



## Washington Conservatory at Glen Echo Park

Next to Adventure Theatre - [7300 MacArthur Blvd, Glen Echo, MD](#)

### **Adult Chamber Music Play-in Party & Pre-Party talk with James Buswell!**

**2 PM, Sunday, March 4, 2018**

This afternoon is offered as part of the Associated Chamber Music Players Annual Worldwide Play-in (<https://acmp.net/wpiw> )

**SIGN-UP NOW: SEE BELOW**



**This event is free. Participants are welcome to bring food and drink, to add to the merriment.**



**2 pm – 3 pm:** Talk by James Buswell: A Passion for Music from the Inside Out

For 50 years, James Buswell has lived a fascinating double life as a performer and a pedagogue. He has performed as solo violinist with virtually all the major orchestras in North America, and throughout Europe, Asia, South America and Australia. He is an equally esteemed pedagogue who held faculty positions at two of the most

prestigious music schools in the US. He continues to give master classes and concerts around the world. His experiences give him a unique perspective on the peculiar conflicts and reinforcements of those two professions, and on what he sees as a growing crisis that threatens the very nature of art in our culture- the increasing presumption that numbers are more accurate than words or that which is related to the human spirit. Buswell is well-known as an engaging speaker and thoughtful knowledgeable musician. **This talk is open to the public and will be live-streamed on Facebook.**

**Buswell performs on the Washington Conservatory Concert Series with cellist Tobias Werner at 8 pm, Saturday, March 3 at Westmoreland Church, 1 Westmoreland Circle, Bethesda. ([www.washingtonconservatory.org](http://www.washingtonconservatory.org))**

**3 pm – 4 pm:** ACMP Worldwide chamber music play-in kick-off with violinist James Buswell and cellist Tobias Werner

James **Buswell** will help to kick off the afternoon by **reading chamber music with play-in participants for the first hour of the event, along with Tobias Werner**, cellist, Artistic Director of Pressenda Chamber Players and Music Director of The Chamber Music Conference of the East. All participants may break-off to other rooms to play in ensembles at this time.

**4 pm – 7 pm:** Continuation of Chamber Music Play-in:

Participants continue reading chamber music, forming groups, munching on snacks, and having a good time.

### **FAQs:**

- What is a Play-in party? Reading chamber music together in a party atmosphere just for the fun of it.
  - Who is invited? All area amateur adult string and wind players are welcome. Two grand pianos are available for pianists.
  - Am I good enough? At first, players receive suggested groups according to ability. Likely if you can play slow movements of Haydn Quartets you will have a good time.
  - How much will I get to play with Buswell and Werner in the first hour of the play-in? It depends on how many people come and what instruments are represented.
    - What music will I play? You are welcome to bring your own music or to choose from chamber music provided by Washington Conservatory.
    - With whom will I play? Based on RSVPs , initial groups and repertoire will be suggested. However, you are welcome to form groups according to available space.

- What if I'm not sure if I can attend? Drop-ins are absolutely welcome and will be accommodated to the extent possible.
- What if I just want to listen? That's just fine.
- What if I can't stay for the whole time. That's fine too.
- How many ensemble rooms are there?
  - 1 large room with grand piano, that seats 70 and can be divided into 2 rooms.
  - 1 room suitable for a piano quartet with grand piano
  - 1 room with upright piano and room for 5 musicians.
  - 3 rooms without piano, suitable for 4 or 5 musicians

**HOW DO I SIGN UP?**

**RSVP (first-come) by March 1 to: [info@washingtonconservatory.org](mailto:info@washingtonconservatory.org)**

**Subject line: Play-in 2018**

1. Name
2. Instrument
3. Level of chamber music playing (beginner, intermediate, advanced)
4. Will you arrive at 2 pm? Yes/No
5. I would also like to say:

Please forward to your friends. We look forward to seeing you for a fun play-in party!

Have more questions? call [301-320-2770](tel:301-320-2770) between 10 am and 5 pm M – F.