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**TOP EMERGING ARTISTS KICK OFF YEAR WITH
2021 NATIONAL YOUNGARTS WEEK +**

**Next Generation of Artists to Share their work with the Public
Streaming Every Night January 25–30 at 8 PM ET on youngarts.org**

WHAT From Monday, January 25 to Saturday, January 30, 2021 audiences will have the opportunity to discover the next generation of great artists through performances and presentations by winners in Voice, Dance, Film, Jazz, Theater, Classical Music, Design Arts, Photography, Visual Arts, and Writing.

Typically presented at New World Center and the YoungArts Campus in Miami, the 2021 National YoungArts Week program will be presented for free online.

Throughout the week, YoungArts will screen *Together, a short film*, a new animated film commissioned to help raise funds to support artists across the country. For more information, please visit the [Together Campaign page](#).

WHO The 142 artists showcased throughout the week are all 2021 YoungArts award winners at the Finalist level, the organization's highest honor, and were selected for their caliber of artistic achievement by esteemed-discipline specific panels of artists through a rigorous blind adjudication process. From January 3–9, the artists participated in an intensive program of online classes and workshops with internationally recognized leaders in their fields, during which they recorded and developed their work for National YoungArts Week +. For a complete list of YoungArts Finalists, please contact Heike Dempster, hdempster@youngarts.org or Sara Ory, sara.ory@finnpartners.com.

**WHEN &
WHERE** **National YoungArts Week + Virtual Public Performance Presentations
January 25–January 30, 2021**

All events will stream from youngarts.org. RSVP [here](#).

Monday, January 25, 2021

8:00 PM ET

***National YoungArts Week + Celebration hosted by Josh Groban,
Voice Performance and the premiere of [Together, a short film](#)***

Tuesday, January 26, 2021

8:00 PM ET

Jazz Concert and Theater Performance**

Wednesday, January 27, 2021

8:00 PM ET

Dance Performance and Film Screenings**

Thursday, January 28, 2021

8:00 PM ET

Classical Music Performance

Friday, January 29, 2021

8:00 PM ET

***Design, Photography and Visual Arts Exhibition Opening curated by Jasmine
Wahi*****

Saturday, January 30, 2021

8:00 PM ET

Writers' Readings**

**All ages are welcome to YoungArts performances and exhibitions, but please be aware that performances may include adult language and topics.

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INFO:**

Produced by National YoungArts Foundation (YoungArts), all public programs are part of National YoungArts Week +, the organization's signature program offering the most accomplished 15–18-year-old (or in grades 10–12) artists the opportunity to participate in a week long virtual program of workshops and panels, opportunities for interdisciplinary collaboration, project-based assignments and classes with renown guest artists in their fields who will provide insight, coaching and mentorship throughout the week. Guest artists for National YoungArts Week + include acclaimed visual artists **Zoë Buckman**, **Titus Kaphar** and **Hank Willis Thomas**; Andrew Carnegie Medal for Excellence in Fiction recipient and bestselling author **Edwidge Danticat**; Grammy Award-winning vocalist and songwriter **Lisa Fischer**; Grammy and Tony Award nominee and Broadway actor **Michael McElroy***; principal clarinetist of the New York Philharmonic **Anthony McGill**; editor at large for special projects at TIME and photographer **Paul Moakley**; Grammy Award-winning film composer **Nora Kroll Rosenbaum***; influential graphic designer **Paula Scher**; and Emmy and Grammy award-winning audio engineer **Patrick Smith**. [Click here for the full list of guest artist bios.](#)

Typically, an all-expenses paid in-person program, National YoungArts Week + has transitioned to be virtual and YoungArts has worked to ensure there are no barriers to participation during the week.

Following the weeklong intensive program, audiences across the country will have the opportunity to meet the next generation of artists beginning **Monday, January 25 at 8 PM ET through six nights of free virtual public performances, writers' readings and an exhibition**, and through a **digital anthology and catalogue** available on youngarts.org.

Support for the 2020–21 YoungArts season is provided by Together campaign supporters, including Campaign Chairs Sarah Arison and Thomas Wilhelm, Jay Franke and David Herro, and Michi and Charles Jigarjian and Lead Sponsors Sandra and Tony Tamer. Additional support for National YoungArts Foundation programs is provided by 7G Foundation; Aon; Madeleine and Micky Arison; Batchelor Foundation; David Dechman and Michel Mercure; the State of Florida, Department of State, Division of Cultural Affairs and the Florida Council on Arts and Culture; Final Draft; Funding Arts Network; the City of Miami Beach, Cultural Affairs Program, and the Cultural Arts Council; Miami-Dade County Department of Cultural Affairs and the Cultural Affairs Council, the Miami-Dade County Mayor and Board of County Commissioners; Northern Trust; The Related Group; Dr. Sidney Stern in loving memory of Florence Stern; Bruce and Ellie Taub; Trace 3; and Wells Fargo. Special thanks to National YoungArts Week+ media partners Cultured Magazine, Dance Media and JAZZed Magazine.

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ABOUT NATIONAL YOUNGARTS FOUNDATION

National YoungArts Foundation (YoungArts) was established in 1981 by Lin and Ted Arison. YoungArts identifies the most accomplished young artists in the visual, literary and performing arts, and provides them with creative and professional development opportunities throughout their careers. youngarts.org

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