

# Fairbanks Summer Arts Festival

*Awaken Your Inner Artist*

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## Director's Note

### Uncertain Times

What a time. Businesses are closed down. Flights are empty. The Summer Olympics are postponed and toilet paper is gold. What does all this mean for the Fairbanks Summer Arts Festival in July?

We don't know yet. The Board of Directors will be meeting in early April to figure all that out. The picture of our new normal should be much more clarified by then. There are a couple of things that I want to bring to our attention before then:

\* Registration will be pushed back to June 1st instead of May 1st. We will need another month to figure out what this summer looks like.

\* There will be a simple survey going out to our community at the end of March. Please take a couple of moments to fill it out. It will help me come to the Board Meeting with some knowledge of what you are interested in and what you are not.

In the meantime, check out our Facebook page. We are updating it with all sorts of links and notes about what our regular guest artists are up to these days and the creative approaches that they are taking to keep the arts flowing to the world. Enjoy your winter respite from the busyness of the world my friends,  
James



## What's Next?

### SURVEY SAYS????



We would like to hear from you! Click on the link below to fill out a quick, 3 question survey for FSAF as we try to determine the best options for our summer. We will also be emailing it out and the link is available on our Facebook Page!

<https://fairbanksart.configio.com/survey/3/fsaf-2020-summer-options>

## Artist Spotlight

### **James Yoshizawa**



James Yoshizawa is a versatile drummer/percussionist living in Los Angeles, CA with a BM in Percussion Performance from California State University, Long Beach. While a student, he received the PAS Armand Zildjian Percussion Scholarship, the Fine Arts Affiliates Scholarship, and the Komaroff Scholarship. Since

graduating, he has been an active performer and educator in Los Angeles and around the country. Some recent, noteworthy engagements include a 3-month run as the percussionist and bodhran soloist in the touring production of the Broadway musical, "Come From Away," a guest performance with the band NYCO accompanied by the Alabama Symphony in Birmingham, AL, and the recording of all the percussion tracks for an upcoming show at Tokyo Disney. He has also been a guest artist at the Fairbanks Summer Arts Festival since 2013. As an educator, he maintains a private lesson studio and has taught at many nationally acclaimed high school percussion programs around Southern California.



### LOOKING FOR ADVERTISERS AND SPONSORS

Summer Edition is just around the corner and we are looking for businesses who would like to advertise in our Summer Program or sponsor during Summer Festival. If you are interested please email Poppy Floto (Development Coordinator) at [poppyfloto@fsaf.org](mailto:poppyfloto@fsaf.org). Let's find the perfect spot for you.



### FSAF WISH LIST

- \* Host housing for guest artists
- \* Loaner cars for guest artists
- \* Mileage/ Airline Tickets for travel
- \* Summer Sponsors for festival
- \* Advertisers
- \* Monetary Donations

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