

**Saturday August 13th 1-7 pm**  
**Sunday August 14th 1-9 pm**

*Chicago's only classical music street fest*

**THIRSTY**  
**ears**  
**2022** 

Access Contemporary Music has been bringing ground-breaking, innovative programming to audiences for over a decade. With a focus on introducing new audiences to bold modern music in uniquely approachable settings, ACM makes creativity the norm at this all-classical music festival.

Thirsty Ears is Chicago's only classical music street festival and it features two days of stellar ensembles and soloists, craft beer from Empirical Brewing, vendor booths, food trucks and family-friendly activities that expose kids to music in a fun and meaningful way. Attended by 5,000 people over the course of two days, with room to grow to 8,000, Thirsty Ears appeals to newcomers and classical buffs alike.

## Press

"It doesn't happen often enough..." Howard Reich, Chicago Tribune

"The first and only Chicago street fair celebrating classical music." Rick Kogan, Chicago Tribune

"A new music festival eschews the party bands and tribute acts of typical summer affairs in favor of classical music... That's music to our ears." Rebecca Palmore, WTTW

## Location

Wilson Avenue between Hermitage and Ravenswood.



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# a new way to be a part of the festival

## Composer Scavenger Hunt

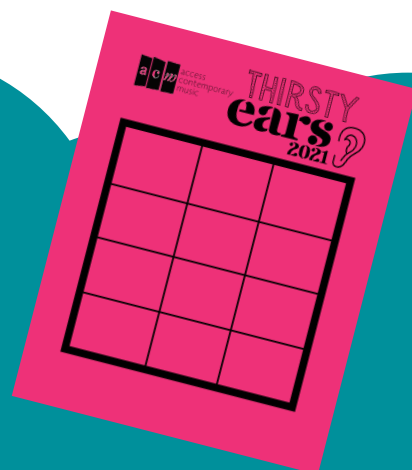
- Each vendor booth will have a unique QR code for guests to scan.
- The code will take the to a webpage that features:
  - Information about a living composer
  - A discount code for a local business
- Each booth will also have a unique composer stamp. Festival-goers can get their card stamped at each booth.
- When they fill their cards with each unique stamp, they can turn in the card to be entered into a raffle for prizes from local businesses.

## how can you participate?

Let us know what kind of discount you want to offer festival-goers.

Donate an item or gift certificate to the raffle.

All we need from there is your logo and **TA-DA**, you're officially a part of the Thirsty Ears Festival!



# Sample Page

The QR code will take festival-goers to a page like this that corresponds with a different living composer and includes a discount for a local business.

This is classical music.



Jennifer Higdon

Jennifer Higdon is one of America's most acclaimed and most frequently performed living composers. She has is a major figure in contemporary Classical music, receiving the 2010 Pulitzer Prize in Music for her Violin Concerto, a 2010 Grammy for her Percussion Concerto and a 2018 Grammy for her Viola Concerto, and a 2020 Grammy for her Harp Concerto. Most recently, Higdon received the Nemmers Prize from Northwestern University, given to contemporary classical composers of exceptional achievement who have significantly influenced the field of composition. Higdon enjoys several hundred performances a year of her works, and blue cathedral is today's most performed contemporary orchestral works, with more than 650 performances worldwide. Her works have been recorded on more than sixty CDs, and her Percussion Concerto recording was recently inducted into the Library of Congress National Recording Registry. Higdon's first opera, Cold Mountain, won the prestigious International Opera Award for Best World Premiere. Dr. Higdon holds the Rock Chair in Composition at The Curtis Institute of Music in Philadelphia.

A promotional graphic enclosed in a dashed pink border. It features a pink fork on the left, a large pink circle in the center with "Delia's Diner" written in script, and a pink spoon on the right. To the left of the fork is the text "THIRSTY ears 2022" with a small ear icon. To the right of the spoon is the text "\$5 off" with a small asterisk and "dine in only one per table" below it. At the bottom right is the text "DISCOUNT CODE: thirstydelia". At the bottom center is the text "expires 8/30/2022".

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