

# 77 OJAI MUSIC FESTIVAL

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RHIANNON GIDDENS MUSIC DIRECTOR

## THU JUNE 8, 2022

**2:30PM**

### **OJAI TALKS**

Ojai Presbyterian Church

Two-part session with Music Director Rhiannon Giddens and featured collaborators, hosted by Ara Guzelimian and John Schaefer of WQXR New Sounds.

**8:00PM**

### **OPENING NIGHT: LIQUID BORDERS**

Libbey Bowl

Rhiannon Giddens, *vocals*

Steven Schick, *conductor/percussion*

Attacca Quartet

red fish blue fish

The Festival opens with Gabriela Ortiz's *Liquid Borders* performed by red fish blue fish conducted by Steven Schick.

The second half welcomes back the Attacca Quartet performing a curated playlist made especially for Ojai audiences.

## FRI JUNE 9, 2022

**8:00AM**

### **OJAI DAWNS**

Zalk Theater, Besant Hill School

red fish blue fish

CHOU WEN-CHUNG *Echoes from the Gorge*

Works by composers of the Iranian Female Composers Association

**10:00AM**

### **MORNING CONCERT: VIS-À-VIS**

Libbey Bowl

Kayhan Kalhor, *kamancheh*

Wu Man, *pipa*

Steven Schick, *percussion*

LEI LIANG *Vis-À-Vis*

Works by Michael Abels and others

**3:30PM**

**GHOST OPERA**

Greenberg Center, Ojai Valley School lower campus

Wu Man, *pipa*

Attacca Quartet

A new staging of Tan Dun's *Ghost Opera* for pipa and string quartet evokes the spirits of Bach and Shakespeare, standing with the ancient folk traditions of traditional shamanistic Chinese music.

8:00PM

**AN EVENING WITH RHIANNON GIDDENS AND FRANCESCO TURRISI**

Libbey Bowl

An intimate acoustic concert with Rhiannon Giddens and Francesco Turrisi with music ranging from the Baroque to Appalachian ballads and traditional Black American songs.

**SAT JUNE 10, 2022**

**8:00AM**

**MORNING MEDITATION** FREE

Chaparral Auditorium

Artists to be announced

**10:00AM**

**MORNING CONCERT**

Libbey Bowl

Kayhan Kalhor and friends

Program to be announced

**2:30PM**

**GHOST OPERA** [Repeat Performance]

Greenberg Center, Ojai Valley School lower campus

Wu Man, *pipa*

Attacca Quartet

A new staging of Tan Dun's *Ghost Opera* for pipa and string quartet evokes the spirits of Bach and Shakespeare, standing with the ancient folk traditions of traditional shamanistic Chinese music.

**8:00PM**

**OMAR'S JOURNEY World Premiere**

Libbey Bowl

Rhiannon Giddens, *singer/instrumentalist*  
Justin Robinson, *fiddle*  
Francesco Turrisi, *instrumentalist*  
Ojai Festival Ensemble

An Ojai-commissioned work for voices and chamber ensemble drawn from the opera *Omar*, by Rhiannon Giddens and Michael Abels, paired with the musical traditions of Senegal and the Carolinas.

**SUN JUNE 11, 2022**

**8:30AM**

**MORNING MEDITATION** FREE

Chaparral Auditorium

Artists to be announced

**10:00AM**

**EARLY MUSIC**

Libbey Bowl

Kayhan Kalhor, *kamancheh*  
Rodney Prada, *viola da gamba*  
Francesco Turrisi, *multi-instrumentalist*  
Wu Man, *pipa*  
Attacca Quartet

Curated by Francesco Turrisi, a program of morning music spanning from ancient pipa music to works of Dowland and Monteverdi.

**2:30PM**

**BETWEEN WORLDS**

Greenberg Center, Ojai Valley School lower campus

Members of the Silkroad Ensemble:

Mazz Swift, *violin/viola*

Mario Gotoh, *viola*

Karen Ouzonian, *cello*

Shawn Conley, *double bass*

A complete performance of Carlos Simon's cycle *Between Worlds*, four solo string works placed in visual context by the remarkable paintings of Bill Traylor (ca. 1853-1949), chronicling nearly a century of Black American life.

**4:00PM**

**COMMUNITY CONCERT: FREE**

Libbey Park Gazebo

The tradition continues! A community concert fun for all ages and families. Program to be announced.

**5:30PM**

**FINALE: STRINGS ATTACHED**

Libbey Bowl

Rhiannon Giddens, *singer/instrumentalist*

Kayhan Kalhor, *kamancheh*

Rodney Prada, *viola da gamba*

Justin Robinson, *fiddle*

Francesco Turrisi, *multi-instrumentalist*

Wu Man, *pipa*

Attacca Quartet

A musical summit and jam session featuring solos and collaborations among the bowed and plucked string instruments from cultures in the Americas, Asia, Europe, and the Middle East.

*Programs and artists are subject to change. Please check the website at [OjaiFestival.org](http://OjaiFestival.org).*