the timing is right, take a train to East Hampton. From Jamaica station the trains for East Hampton leave at:

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Allow about an hour (after you have your luggage and get through customs) to get on the Air Train and go to Jamaica. The Air Train only leaves from Kennedy Airport.

Schedules may change, so go on the web to check the Long Island Railroad timetable.