

For Faculty and Staff

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Recent Grad to Join Elite Company at Wednesday's Haunted Harmonies Orchestra Concert

At the front of the instrumental rehearsal room in the Purdue University Fort Wayne Music Center, there's a list of composers on a whiteboard whose works will be performed during Wednesday night's Haunted Harmonies: Orchestra Concert of Classic Composers. Included are names such as Liszt, Gounod, Schubert, Humperdinck, Franck, Weber, and Liadov.

"When you put the names up on the board, these are world-famous composers that people have known for hundreds of years in some cases, and Austin Hulsizer's name is up there, too," said Kevin McMahon, assistant professor of music and the orchestra's conductor.

There's a story behind Hulsizer's inclusion. He graduated from PFW's School of Music earlier this year as a trumpet player and one of McMahon's composition students.



Michael Barbaro (back row, center) met with students in the IDEASpace at Helmke Library before his Omnibus presentation Thursday evening.

New Omnibus Season at PFW Opens With Role Reversal For New York Times Journalist

Less than two weeks before Election Day, New York Times journalist and podcaster Michael Barbaro held a different kind of town hall meeting Thursday while visiting Purdue University Fort Wayne. Instead of serving the usual role of a reporter asking the questions, Barbaro answered them during separate sessions with local media, students, and members of the general public.

To help kick off PFW's 29th year of its Omnibus Speaker Series, students taking part in an afternoon experience were deliberate and pointed as they wanted an insider's idea of how journalism works and how Barbaro thinks it should work. The students weren't trying to make points with their comments, but expressed genuine curiosity and a desire to understand.

Several times the students' questions caused Barbaro to pause and stroke his chin to consider his answer.

"I think the act of journalism itself requires so much demystification, like what is this thing we are doing and how do we make the decisions we make and what are the motivations?" Barbaro said.

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There's always plenty to do at Purdue Fort Wayne. To find your favorites—or discover new activities—check the full events calendar often to see what's happening on campus.

OCTOBER

Early Music Ensemble Concert

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Today, 7:30–9:30 p.m.

Don't miss the debut performance of the PFW Early Music Ensemble, featuring a collaboration between faculty and student musicians presenting compositions from the 17th and 18th centuries...

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Dr. Acula's Spooktacula Blood Drive

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Thurs., 10 a.m.–4 p.m.

The first-ever Dr. Acula's Spooktacula Blood Drive to benefit the American Red Cross will be held at the Student Housing 's Cole Clubhouse on Thursday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Presenting donors will receive a \$10 Amazon e-gift card and a goodie bag. The event is sponsored by Well-Being and Recreation...

NOVEMBER

National First-Gen Day Celebration

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Wed., 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

Almost 50% of our campus is comprised of students who don't have college education in their family history. Whether you're first gen yourself or a friend of one, come take pride in their accomplishments through lunch, a student panel discussion, a photo booth, and giveaways...

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Seen and noted around campus. Monitor our university social feeds for more great moments of Mastodon life.



Anthony Harrison (left), chief of police at Purdue University Fort Wayne, welcomed Ryan Adamson as a captain and his second-in-command during a swearing-in ceremony on Oct. 22. Adamson served almost 20 years on the Terre Haute Police Department after starting his career with Indiana State University Public Safety. Adamson and his family live in Columbia City.

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