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Hillsdale College Announces March Fine Arts Events

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HILLSDALE, Mich. — Hillsdale College will hold a variety of fine arts events in March, which are open to members of our local community. Upcoming events include a Symphony Orchestra performance of “Peter and the Wolf” and the Tower Players production of the musical “Big Fish.”

All events are free and open to the public, but some require ticket reservations. To reserve tickets, contact the box office at boxoffice@hillsdale.edu or 517-607-2848.

Without further ado, here are March’s events. See you there!

Sunday, March 1: Sunday Afternoon Organ Mediation

2:30 p.m. | *Christ Chapel*

Students of Dr. Ryan Kennedy and Dr. Derek Stauff will present a special concert for CCA guests. All are welcome to attend.

Sunday, March 1: Hillary Kuhlmann Senior Violin Recital

2:30 p.m. | *Conrad Recital Hall (Howard Music Hall)*

Hillary is a student of Dr. Melissa Knecht.

Monday, March 2: Violin Masterclass With Danielle Belen

2-4 p.m. | *Conrad Recital Hall (Howard Music Hall)*

Danielle Belen, associate professor of violin at The University of Michigan, will present a masterclass to Hillsdale College upper string students. All are welcome to watch and learn.

Tower Players Production: 'Big Fish'

7:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 4, through Saturday, March 7 | 2 p.m. Sunday, March 8 | Markel Auditorium (Fine Arts Building)

The Hillsdale College Tower Players and John E.N. & Dede Howard Department of Music present the musical "Big Fish," based on the celebrated novel and acclaimed film. Edward Bloom, a traveling salesman, tells larger-than-life stories that thrill everyone around him, but his son, Will, is determined to find the truth behind his father's epic tales. "Big Fish" is a heartwarming musical about the importance of family and the power of storytelling. Directed by Tory Matsos, with music direction by James Holleman. Admission is free, but ticket reservations are required. To reserve tickets, call the Box Office at 517-607-2848 or email boxoffice@hillsdale.edu.

Friday, March 6: Michael Berry Senior Violin Recital

5 p.m. | Conrad Recital Hall (Howard Music Hall)

Michael is a student of Dr. Melissa Knecht.

Saturday, March 7: Student Chamber Ensembles

4 p.m. | Christ Chapel

A showcase of various chamber ensembles from the Music Department.

Saturday, March 7: Choral Scholars Concert 'Sacred Treasures'

7:30 p.m. | Christ Chapel

This Parents Weekend concert will showcase works drawn from the repertory of the world's great churches and cathedrals. The Choral Scholars offer this performance of carefully curated works from our repertoire in appreciation for the support and dedication of Hillsdale parents and benefactors.

Choral Evensong Services

6 p.m. Sunday, March 8 & 29 | Christ Chapel

Join the Hillsdale College Choral Scholars for a celebration of Choral Evensong. This centuries-old service features scripture, choral anthems, and prayers.

Monday, March 9: Piano Masterclass & Workshop With Nathan Cheung

7 p.m. | Conrad Recital Hall & Room 110 (Howard Music Hall)

Dr. Nathan Cheung, instructor of collaboration at Vanderbilt University Blair School of Music, will present a piano masterclass to Hillsdale College students. All are welcome to watch and learn.

Tuesday, March 10: Nathan Cheung Guest Piano Recital

7:30 p.m. | Conrad Recital Hall (Howard Music Hall)

Dr. Nathan Cheung will perform a concert in Conrad Recital Hall. A San Francisco Bay Area native, Dr. Cheung is celebrated as a concert pianist, composer, improviser, and educator whose

performances aim to resonate with listeners from all walks of life.

Thursday, March 12: Samuel Jarzab Senior Clarinet Recital

6:30 p.m. | Conrad Recital Hall (Howard Music Hall)

Samuel is a student of Dr. Andrew Sprung.

Thursday, March 26: Alexandra Laird Senior Violin Recital

7 p.m. | Conrad Recital Hall (Howard Music Hall)

Alexandra is a student of Dr. Melissa Knecht.

Senior Art Exhibition

- Exhibit #1: Friday, March 27, to Tuesday, March 31
- Exhibit #2: Friday, April 10, to Tuesday, April 14
- Exhibit #3: Friday, April 17, to Tuesday, April 21

Exhibits will be displayed in the Daughtrey Art Gallery in the Fine Arts Building. For gallery hours, click [here](#).

Saturday, March 28: Josephine Nolen Senior Voice Recital

4 p.m. | Conrad Recital Hall (Howard Music Hall)

Josephine is a student of Kristi Matson.

Saturday, March 28: Hannah Wong Senior Piano Recital

6 p.m. | Conrad Recital Hall (Howard Music Hall)

Hannah is a student of Dr. Daniel Kuehler.

Symphony Orchestra Performances

8 p.m. Saturday, March 28 | 3 p.m. Sunday, March 29 | Markel Auditorium (Fine Arts Building)

Saturday's performance will feature selected winners from the 2026 Student Concerto/Aria Competition: Ellia He, violin; Ashlyn Linton, piano; and Samuel Jarzab, clarinet. Sunday's performance will feature Prokofiev's classic "Peter and the Wolf" and Andrew Maxfield's companion piece "What About the Duck?" narrated by Victoria Matsos and Dr. Christopher Matsos. Both performances will feature various film scores from "Up," "Ratatouille," and "How to Train Your Dragon." James A. Holleman, music director. Admission is free, but ticket reservations are required. To reserve tickets, call the Box Office at 517-607-2848 or email boxoffice@hillsdale.edu.

Tuesday, March 31: Voice Masterclass With Freda Herseth

11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. & 2-3:30 p.m. | McNamara Rehearsal Hall (Howard Music Hall)

Freda Herseth, mezzo-soprano and professor of music (voice) and Arthur F. Thurnau Professor at The University of Michigan, will present a masterclass to Hillsdale College students. She has taught at the Brancaloneoni Music Festival in Italy, Brevard Music Festival, Cleveland Institute of Music, and the Eastman School of Music. All are welcome to watch and learn.

For more information about upcoming fine arts events, click [here](#). To download the 2025-2026 Fine Arts Calendar, click [here](#). For more information about the fine arts at Hillsdale College, click [here](#). For photos from Hillsdale College fine arts events, click [here](#). For photos of Hillsdale College, click [here](#). For a high-resolution copy of the Hillsdale College clocktower logo, click [here](#).

About Hillsdale College

Hillsdale College is an independent, nonsectarian, Christian liberal arts college located in southern Michigan. Founded in 1844, the College has built a national reputation through its classical liberal arts core curriculum and its principled refusal to accept federal or state taxpayer subsidies, even indirectly in the form of student grants or loans. It also conducts an outreach effort promoting civil and religious liberty, including a free monthly speech digest, *Imprimis*, with a circulation of more than 7.5 million. For more information, visit hillsdale.edu.

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