# Que (Alexander) Wu

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#### SELECTED WORKS

#### Countdown (10'), for ensemble

Old Bay New Music Ensemble, Peabody Institute, Baltimore, MD (12/3/2024)

- *self-portrait*, audiovisual installation (in collaboration with Bianca Quigley) (indefinite duration) Bloomberg Center, DC (11/14–15/2024)
- **Object Distance** (5'), for clarinet, trumpet, trombone, and electronics (commissioned by Bent Wrench)
  Bent Wrench, Peabody Institute, Baltimore, MD (11/24/2024)
- measure of the wound (9'), for oboe, alto saxophone, bassoon, horn, and electric guitar International Contemporary Ensemble, Polyaspora Festival, Bloomberg Center, DC (9/25/2024)
- I hear trees and power lines (7'), for percussion trio

Princeton University, NJ (8/3/2024)

- (intro)introintrointrointr (8'), for flute, clarinet, accordion, piano, violin, viola, and cello Ensemble Linea, Peabody Institute, Baltimore, MD (5/8/2024)
- **The Water Method** (8'), for mezzo soprano, piano, and fixed media Leisha Casimiro, mezzo soprano; Zixuan Chen, piano, Peabody Institute, Baltimore, MD (2/28/2024)
- **Strained** (6'), for two saxophones and electronics

Deer Ma and Amy Xue, Peabody Institute, Baltimore, MD (10/26/2023)

- *i remember remembering* (8'), for trumpet in C, drum set, piano, and live electronics SPLICE Ensemble, Berklee College of Music, Boston, MA (4/22/2023)
- **Rounding Errors** (8'), for percussion duo

Iktus Percussion, Berklee College of Music, Boston, MA (2/21/2023)

**jingle bach**, four-channel generative audiovisual installation (indefinite duration)

Bleep Blorp Festival, UMass Lowell (3/18/2023)

Berklee College of Music, Boston, MA (12/3/2022)

## Rework: Variations on a Theme by Monk (8'), for string quartet

Zodiac Festival, Valdeblore, France (7/14/2022)

**THUMB**, two-channel generative music based on sentiment analysis of Twitter data (in collaboration with Natalie Hogue and Juan Gomez) (indefinite duration)

BerkleeDNA Digital Media & Art Festival (5/1/2022)

## **Abloom (Possibly)** (5.5'), for trumpet and electronics

Sam Wells, Berklee College of Music, Boston, MA (3/25/2022)

## ctrllrtc (4.5'), for flute, guitar, and electronics

recorded by unassisted fold and released by Da Vinci Classics (1/21/2022)

**Ennui** (5'), for baritone voice, trumpet, trombone, and bass clarinet

loadbang, Longy School of Music, Cambridge, MA (6/30/2021)

#### **EXPERIENCE**

8/2024-present **President of Peabody Improvisers Collective** 

The Peabody Institute of The Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD

Hold semimonthly rehearsals. Invite and coordinate with guest artists.

Apply to and manage funding. Organize concerts.

9/2023-6/2024 **Technical Director of Peabody Improvisers Collective** 

The Peabody Institute of The Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD

Managed and set up equipment, including PAs, mixers, and recording

devices. Resolved technical difficulties.

1/2024-present Harmony Lab Research Assistant

The Peabody Institute of The Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD

Transcribe pop harmony and develop programs to analyze music with

machine learning.

8/2023-12/2023 **Music Theory Graduate Assistant** 

The Peabody Institute of The Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD

Evaluated figured bass realizations and harmonic analyses. Provided timely

feedback and assistance to students.

1/2023-5/2023 **Music Production and Programming Tutor** 

Berklee College of Music, Boston, MA

Tutored students one-on-one in music production and programming, covering topics such as mixing, signal flow, sound design, and algorithmic composition, with DAWs such as Pro Tools, Ableton, and Logic, and

programming languages such as C, C# (Unity), Python, and

Max/MSP/Jitter.

9/2021-5/2023 **President of Society of Composers at Berklee** 

Berklee College of Music, Boston, MA

Organized weekly club meetings. Produced triannual concerts showcasing student composers. Conducted interviews with guest composers and performers. Supervised and assisted board members in designing posters,

publishing weekly newsletters, and promoting events.

10/2020-12/2022 **Core Music Tutor** 

Berklee College of Music, Boston, MA

Tutored students one-on-one in core Berklee music curriculum, covering classical and jazz theory, ear training, counterpoint, and arranging. Created personalized lesson plans, tracked progress, and provided feedback to enhance skills. Maintained accurate records and regularly updated

supervisor on student performance.

9/2020-12/2020 Music Arranger

Heart of Boston Entertainment, Boston, MA

Wrote and arranged music in a variety of styles. Edited and prepared scores for bands with various instrumentations. Sequenced music for demo purposes.

#### SKILLS

Programming Languages	C, C# (Unity), Python, Swift, Java/TypeScript, SQL, Max/MSP/Jitter/Gen,
	TouchDesigner, SuperCollider

DAWs Logic Pro X, Pro Tools, Ableton Live, MainStage

Notation Software Sibelius, Finale

Others Final Cut Pro, Unity, Wwise, GitHub, Microsoft Office Suite, Arduino,

ElectroSmith Daisy, hardware controllers and synthesizers including

common Eurorack modules

#### AWARDS

3/2023	Max Matthews Computer Music Award Jeronimas Kačinskas Composition Award Millican Endowed Scholarship	
3/2022	Earle Brown Composition Award	
3/2021	Performance Division Piano Award	
9/2019	Berklee World Tour Scholarship	

### **EDUCATION**

9/2023-present	Peabody Institute of The .	Johns Hopkins University

Master of Music in Composition (studio of Dr. Sky Macklay)

9/2019-5/2023 Berklee College of Music

Bachelor of Music summa cum laude in Composition and Electronic

Production and Design, minoring in Creative Coding

Studied composition with professors such as Beth Denisch, Gabriele Vanoni, and Marti Epstein, and electronic production and programming with professors such as Rachel Rome, Richard Boulanger, and Neil

Leonard. Cumulative GPA: 3.99/4.0.

# MASTERCLASSES AND SINGLE LESSONS

Alexandra du Bois, Chen Yi, Anthony Cheung, Chaya Czernowin, Du Yun, Evan Johnson, Amy Beth Kirsten, Andrew List, Matthew Ricketts, Matthew Evan Taylor, Helena Tulve, Jeremy Van Buskirk, Julia Wolfe, Eric Wubbels

## ADDITIONAL TRAINING

7/2024	Sō Percussion Summer Institute (Princeton, NJ)
7/2022	Zodiac Music Festival (Valdeblore, France)
8/2021	highSCORE Festival (Pavia, Italy)
6/2021	Longy's Divergent Studio (Cambridge, MA)