

# Tianjin Juilliard

## 天津茱莉亚学院

### KEY FACTS

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| <b>Overview</b>          | For more than a century, The Juilliard School has been committed to providing the highest caliber of artistic education to gifted musicians from around the world, so that they may achieve their fullest potential as artists, leaders, and global citizens. As the branch campus of The Juilliard School, The Tianjin Juilliard School (TJS) is a new cultural institution that brings Juilliard’s artistic and educational mission to a wider global audience. TJS is the first performing arts institution in China to confer a U.S.-accredited Master of Music (MM) degree. The new school also comprises a Saturday Pre-College program for students ages 8-18; continuing education programs for professionals and adult learners; public education programs for music learners of all ages; and public performances.  |
| <b>Location</b>          | Tianjin, China—Yujiapu (Binhai)—45 minutes by high-speed train from downtown Beijing.   |
| <b>Executive Staff</b>   | Executive Director & CEO: Alexander Brose<br>Dean and Artistic Director: Wei He   |
| <b>Structure</b>         | A joint venture partnership among The Juilliard School, the Tianjin Conservatory of Music (TJCM), Tianjin Economic-Technological Development Area Administrative Commission, and the Tianjin Innovative Financial Investment Co. (TIFI). The Juilliard School oversees the hiring of senior administration as well as the directing of the academic and artistic curriculum.  |
| <b>Degrees Conferred</b> | A successful graduate student will receive a Master of Music (MM) in one of three majors: Orchestral Studies, Chamber Music, or Collaborative Piano   |
| <b>Programs</b>          | <p>The Tianjin Juilliard School Graduate Studies program emphasizes collaborative musicianship – a unique educational offering for a conservatory based in China. Students at the Tianjin Conservatory of Music have the option of applying to Tianjin Juilliard as part of a dual-degree program between the two conservatories.</p> <p>Tianjin Juilliard Pre-College offers a comprehensive, conservatory-style music program on Saturdays for advanced pre-college students ages 8-18, similar to Juilliard’s Pre-College in New York.</p> <p>Tianjin Juilliard Public Education serves students from different age groups, professional levels, backgrounds, and experiences. The Music Development Program offers lessons on piano and violin to students ages 5 – 18 who have reached an advanced beginner (or higher) level on their instruments.</p> <p>Tianjin Juilliard Continuing Education will offer a wide range of programs for professional and pre-professional musicians and music teachers, including professional development workshops, teacher certification courses, and other resources to support teacher training and career development.</p> |
| <b>Admissions</b>        | The Master of Music degree program is a two-year, full-time accredited graduate program. The Pre-College, Public, and Continuing Education programs are part-time, non-degree-granting programs. The Graduate Studies division welcomed its first class of 39 students from 11 countries in fall 2020: 61% are Chinese; 39% are international students There is an annual application and audition process for prospective graduate students and they must  |

provide the same application materials as required by The Juilliard School in New York. The current Pre-College enrollment is 82 students. All classes are taught in English.

## Facilities

Designed by renowned architecture firm, Diller Scofidio + Renfro, the campus is a 350,000 sq. ft. center for performance, practice, research, and interactive exhibitions, with communal spaces that are designed to welcome the public into the creative process and performance of music.

Bridge structures floating above the lobby house state-of-the-art teaching spaces including 12 classrooms, 23 private teaching studios, and 86 practice rooms. There are rehearsal halls for large symphony orchestras and chamber ensembles, a percussion suite, double-reed rooms, a music library, administrative offices, public amenities, and ample spaces designated for electronic composition, recording, and video editing.

As many as 150 performances every year will be presented in the 690-seat concert hall, 299-seat recital hall, or 225-seat black box theater. These three state-of-the-art performing venues form the cornerstones of the new campus building.

Housed within TJS, Juilliard Imagination is a multi-faceted, digital learning environment for exploring the rich tapestry of music, dance, and drama, providing a unique opportunity for the public to learn about Juilliard. This dedicated 8,800 sq. ft. space has curated interactive displays with exciting audio and visual experiences incorporating virtual reality and other cutting-edge technologies powered by Sony.

## Performances

Tianjin Juilliard Ensemble is the school's mixed instrument resident faculty ensemble. The ensemble encompasses strings, winds, brass, harp, percussion and piano. Since 2019, they have performed across Asia and in the school's regular concert series in Tianjin and Beijing.

Graduate students participate in the Tianjin Juilliard Orchestra, the Tianjin Juilliard String Orchestra, the Tianjin Juilliard Wind Orchestra, and other mixed ensembles and chamber groups. They collaborate and perform alongside resident faculty, visiting faculty from Juilliard in New York, world renowned conductors, and guest soloists. Led by distinguished conductors, the Tianjin Juilliard Orchestra will present up to 10 concerts each season.

Since 2019, Tianjin Juilliard has co-organized an annual chamber music week with the Tianjin Grand Theatre where students, faculty, and guest artists are invited to perform together. In 2020, Tianjin Juilliard celebrated Beethoven's 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary with a special concert featuring the Shanghai Quartet. In 2021, Tianjin Juilliard launched its annual flagship festival, Festival Connect, which highlights a different groundbreaking 20<sup>th</sup>-century composer every year and traces the composer's legacy to contemporaries and living composers.

## Key Milestones

- 2015** Juilliard announces plans for China campus
- 2017** The Tianjin Juilliard School breaks ground in China; Leadership appointment of Alex Brose and Wei He
- 2018** China's Ministry of Education gives official approval for The Tianjin Juilliard School; Tianjin Juilliard announces resident faculty
- 2019** The Tianjin Juilliard Ensemble launches its inaugural season with performance tours in China and South Korea; Tianjin Juilliard welcomes its inaugural Pre-College class; Tianjin Juilliard Advisory Council launches
- 2020** Tianjin Juilliard campus building opens; the school welcomes its inaugural Graduate Studies class