



**Middlebury Performing Arts Series  
Live Chat October 9, 2020**

09 Oct, 2020 06:15:44 PM - Mahaney Arts Center - "Welcome! I'm Allison, Middlebury's Performing Arts Series Director, and I'm thrilled you've joined us this evening! "

09 Oct, 2020 07:18:47 PM - Gabrielle Martin - "Hello friends! My name is Gabrielle and I will be your virtual house manager this evening. Please feel free to ask me any questions!"

09 Oct, 2020 07:19:10 PM - Dan Frostman - "Hi all. Thanks for watching and listening!"

09 Oct, 2020 07:19:19 PM - Gabrielle Martin - "Here is the link the program:<https://sites.middlebury.edu/middpas/files/2020/10/Shifrin-reg-Prgm.pdf>"

09 Oct, 2020 07:19:31 PM - Dylan Healy - "Welcome everyone! My name is Dylan Healy and I am the Performing Arts Series Intern! Our lovely opening act is Oboist Dan Frostman, the Library Manager and Affiliate Artist in Music!"

09 Oct, 2020 07:19:50 PM - Gabrielle Martin - "And here is the link to the large print program: <https://sites.middlebury.edu/middpas/files/2020/10/Shifrin-LARGE-Prgm.pdf>"

09 Oct, 2020 07:20:39 PM - Mahaney Arts Center - "Apologies for the freezing video. Our streaming service is reporting an unstable connection. We're working on it!"

09 Oct, 2020 07:22:34 PM - Dylan Healy - "Thank you, Dan for joining us! "

09 Oct, 2020 07:23:01 PM - Dylan Healy - "How long have you been playing the oboe?"

09 Oct, 2020 07:23:03 PM - Dan Frostman - "My pleasure!"

09 Oct, 2020 07:23:15 PM - Dan Frostman - "Oh boy...since 8th grade, so..."

09 Oct, 2020 07:23:30 PM - Dan Frostman - "29 years!"

09 Oct, 2020 07:24:16 PM - Dylan Healy - "That's amazing! What drew you to the oboe? "

09 Oct, 2020 07:24:38 PM - Dan Frostman - "Peter and the Wolf. I wanted to play that duck solo. And In those 29 years I have never performed it!"

09 Oct, 2020 07:25:50 PM - Mahaney Arts Center - "Apologies again -- Dan really does an extraordinary job! You can always go back and review the original on our digital stages page.  
[go.middlebury.edu/digitalstages/](http://go.middlebury.edu/digitalstages/)"

09 Oct, 2020 07:27:32 PM - Malinda & Glen Chapman - "Do you make your own reeds?"

09 Oct, 2020 07:27:50 PM - Dan Frostman - "I do! Much cheaper than buying them and more control over the sound you get."

09 Oct, 2020 07:28:47 PM - Malinda & Glen Chapman - "Why is that on the sound control?"

09 Oct, 2020 07:29:54 PM - Sara cardwell - "Thank You Dylan for providing us with this opportunity!"

09 Oct, 2020 07:30:02 PM - Dan Frostman - "When you're doing your own scraping, you learn just how to make them to get the sound you want. You can get the similar results on premade reeds, but you get even more control if you do the whole process yourself."

09 Oct, 2020 07:30:35 PM - Shannon Bohler - "Welcome and hello! I'm Shannon, the Arts Events Manager at the MAC! "

09 Oct, 2020 07:30:55 PM - Shannon Bohler - "I've just spoken to David and he is standing by!"

09 Oct, 2020 07:31:30 PM - Dylan Healy - "Is it particularly difficult to make your own reeds?"

09 Oct, 2020 07:32:19 PM - Liza Sacheli - "Dan, I am so impressed-- I've always known you as a librarian first and foremost-- I never knew your playing is so beautiful! Bravo."

09 Oct, 2020 07:32:28 PM - Dan Frostman - "It's a long process to learn, and I would say it probably took me ten years of practice before I could rely entirely on myself for my reeds. In college, as much time was spent practicing reed making as was spent practicing oboe!"

09 Oct, 2020 07:32:46 PM - Dan Frostman - "But now I could make something start to finish to play on in under an hour if I had to."

09 Oct, 2020 07:32:58 PM - Dan Frostman - "Thank you, Liza!"

09 Oct, 2020 07:34:14 PM - Chantelle Friedman - "Dan, you sound even more beautiful than when we were at Hartt together. Bravo, my friend! "

09 Oct, 2020 07:34:36 PM - Dan Frostman - "Chantelle! Thank you for listening! That means so much!"

09 Oct, 2020 07:35:29 PM - Dan Frostman - "(And I'm relieved to hear that I have improved in the years since we were there and not the other way around!)"

09 Oct, 2020 07:35:41 PM - David Shifrin - "What I can hear sounds wonderful!"

09 Oct, 2020 07:36:00 PM - Dan Frostman - "Thanks, David! I hope you are better at streaming than I am!"

09 Oct, 2020 07:36:13 PM - Dan Frostman - "\*than"

09 Oct, 2020 07:36:15 PM - David Shifrin - "I am concerned about the internet transmission though, because the screen and sound keep freezing."

09 Oct, 2020 07:36:19 PM - Louise Frankenberg - "alas, it won't stream for me"

09 Oct, 2020 07:36:36 PM - Dan Frostman - "I hear it is available here:  
<http://go.middlebury.edu/digitalstages/>"

09 Oct, 2020 07:36:53 PM - David Shifrin - "I will check the original link later to hear the entire performance!"

09 Oct, 2020 07:37:11 PM - Mahaney Arts Center - "Our apologies folks. There appears to be some internet stability issues here, so I'm going to send you to our safety "back up" recording."

09 Oct, 2020 07:37:11 PM - Dan Frostman - "And I will do the same!"

09 Oct, 2020 07:37:42 PM - Mahaney Arts Center - "The link it at <http://go.middlebury.edu/digitalstages/>, and just click on David Shifrin"

09 Oct, 2020 07:37:57 PM - David Shifrin - "OK-"

09 Oct, 2020 07:38:03 PM - David Shifrin - "I'm going there"

09 Oct, 2020 07:38:09 PM - Mahaney Arts Center - "I will try to keep this chat window open here even though we're ending the actual stream."

09 Oct, 2020 07:38:17 PM - Shannon Bohler - "Thank you Allison! "

09 Oct, 2020 07:38:27 PM - Dylan Healy - "Thank you Allison!"

09 Oct, 2020 07:38:28 PM - Shannon Bohler - "I will be here in the chat"

09 Oct, 2020 07:38:31 PM - Mahaney Arts Center - "To jump right into David's performance, I suggest fast forwarding to the 16:00 mark or so."

09 Oct, 2020 07:39:12 PM - Dan Frostman - "Thanks for listening, all! Fun to chat with you."

09 Oct, 2020 07:39:21 PM - Dylan Healy - "Thank you Dan!"

09 Oct, 2020 07:39:34 PM - Dan Frostman - "You're welcome!"

09 Oct, 2020 07:39:47 PM - David Shifrin - "Hello, Standing by"

09 Oct, 2020 07:40:01 PM - Dan Frostman - "Knock 'em dead, David!"

09 Oct, 2020 07:40:03 PM - Mahaney Arts Center - "Dan, I'm so sorry your stream was interrupted but you are part of the back up recording."

09 Oct, 2020 07:40:15 PM - Dan Frostman - "Yep, thanks."

09 Oct, 2020 07:40:46 PM - Gabrielle Martin - "Just a reminder, here is the link to the program:  
<https://sites.middlebury.edu/middpas/files/2020/10/Shifrin-reg-Prgm.pdf>"

09 Oct, 2020 07:40:59 PM - Shannon Bohler - "Allison's elegant intro 🙄"

09 Oct, 2020 07:41:13 PM - David Shifrin - "Sorry, I'm not able to fast forward"

09 Oct, 2020 07:41:20 PM - Gabrielle Martin - "And here is the link to the large print program:  
<https://sites.middlebury.edu/middpas/files/2020/10/Shifrin-LARGE-Prgm.pdf>"

09 Oct, 2020 07:41:55 PM - Shannon Bohler - "David, there should be a bar at the bottom of the window with a time bar?"

09 Oct, 2020 07:42:06 PM - Dylan Healy - "Welcome David! Thank you for joining us in the chat! "

09 Oct, 2020 07:42:07 PM - David Shifrin - "video is frozen with an very nice still of Dan playing the oboe"

09 Oct, 2020 07:42:41 PM - David Shifrin - "I'm happy to join you. Are you able to hear the concert?"

09 Oct, 2020 07:43:06 PM - Shannon Bohler - "Yes! we are listening to David and Wu Han's intro right now!"

09 Oct, 2020 07:43:12 PM - Dylan Healy - "Yes, on the digital stages link, separate than this one "

09 Oct, 2020 07:43:18 PM - Shannon Bohler - "<https://www.middlebury.edu/college/arts/digital-stages>"

09 Oct, 2020 07:43:41 PM - Mahaney Arts Center - "Thanks for joining us David. Our stream has some instability, so we're watching it on our back up stream to <http://go.middlebury.edu/digitalstages>, and you can jump forward there."

09 Oct, 2020 07:44:52 PM - Shannon Bohler - "We are watching your introduction now David!"

09 Oct, 2020 07:45:10 PM - David Shifrin - "Got it!"

09 Oct, 2020 07:45:24 PM - Shannon Bohler - "Fantastic!"

09 Oct, 2020 07:46:25 PM - Mahaney Arts Center - "Shannon, where should we jump to in the digitalstages stream to all be together..."

09 Oct, 2020 07:46:48 PM - Shannon Bohler - "I'm at 23:00"

09 Oct, 2020 07:46:55 PM - Shannon Bohler - "23 minutes in!"

09 Oct, 2020 07:47:08 PM - Dylan Healy - "I'm at that time as well!"

09 Oct, 2020 07:47:11 PM - David Dodge - "Do yo have to reregister to view at the backup stream?"

09 Oct, 2020 07:47:23 PM - David Shifrin - "OK Im there"

09 Oct, 2020 07:47:42 PM - Shannon Bohler - "I don't believe so Mr. Dodge, just click the play button!"

09 Oct, 2020 07:48:02 PM - Mahaney Arts Center - "No, you can just click the thumbnail of David to join us! <http://go.middlebury.edu/digitalstages/> and we're currently at the 24 minute mark."

09 Oct, 2020 07:49:47 PM - Mahaney Arts Center - "David, your dog is a great collaborative artist!"

09 Oct, 2020 07:50:58 PM - David Shifrin - "he's really a mezzo singing a coloratura aria"

09 Oct, 2020 07:51:23 PM - Mahaney Arts Center - "❤️❤�"

09 Oct, 2020 07:51:50 PM - Dylan Healy - "This is Quintet in A major for Clarinet, Two Violins, Viola, and Cello, K. 581 by Mozart! "

09 Oct, 2020 07:51:54 PM - Dylan Healy - "One of my favorites!"

09 Oct, 2020 07:52:02 PM - David Shifrin - "me too!"

09 Oct, 2020 07:53:54 PM - Shannon Bohler - "If anyone has any questions for David, please feel free to ask!"

09 Oct, 2020 07:54:44 PM - Mahaney Arts Center - "It is lovely to see Bella Hristova playing with you. She is a frequent collaborator with the Lake Champlain Chamber Music Festival up the road."

09 Oct, 2020 07:55:11 PM - David Shifrin - "Bella is a wonderful artist and colleague"

09 Oct, 2020 07:56:39 PM - David Shifrin - "I too have enjoyed performing at Lake Champlain Chamber Music Festival up the road a number of times!"

09 Oct, 2020 07:57:58 PM - Dylan Healy - "David, what is your favorite genre to play? "

09 Oct, 2020 07:59:07 PM - David Shifrin - "The five of us toured to several cities with the Mozart Quintet culminating in this Lincoln Center performance. It was inspiring to work with these amazing youngstersg "

09 Oct, 2020 07:59:48 PM - David Shifrin - "My favorite Genre is whatever I am performing- which is very often Mozart!"

09 Oct, 2020 08:00:16 PM - David Shifrin - "At least the goal is to make whatever I'm performing my favorite at that moment"

09 Oct, 2020 08:00:56 PM - Dylan Healy - "I love it! "

09 Oct, 2020 08:03:25 PM - Shannon Bohler - "It's just so ethereal sounding"

09 Oct, 2020 08:03:55 PM - Shannon Bohler - "bad grammar, but hopefully you know what I mean!"

09 Oct, 2020 08:04:32 PM - Mahaney Arts Center - "If you are just tuning it, we've moved to a back up stream at <http://go.middlebury.edu/digitalstages/> and are around the 40 minutes mark. You do not need to register to view this stream--just click play on the thumbnail."

09 Oct, 2020 08:05:09 PM - David Shifrin - "OK-"

09 Oct, 2020 08:06:34 PM - David Shifrin - "Confession: this is really my favorite genre: Specifically, this movement of this piece"

09 Oct, 2020 08:07:06 PM - Dylan Healy - "It is SO beautiful "

09 Oct, 2020 08:07:07 PM - Mahaney Arts Center - "There is a wonderful sense of communication and collaboration in this ensemble."

09 Oct, 2020 08:10:50 PM - David Shifrin - "Danbi is a very special violinist!!"

09 Oct, 2020 08:11:15 PM - David Shifrin - "We all enjoyed the rehearsals as much as the concerts!"

09 Oct, 2020 08:11:23 PM - Mahaney Arts Center - "Typically how much rehearsal time do you get together before a CMS recital?"

09 Oct, 2020 08:12:45 PM - David Shifrin - "It depends on the repertoire. In this case four days. We then played concerts in 6 or 7 cities before this performance, which really helps to get to know one another musically (and personally)"

09 Oct, 2020 08:13:37 PM - Dylan Healy - "Does it help to know one another on a personal level?"

09 Oct, 2020 08:14:12 PM - David Shifrin - "Dmitri makes this cello solo sound easy (IT'S NOT)"

09 Oct, 2020 08:15:21 PM - David Shifrin - "Knowing each other a bit helps build respect and trust-essentials of chamber music collaboration"

09 Oct, 2020 08:18:55 PM - David Shifrin - "I think Mozart played this viola solo with his friends"

09 Oct, 2020 08:19:29 PM - David Shifrin - "viola was his preferred instrument to play in chamber music"

09 Oct, 2020 08:20:40 PM - Dylan Healy - "Wow that's such an interesting fact! I want to learn how to play the viola, such a unique timbre!"

09 Oct, 2020 08:21:09 PM - Mahaney Arts Center - "And as a horn player...I have shared many a great line with the violas."

09 Oct, 2020 08:22:05 PM - Mahaney Arts Center - "I would like to thank everyone for bearing with us this evening. You can't see it on this back-up stream, but but there are actually 113 people tuned in right now. We appreciate your patience and support!"

09 Oct, 2020 08:22:52 PM - David Shifrin - "indeed! Mozart made two versions of his c minor Serenade-as a wind octet and as a string quintet. Many of the horn parts from the wind version were given to viola(s) in the string version."

09 Oct, 2020 08:23:36 PM - David Shifrin - "This is opera!"

09 Oct, 2020 08:25:01 PM - Dylan Healy - "Amazing! Bravo!"

09 Oct, 2020 08:25:07 PM - Mahaney Arts Center - "👏👏👏👏👏"

09 Oct, 2020 08:25:11 PM - Shannon Bohler - "👏👏👏"

09 Oct, 2020 08:25:32 PM - David Shifrin - "thanks!"

09 Oct, 2020 08:26:25 PM - Mahaney Arts Center - "MiddPAS Trivia: David Finckel has performed on our series more than any other artist...over 35 times!"

09 Oct, 2020 08:26:33 PM - David Shifrin - "wow"

09 Oct, 2020 08:26:44 PM - Dylan Healy - "The next piece is Concert Fantasia on Themes from Verdi's Rigoletto for Clarinet and Piano by Bassi"

09 Oct, 2020 08:26:55 PM - Gregory - "Whoa, I'm seeing circular breathing in the Bassi! That always makes me nervous to watch."

09 Oct, 2020 08:27:26 PM - Mahaney Arts Center - "David Finckel has deep roots in Addison County as his parents used to own the Point CounterPoint Music camp down the road at Lake Dunmore."

09 Oct, 2020 08:29:03 PM - Mahaney Arts Center - "Gorgeous camera work of our embouchure and fingering work! "

09 Oct, 2020 08:29:47 PM - Dylan Healy - "As a senior music major, how did you start out your career? Did you go to conservatory? "

09 Oct, 2020 08:31:35 PM - David Shifrin - "Two arts high schools (performing Arts HS in NYC and Interlochen Arts Academy in Mich. then and the Curtis Institute in Philadelphia."

09 Oct, 2020 08:32:53 PM - Mahaney Arts Center - "What a beautiful clarinet, David. Do you mind telling us a little about it?"

09 Oct, 2020 08:35:26 PM - David Shifrin - "My clarinet is made by Morrie Backun in Vancouver, Canada from Mexican cocobola wood. It is of a similar density to grenadilla wood , darker in color and most commonly associated with clarinet. I like the timbre I can get with the cocobola."

09 Oct, 2020 08:37:38 PM - David Shifrin - "that is the cocobola is the lighter colored wood, which darkens with age. "

09 Oct, 2020 08:40:10 PM - Shannon Bohler - "👏👏👏"

09 Oct, 2020 08:40:48 PM - Dylan Healy - "Bravo!!!"

09 Oct, 2020 08:40:50 PM - Mahaney Arts Center - "Bravo!"

09 Oct, 2020 08:41:06 PM - David Shifrin - "lots of fun"

09 Oct, 2020 08:42:38 PM - Mahaney Arts Center - "More MiddPAS trivia: Duke Ellington appeared on out series on February 1960--even making an appearance at Winter Carnival!"

09 Oct, 2020 08:43:23 PM - Mahaney Arts Center - "Those are some flyin' fingers, David! "

09 Oct, 2020 08:43:31 PM - Gregory - "I thought the Ellington piece might be based on his song "Never No Lament," but I didn't hear that at all."

09 Oct, 2020 08:44:01 PM - Dylan Healy - "Wow I love this! "

09 Oct, 2020 08:44:07 PM - David Shifrin - "also called Barney's Concerto for the great clarinetist Barney Bigard"

09 Oct, 2020 08:44:16 PM - Shannon Bohler - "Bravo!!!"

09 Oct, 2020 08:44:49 PM - David Shifrin - "Great arrangement by David Schiff in Oortland OR"

09 Oct, 2020 08:44:54 PM - David Shifrin - "Portland"

09 Oct, 2020 08:44:55 PM - Mahaney Arts Center - "Bravo!!! 🍌🍌🍌🍌🍌"

09 Oct, 2020 08:45:01 PM - David Shifrin - "many thanks"

09 Oct, 2020 08:45:24 PM - Dylan Healy - "So amazong! Bravo!"

09 Oct, 2020 08:45:24 PM - David Shifrin - "Thank you Middlebury!!!!!!!!!"

09 Oct, 2020 08:45:43 PM - Mahaney Arts Center - "Thank YOU David -- it was an exceptional and inspired recital!"

09 Oct, 2020 08:46:04 PM - Gregory - "Tremendous concert. Thank you."

09 Oct, 2020 08:46:29 PM - David Shifrin - "thank you Such an opportunity to play great music with amazing colleagues"

09 Oct, 2020 08:55:25 PM - Louise Frankenberg - "Watched it on the digital-stages site - wonderful!"

09 Oct, 2020 08:55:48 PM - David Shifrin - "So glad it came through!"

09 Oct, 2020 08:56:22 PM - Shannon Bohler - "So happy you found it Louise!"

09 Oct, 2020 08:59:01 PM - Mahaney Arts Center - "Indeed! Thanks, Louise!"

09 Oct, 2020 09:05:37 PM - Gabrielle Martin - "Thank you all for stopping by tonight for this beautiful and energetic performance! We hope to see you all soon!"

09 Oct, 2020 09:06:06 PM - Dylan Healy - "Wow thank you so much David, for all your insights and taking time to chat with us!"

09 Oct, 2020 09:06:17 PM - David Shifrin - "Thank you so much for including this program on your series!!"

09 Oct, 2020 09:06:20 PM - Shannon Bohler - "Thanks so much David and everyone who watched!"

09 Oct, 2020 09:06:41 PM - Mahaney Arts Center - "Middlebury is presenting these is a different order, so next week will be pianist Michael Brown."

09 Oct, 2020 09:07:03 PM - Mahaney Arts Center - "With opening act pianist Ronnie Romano '20"

09 Oct, 2020 09:07:18 PM - Dylan Healy - "So excited for next week!"

09 Oct, 2020 09:07:21 PM - Mahaney Arts Center - "Any last questions for David anyone?"

09 Oct, 2020 09:08:41 PM - Mahaney Arts Center - "Again, thank you for bearing with us during our technical difficulties, and you can return to <http://go.middlebury.edu/digitalstages> to review the whole livestream through Wednesday 10/14."

09 Oct, 2020 09:09:33 PM - Mahaney Arts Center - "Thanks to Gabrielle our House Manager, Dylan our PAS Intern, and Arts Events Manager Shannon for keeping our chat going this evening."

09 Oct, 2020 09:10:02 PM - Mahaney Arts Center - "And a huge thank you to David Shifrin and Dan Frostman for their beautiful performances and participating in our chat!"

09 Oct, 2020 09:10:38 PM - Mahaney Arts Center - "Hope to see you again next Friday! Have a wonderful week everyone! "