



AMER HASAN

clarinet



Born in Chicago, Palestinian-American clarinetist Amer Hasan maintains a balanced career as a recitalist, chamber musician, orchestral player, and educator. Through his performances, Amer showcases his tenacity as an artist and citizen by creating an immersive and visceral concert experience. Performing and teaching classical music has led him to engage with audiences all over the world, including performances across the U.S., Latin America, Europe, and Jordan.

A winner of the 2021 Astral National Competition, Amer has performed as a soloist with the Oistrakh Symphony of Chicago, the Brevard Music Center Orchestra, and the Akron Symphony Orchestra. He has received top awards in the Vandoren Emerging Artist Competition, the Yamaha Young Performing Artists Competition, and the Jan and Beattie Wood Concerto Competition, among others. In October 2023, Amer will be featured as a soloist in Aaron Copland's Clarinet Concerto with the Bucks County Symphony Orchestra.

As a chamber musician, Amer has won top prizes at the Fischhoff and M-Prize chamber music competitions. His collaboration with other musicians is often centered on the creation and performance of new music. He was the clarinetist of the Aspen Contemporary Ensemble in 2021 and subsequently premiered over a dozen new works for chamber ensembles.

Amer joined the Akron Symphony Orchestra as principal clarinet in 2019 while pursuing his undergraduate degree at the Oberlin Conservatory of Music. While living in Cleveland, he was also the principal clarinet of the Firelands Symphony Orchestra and frequently performed as a guest musician with the Cleveland Pops Orchestra. He additionally performed as principal clarinet of the Artosphere Festival Orchestra for two seasons.

A passionate educator, Amer has taught clarinet and chamber music at Oberlin College and served as a teaching artist for Oberlin Conservatory's tour in Jordan. He has presented guest classes at the University of Akron, the Akron Youth Symphony, and is currently a teaching artist with Yale's Music in Schools Initiative.

Amer is pursuing his Master of Music degree at the Yale School of Music. He received his Bachelor of Music degree from the Oberlin Conservatory of Music and his principal teachers include David Shifrin, Richard Hawkins, and Bonnie Campbell.

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