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## **Peninsula Music Festival Announces 2019 Scholarship Winner**

The Peninsula Music Festival has selected Washington Island native Jonathan Bass, a recent graduate of Interlochen Arts Academy in Michigan, as the recipient of their 2019 College Scholarship Award. Bass will be attending the Conservatory of Music at Lawrence University this Fall, where he will be working on a B.M. in piano performance, and pursuing a second major at the University in either English or Math.

Each year the Peninsula Music Festival awards a \$3,000 scholarship to a graduating senior who desires to further his or her education in music. The recipient must be an outstanding music student, who has demonstrated his or her ability as a performer, and has shown a sustained interest in music-related activities. To receive the funds, the student must successfully complete a major or minor in music at the conclusion of their undergraduate studies.

Applicants must write an essay outlining his or her qualifications, including accomplishments in music, future plans, academic achievements, high school transcripts, and any other information they feel is appropriate for the Committee to be aware of. Letters of recommendation must be submitted from a music professional, and from the student's High School principal. The Education Outreach Committee of the Board of Directors then reviews the applications and selects a recipient. The Peninsula Music Festival Scholarship is awarded for three years beginning with the sophomore year, and continuing through the senior year. The recipient must send an annual update on the progress and activities surrounding their studies, plus proof of continuing registration as a music student.

"The committee was extremely impressed with Jonathan's essay, the multitude of his accomplishments, and clear dedication to his musical studies," said PMF Executive Director Christoph Ptack. "Jonathan is a focused young man who continues to push himself to grow as a musician, which will ultimately bring him that much closer to the goals he's setting for himself."

The Peninsula Music Festival will honor Jonathan at the concert on Thursday, August 8, 2019 with his family in attendance.

In addition to the annual college scholarship, the Peninsula Music Festival's education outreach programs include Summer Music Awards, Internships, the Karen Smuda Emerging Conductor Program, and the \$10 Student Ticket Program sponsored in part by Nicolet National Bank.

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PMF's upcoming *Symphony Series* features the 65-member Festival Orchestra, whose membership represents leading Symphony and Opera Orchestras from around the world including Toronto, Montreal, Boston, St. Louis, Pittsburgh, Omaha, Milwaukee, Houston Grand Opera, The Dallas Opera, and Lyric Opera of Chicago. This world-class Orchestra will present nine different performances at the Door Community Auditorium in Fish Creek, so get your tickets now! The 67<sup>th</sup> Season runs August 6-24 with concerts every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 7:30 pm. Tickets start at \$35, and seating is reserved. Student/Children are just \$10. Tickets can be purchased at the Festival's Offices of Administration & Ticketing Services located at 10347 N. Water Street Suite B in North Ephraim; on line at [www.musicfestival.com](http://www.musicfestival.com) or by calling 920-854-4060.



Jonathan Bass, pianist

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