## Longy School of Music of Bard College welcomes Juventas New Music Ensemble as Ensemble-in-Residence for the 2017-18 academic year

Longy School of Music of Bard College announces the appointment of Juventas New Music Ensemble as an Ensemble-in-Residence for the 2017-18 academic year. Throughout the year the ensemble will perform new works by several Longy composition students, alumni and faculty at Longy's Pickman Concert Hall. The ensemble will also perform several of their own concerts at Longy.

Since 2007, Juventas New Music Ensemble has received nationwide recognition for nurturing and encouraging the music-making of emerging composers through one-of-a-kind performances, commissioning new work and presenting an annual call for scores.

Juventas mission includes facilitating audiences for new works with dynamic presentations that engage a broad spectrum of partners; dance troupes, painters, scientists, poets, visual artists, political activists, and even puppeteers. The talented and versatile artists within the ensemble allow the group to take on a remarkable breath of work, from full operas, ballets, chamber pieces and electro-acoustic works.

"Juventas New Music Ensemble is a vital contributor to the Boston new music scene," said Longy's Acting Chair of Composition and Theory Department. "We are thrilled they're bringing their passion for new music and dedication to performing music by young composers to Longy."

## About Juventas New Music Ensemble

Over the past 10 years, Juventas New Music Ensemble has made a mark on the world of contemporary classical music through its unique focus on showcasing and developing the music-making of emerging composers. The ensemble's performances cross disciplinary boundaries and have included collaborations with robots, puppets, poets, scientists, dancers, and aerial artists. Their annual opera project has received numerous awards (National Opera Association, The American Prize) and we have been awarded grants from the NEA, Cambridge Arts Council, Boston Arts Council and others. The ensemble is made up of some of the top new music specialists in the world, and work with young composers in an incubator that aims to spearhead their careers.

## About Longy School of Music of Bard College

Longy School of Music of Bard College is a conservatory whose mission is to prepare musicians to make a difference in the world. World-class faculty and an innovative curriculum encourage students to push their artistic presentation beyond the proscenium model. Longy promotes musical understanding and technical mastery, and inspires imagination and inquiry into the musician's role in the world. Longy serves graduate and undergraduate students from over 35 states and 16 countries between its Cambridge and Los Angeles campuses, with the latter housing the El Sistema-inspired Master of Arts in Teaching (MAT) program.

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