

## **IES: Vienna: Music Travel Costs Outcome Report**

Thanks to the Miller Arts Scholar Minigrant, I am currently spending my first week studying music in Vienna, Austria, the capital of classical music. The funding from Miller Arts helped pay for my airfare here and will contribute to my flight back home. Although I have only been here for a week, I have already begun to see the incredible ways this program and city will contribute to my musical knowledge. I live in the Fifth District of Vienna, surrounded by other students, vocalists and instrumentalists, providing extensive opportunities for musical collaboration. I will be taking four music courses this semester, as well as a German class: Individual voice lessons with a culminating solo voice recital, a Music Performance Workshop where I will spend a semester with other singers working on group pieces and opera scenes, Opera History, and a course on Gustav Mahler, a Viennese composer. The repertoire I will work on in my performance classes will help prepare me for my Junior Year Recital at the end of the Spring.

This city also has much to offer in terms of a musical culture. The Wien Staatsoper, a repertoire opera house, is easily accessible to students, and I plan on viewing at least one opera, concert, or ballet a week. It also has lots to offer in terms of sacred music, with incredible cathedrals which have not only regular masses with music, but also regular classical performances. For example, the Stephansplatz Cathedral is presenting Vivaldi's Four Seasons every weekend from July through October, an event I plan on attending soon. Even in the first week, I've already had an opportunity to view a filmed performance of Swan Lake at Vienna's Film Festival and travel to Joseph Haydn's birthplace, Rohrau, and his death place in Eisenstadt.

Although this experience has just begun, I would not be able to be here without the funding for my travel expenses. I cannot wait to share and bring back what I learn here to the arts community at UVA.

### **Gallery**



**Burgtheatre, 1st District of Wien**



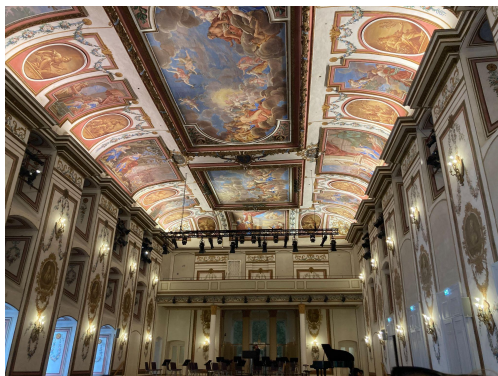
**Wien Staatsoper, 1st District of Wien**



**Bust of Haydn (commissioned by Haydn)  
Schloss-Rohrau**



**Joseph Haydn's Mausoleum  
Bergkirche, Eisenstadt**



**Esterhazy Concert Hall, Eisenstadt**