



## Arts Institute

UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-MADISON

The University of Wisconsin–Madison Arts Institute announces the 16th annual Madison Early Music Festival and Workshop (MEMF). MEMF 2015 will run July 11 through July 18. Our theme is **Slavic Discoveries: Early Music from Eastern Europe**. In addition to a 7-event Festival Concert Series, lectures and workshops will provide opportunities to learn and practice instrumental and vocal skills, become familiar with historical performance practices and repertoire, learn about the featured music through the lenses of history and culture, and perform with other participants and faculty artists.

The 2015 Madison Early Music Festival will take you on an exciting exploration of the elusive and exquisite early music from Eastern Europe and Eurasia. Experience the rich cultural and musical history of this region – from the early Russian Orthodox traditions, the Bohemian Crown Lands, the Polish Renaissance world of Copernicus, to the ancient lands of the Balkans and Armenia. The week will be packed with rarely heard music performed by our concert series scholar-artists who have uncovered, studied, and recreated these rich traditions, and fascinating lectures providing historical, social, and cultural context. Our MEMF faculty will lead more in-depth exploration of this splendid music and provide stylistic performance guidance and coaching in classes throughout the week.

*MEMF 2015 Concert Series Schedule:*

Saturday, July 11, 2015

**The Rose Ensemble**

Slavic Wonders: Feast and Saints in Early Russia, Bohemia and Poland

Sunday, July 12, 2015

**East of the River**

Levantera

Tuesday, July 14, 2015

**Piffaro: A Renaissance Band**

The Slavic Connection: West meets East and East meets West

Friday, July 17, 2015

**Ensemble Peregrina**

Filia Praeclara: Music from Polish Clarissen Cloisters (13th & 14th c.)

The Madison Early Music Festival is a program of the UW-Madison Division of Continuing Studies, presented in partnership with the UW-Madison School of Music and the UW-Madison Arts Institute.

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