



Founded in 1985 by violist Lila Brown together with violinist Judith Eissenberg, Music from Salem is a chamber music festival that brings together accomplished musicians of international reputation each summer to prepare and perform traditional and contemporary chamber music in the peace and beauty of rural Washington County, New York. In addition to their concert series and joined by co-Artistic Directors Judith Gordon and Rhonda Rider, Music from Salem lead educational workshops and professional seminars.

Music from Salem Concerts, held at Hubbard Hall, are intimate and the Hall's fine acoustics highlight the delicacy and subtlety of each performance. During the summer season, anyone may attend free open rehearsals at the Brown Farm, where musicians work on the program for the weekend and then open the floor to questions. Essential to the spirit of Music from Salem is the belief that artist and audience complement one another, thereby enriching and enhancing the life of the entire community.

An important part of the Music from Salem program is devoted to the younger members of our audience, the children. There are free workshops for children at various area locations, enabling children to see and hear the instruments at close range and learn how music is composed and performed. The artists share their passion for music and inspire the children with their music, their knowledge, and their time.

Professional seminars are taught by professional musicians - most recently, The Cello Seminar, featured instruction by cellists Rhonda Rider and David Russell and pianist Judith Gordon. In these seminars, exceptional young adults attend open lessons, rehearsals and master classes working with the instructors to mold and shape the piece, as well as their style, at a professional level.

Now in their 22<sup>nd</sup> season, Music from Salem continues their mission of nurturing the relationship between artists and audiences, to create a more intimate musical experience for all. For more information about Music from Salem events please visit our website at [www.musicfromsaalem.org](http://www.musicfromsaalem.org).