

SPEARFISHER

PETER JOHN

Composer · Producer · Classically Trained Pianist

> *"...full of assertive and expressive music and elicited real enthusiasm from the audience."*
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> **THE WASHINGTON POST** · ON *From the Zodiac*, PERFORMED AT THE KENNEDY CENTER

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BIOGRAPHY

Peter John (aka SPEARFISHER) is a classically trained pianist and composer with a Master's degree from the Cleveland Institute of Music and a Doctor of Musical Arts in Piano and Composition from the University of Minnesota.

Most recently, he composed the music for the theatrical trailers of Blade Runner 2099, Downton Abbey: The Grand Finale, and The Gates, as well as trailers for The Performance with Jeremy Piven, Chucky the TV series, and The Prom with Meryl Streep. He also scored the feature-length film The Tannery with Brianna Tam, and the award-winning short All the Reasons for Killing by David De Juan Navarro.

His music has been featured by major brands such as Walt Disney World (Bluey), Nike, Vogue, Ralph Lauren, Samsung, Safeway, and The Onion, and has appeared in television programs including Project Runway, Dr. Death, Northern Exposure, Claws, Dead Silent, The Today Show, Good Morning America, 20/20, MLB, and NASCAR.

As a songwriter and producer, Peter co-wrote and co-produced "My Boy" with Jon Bellion for his Father Figure album and has collaborated with Grammy-winning producer Jerry Wonda of The Fugees, songwriter Neil Ormandy (James Arthur, Teddy Swims), as well as artists such as Son Lux, Maddie Ashman, Dan Richards (One Direction), Lissie, Transviolet, CLOVES, and L'FREAQ.

In the realm of contemporary classical music, his solo cello piece From the Zodiac was premiered by Cicely Parnas at The Kennedy Center and praised by The Washington Post for his "assertive and expressive music." This piece was later performed at Lincoln Center's Merkin Hall, the Gardner Museum in Boston, and concert halls across the U.S. He also collaborated with composer Jocelyn Hagen on the piece Hummingbird for choir and electronics, resampling the full choir to build custom synthesizers, which he performed live at the premiere. The piece is published by Graphite Publishing.

As a pianist, Peter has won numerous awards nationally and been a finalist in international piano competitions. Highlights include performing Rachmaninoff's Second Piano Concerto as soloist with the National Orchestra of Belarus, along with recital and concerto performances across Europe, Asia, and the United States.

SELECTED CREDITS



Blade Runner 2099



Downton Abbey: The Grand Finale



The Gates



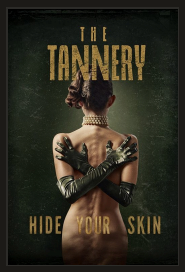
The Performance



Chucky



The Prom



The Tannery



All the Reasons for Killing

TELEVISION

Project Runway · Dr. Death · Northern Exposure · Claws · Dead Silent

BROADCAST & SPORTS

The Today Show · Good Morning America · 20/20 · MLB · NASCAR

ARTIST COLLABORATIONS

Jon Bellion ("My Boy," Father Figure) · Jerry Wonda (The Fugees) · Neil Ormandy (James Arthur, Teddy Swims) · Son Lux · Lissie · CLOVES · L'FREAQ

EDUCATION

Doctor of Musical Arts, Piano & Composition · University of Minnesota
Master of Music, Piano · Cleveland Institute of Music

CONCERT MUSIC & PERFORMANCE

From the Zodiac — solo cello; premiered by Cicely Parnas at The Kennedy Center; Lincoln Center's Merkin Hall, Gardner Museum.
Hummingbird — choir & electronics with Jocelyn Hagen (Graphite Publishing). Soloist, Rachmaninoff's 2nd Piano Concerto, National Orchestra of Belarus.

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