



## ASTON MAGNA FOUNDATION FOR MUSIC AND THE HUMANITIES

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### MISSION

*The mission of the Aston Magna Foundation is to enrich the appreciation of music of the past and the understanding of the cultural, political, and social contexts in which it was composed and experienced.*

*The goal is to reach a larger public through the use of historical instruments and practices in performances, recordings, and workshops, and through innovative interdisciplinary educational programs, publications, and electronic media.*

### HUMANITIES EXPERTISE

Aston Magna pursues these goals in its educational and public programs, recordings and books. For two decades, the Aston Magna Academies brought together artists and scholars in all disciplines of the humanities for three weeks of intensive interdisciplinary exploration. A series of books based on the themes of the Academies is being published. *Schubert's Vienna*, is available through Yale University Press, and *The Worlds of Johann Sebastian Bach* is available through Amadeus Press.

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## HUMANITIES RESOURCES & PROJECTS

### PROGRAMS

- [Annual Bach Violin Workshop](#): The Aston Magna at Brandeis University Summer Music Workshop is a six-day intensive laboratory for violinists who are students, serious amateurs, or professionals. The workshop is led by Daniel Stepner, a master of the baroque and modern violin, and artistic director of the Aston Magna Music Festival. Workshop details are annually announced on their [website](#) in spring.
- [Annual Travel Program](#): As part of Aston Magna's ongoing mission to enrich the appreciation of music of the past, they are offering annual travel programs that weave together discovery and education. With authenticity and enrichment as key goals, carefully curated itineraries provide participants the opportunity to explore captivating travel destinations and connect with like-minded fellow travelers. This immersive learning environment provides a rich and multi-faceted context for acquiring a deeper understanding and appreciation of the music they perform.

### EVENTS

- Season details are listed [online](#).

### RESOURCES

- The Aston Magna [News Archive](#) showcase articles and reviews that document previous performances.