



36th Anniversary - 2017

Kiwanis Music Festival of Guelph

Welcome to the 36th annual Kiwanis Music Festival of Guelph.

Many thanks to our participants, adjudicators, visitors, donors and sponsors, organizers, volunteers, Board and Committee members, media guests, and venues. We look forward to another wonderful Festival and hope you enjoy this valuable contribution to the cultural life of Guelph and Wellington County.

Please remember that the performers need absolute silence and you must wait to enter or leave the hall until there is a break in the performance. Please turn off all cell phones and other electronic devices. Photos and videos of performances may be taken if the performer has given their permission, but no flash photography and absolutely no recording of the adjudication is permitted. Please remain in your seat and be discreet while recording.

Please join us for the Highlights of the Festival Concert & Awards Ceremony on Friday, May 12 at St. George's Church at 7 pm. It will feature some of the finest performances heard during the Festival, as well as the presentation of medals and \$13,500 in scholarships. Please call the River Run Centre Box Office at 519-763-3000 for tickets. Tickets are \$15/Adults, \$10/Students & Seniors, and \$5/Children age 12 & Under. Many thanks to our sponsor, Corus Entertainment.

Senior Piano Adjudicator Stéphan Sylvestre

Stéphan Sylvestre ranks among the most sought-after Canadian pianists. Compared by critics to Artur Schnabel for his natural talent and flawless technique (La Presse, Montreal), he has given performances in numerous countries throughout North and South America, Europe, the Middle East and Russia. He performed five solo recitals in the Concertgebouw (Amsterdam), he appeared with top Canadian orchestras and in Canada's leading international festivals, and played live for the BBC. One of Canada's most praised chamber musicians, he regularly collaborates with internationally acclaimed artists and ensembles such as James Campbell, James Sommerville, Ransom Wilson, Martin Beaver, Susan Hoepfner, Rivka Golani, Yannick Nézet-Séguin, the Penderecki, New Zealand, and New Orford string quartets, as well as with first chairs of the Israel Philharmonic, Toronto Symphony and Montreal Symphony orchestras. His recordings have been hailed by critics. His Brahms solo recordings were placed alongside Murray Perahia's interpretations by WholeNote magazine, and the internationally famed Strad Magazine in the U.K. recently gave a stunning review of his recording of the works of Szymanowski for violin and piano with member of the Penderecki String Quartet, Jerzy Kaplanek. He regularly gives master classes around the world and he has sat on juries of prestigious competitions such as the Montreal International Piano Competition, the Montreal Symphony Competition and the Canadian Music Competition. He also regularly adjudicates for prestigious institutions including the Glenn Gould School and the Conservatoire de Montréal, among many others. Stéphan Sylvestre has been Associate Professor and head of keyboard studies at Western University Canada since 2005. He is one of the most respected pedagogues of the new generation and highly sought-after by young pianists around the world. His teachers have included Leon Fleisher, John Perry, Marc Durand and Marek Jablonski.



MONDAY MORNING, APRIL 03, 2017

GUELPH YOUTH MUSIC CENTRE

Adjudicator - Stéphan Sylvestre

SENIOR PIANO

9:00 AM CLASS P105

Baroque Era (1600 - 1750)

16 & Under - Level 8

Own choice from 1600 to 1750.

1. Orion Li - Kitchener
2. Elizabeth Mirotta - Guelph
3. Abigail Ferguson-Donaldson - Guelph
4. Katrina Seufert - Guelph
5. John Kosir - Rockwood
6. Minne Deng - Guelph
7. Grace Ma - Guelph

9:45 AM CLASS P103

Baroque Era (1600 - 1750)

20 & Under - Level 10

Own choice from 1600 to 1750.

1. Kayla Zhang - Kitchener
2. Yushi Wang - Guelph
3. Ben Wallace - Guelph
4. XiaoXiao Long - Guelph
5. Luke Hodgson - Cambridge
6. Dieter Whittingham - Guelph
7. Nicole Tao - Guelph

11:00 AM CLASS P121

Classical Era (1750 - 1825)

Open - Associate

Own choice from 1750 to 1825.

1. Alison Zhang - Kitchener
2. Ya-tsun Tang - Guelph
3. Katherine Zhang - Guelph

MONDAY AFTERNOON, APRIL 03, 2017

GUELPH YOUTH MUSIC CENTRE

Adjudicator - Stéphan Sylvestre

SENIOR PIANO

1:30 PM CLASS P145

Romantic Era (1825 - 1900)

16 & Under - Level 8

Own choice from 1825 to 1900.

1. Lucy Mason - Guelph
2. Grace Ma - Guelph
3. Henry Peirson - Guelph
4. Peter Kosir - Guelph
5. Orion Li - Kitchener
6. Katrina Seufert - Guelph

2:20 PM CLASS P143

Romantic Era (1825 - 1900)

20 & Under - Level 10

Own choice from 1825 to 1900.

1. William Meng - Guelph
2. Ben Wallace - Guelph
3. Alexia Gal - Guelph
4. Yushi Wang - Guelph

3:20 PM CLASS P123

Classical Era (1750 - 1825)

20 & Under - Level 10

Own choice from 1750 to 1825.

1. XiaoXiao Long - Guelph
2. Ben Wallace - Guelph
3. Yushi Wang - Guelph

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morning April 4 at Guelph Youth Music Centre.

MONDAY EVENING, APRIL 03, 2017

GUELPH YOUTH MUSIC CENTRE

Adjudicator - Stéphan Sylvestre

SENIOR PIANO

6:00 PM CLASS P601

Improvisation - N/C

Senior - Level 8 & Over

Theme material will be supplied by the adjudicator at the time of performance; playing time of 3 - 5 minutes.

1. Daniella Kistemaker - Guelph

6:15 PM CLASS P344

Romantic & 20th-21st Century (Adult)

Level 8 & Over

Own choice. Time limit of 10 minutes.

1. Jeff Wilson - Moffat

6:30 PM CLASS P402

Baroque Era - N/C

Level 10

Own choice from 1600 to 1750.

1. Andrew Dong - Guelph

6:40 PM CLASS P101

Baroque Era (1600 - 1750)

Open - Associate

Own choice from 1600 to 1750.

1. Katherine Zhang - Guelph

6:55 PM CLASS P422

Classical Era - N/C

Level 10

Own choice from 1750 to 1825.

1. William Meng - Guelph
2. Andrew Dong - Guelph

7:30 PM CLASS P155

20th & 21st Century

Open - Associate

Own choice from List D.

1. Yun-chi Tang - Guelph
2. Katherine Zhang - Guelph

8:00 PM CLASS P455

20th & 21st Century - N/C

Open

Own choice from 1900 to present.

1. Seungmin Yu - Guelph
2. Grace Geng - Puslinch

8:25 PM CLASS P441

Romantic Era - N/C

Open

Own choice from 1825 to 1900.

1. Grace Geng - Puslinch
2. Seungmin Yu - Guelph

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TUESDAY MORNING, APRIL 04, 2017
GUELPH YOUTH MUSIC CENTRE
Adjudicator - Stéphan Sylvestre
SENIOR PIANO

9:00 AM CLASS P161
20th & 21st Century
18 & Under - Level 9

Own choice.

1. Ginny Wang - Waterloo
2. Liam Kovich - Rockwood

9:20 AM CLASS P144
Romantic Era (1825 - 1900)
18 & Under - Level 9

Own choice from 1825 to 1900.

1. Toan Nguyen - Cambridge
2. Ginny Wang - Waterloo

9:45 AM CLASS P124
Classical Era (1750 - 1825)
18 & Under - Level 9

Own choice from 1750 to 1825, excluding

1. Myra Freeman - Rockwood
2. Sachitha Wijekoon - Guelph
3. Toan Nguyen - Cambridge
4. Elizabeth Mirota - Guelph

10:35 AM CLASS P104
Baroque Era (1600 - 1750)
18 & Under - Level 9

Own choice from 1600 to 1750.

1. Bill Vu - Kitchener
2. Toan Nguyen - Cambridge
3. Henry Peirson - Guelph
4. Ginny Wang - Waterloo

11:15 AM CLASS P125
Classical Era (1750 - 1825)
16 & Under - Level 8

Own choice from 1750 to 1825.

1. Minne Deng - Guelph
2. Bill Vu - Kitchener
3. Orion Li - Kitchener
4. Sophie Gharabaghi - Guelph

TUESDAY AFTERNOON, APRIL 04, 2017
GUELPH YOUTH MUSIC CENTRE
Adjudicator - Stéphan Sylvestre
SENIOR PIANO

ROOM 101

1:30 PM CLASS P276

Concerto

Elementary (Age 10 & Under)

One fast movement from any Concerto.

Time limit of 10 minutes.

1. Vikas Chari - Oakville
2. Bill Vu - Kitchener

2:00 PM CLASS P275

Concerto

Junior (Ages 11 - 12)

One fast movement from any Concerto.

Time limit of 15 minutes.

1. Kailas Chari - Oakville

2:15 PM CLASS P612

Concerto - N/C

Senior (Ages 15 - 16)

*Two consecutive movements from any
Advanced Concerto or one complete through
composed Concerto. Time limit of 20 minutes.*

1. Andrew Dong - Guelph

RECITAL HALL

2:50 PM CLASS P442

Romantic Era - N/C

Level 10

Own choice from 1825 to 1900.

1. Andrew Dong - Guelph

3:05 PM CLASS P263

Duets

16 & Under - Level 8

Own choice.

1. Kailas & Vikas Chari - Oakville

3:15 PM CLASS P279

Solo Concert Group "A"

Level 9

Own choice of minimum of 3 works.

Time limit of 20 minutes.

1. Kailas Chari - Oakville

WEDNESDAY MORNING, APRIL 05, 2017
GUELPH YOUTH MUSIC CENTRE
Adjudicator - Stéphan Sylvestre
SENIOR PIANO

9:00 AM CLASS P159

**20th & 21st Century
20 & Under - Level 10**

Own choice from List D.

1. Ben Wallace - Guelph
2. Yushi Wang - Guelph
3. Nicole Tao - Guelph
4. Alexia Gal - Guelph

9:40 AM CLASS P160

**20th & 21st Century
20 & Under - Level 10**

Own choice from List E.

1. Luke Hodgson - Cambridge
2. Ben Wallace - Guelph
3. Alexia Gal - Guelph

10:10 AM CLASS P162

**20th & 21st Century
16 & Under - Level 8**

Own choice.

1. Sophie Gharabaghi - Guelph
2. Elizabeth Mirotta - Guelph
3. Orion Li - Kitchener
4. Katrina Seufert - Guelph
5. Fierce DunnDufault - Guelph
6. Abigail Ferguson-Donaldson - Guelph

11:10 AM CLASS P458

**20th & 21st Century - N/C
Level 8**

Own choice from 1900 to present.

1. Chessy Yin - Guelph

11:20 AM CLASS P457

**20th & 21st Century - N/C
Level 9**

Own choice from 1900 to present.

1. Mathilde Tardif - Guelph

11:30 AM CLASS P623

**Solo Concert Group "A" - N/C
Level 8**

Own choice of minimum of 3 works.

Time limit of 15 minutes.

1. Chessy Yin - Guelph
2. Sarah Hodgson - Cambridge
3. Philip Liu - Guelph

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WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, APRIL 05, 2017

GUELPH YOUTH MUSIC CENTRE

Adjudicator - Stéphan Sylvestre

SENIOR PIANO

1:15 PM CLASS P404

Baroque Era - N/C

Level 8

Own choice from 1600 to 1750.

1. Philip Liu - Guelph
2. Chessy Yin - Guelph

1:30 PM CLASS P403

Baroque Era - N/C

Level 9

Own choice from 1600 to 1750.

1. Joanna Hui - Guelph
2. Avrey Ferguson-Donaldson - Guelph

1:50 PM CLASS P443

Romantic Era - N/C

Level 9

Own choice from 1825 to 1900.

1. Mathilde Tardif - Guelph
2. Joanna Hui - Guelph

2:15 PM CLASS P174

Canadian Composers

16 & Under - Level 8

Own choice.

1. Minne Deng - Guelph
2. Sasha Seufert - Guelph

2:30 PM CLASS P185

By Grade

Level 9 - Ages 19 & Up

Own choice - Classical Era (1750-1825).

1. Katrina Seufert - Guelph

2:40 PM CLASS P189

By Grade

Level 8 - Ages 17 & Up

Own choice - Classical Era (1750-1825).

1. Sasha Seufert - Guelph

2:55 PM CLASS P493

By Age - N/C

Age 16 & Under

Own choice.

1. Seungmin Yu - Guelph

3:10 PM CLASS J211

Piano - N/C - Ragtime

Senior - Advanced

1. Lydia Choong - Guelph

3:20 PM CLASS J221

Piano - Ragtime

Senior - Advanced

1. Myra Freeman - Rockwood

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THURSDAY MORNING, APRIL 06, 2017

GUELPH YOUTH MUSIC CENTRE

Adjudicator - Stéphan Sylvestre

SENIOR PIANO

9:00 AM CLASS P654

Sight Reading - N/C

Level 8

1. Philip Liu - Guelph

9:05 AM CLASS P653

Sight Reading - N/C

Level 9

1. Joanna Hui - Guelph

9:15 AM CLASS P652B

Sight Reading - N/C

Level 10

1. Madeline Firmi-Medensky - Kitchener
2. Haley Firmi-Medensky - Kitchener

9:30 AM CLASS P651

Sight Reading - N/C

ARCT

1. Alison Zhang - Kitchener
2. Grace Geng - Puslinch

9:45 AM CLASS P665

Quick Study - N/C

Level 8

1. Orion Li - Kitchener

9:55 AM CLASS P663

Quick Study - N/C

Level 10

1. Kayla Zhang - Kitchener

10:05 AM CLASS P643

Studies - N/C

Level 8

1. Chessy Yin - Guelph
2. Philip Liu - Guelph

10:25 AM CLASS P641

Studies - N/C

Level 10

1. Madeline Firmi-Medensky - Kitchener

10:45 AM CLASS P301

Studies - Level 10

1. Alexia Gal - Guelph

11:00 AM CLASS P300

Studies - ARCT

1. Michael Xu - Guelph
2. Mason Fan - Arkell

11:25 AM CLASS P640

Studies - N/C

ARCT

1. Michael Xu - Guelph
2. Grace Geng - Puslinch

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THURSDAY AFTERNOON, APRIL 06, 2017

GUELPH YOUTH MUSIC CENTRE

Adjudicator - Stéphan Sylvestre

SENIOR PIANO

1:30 PM CLASS P621

Solo Concert Group "A" - N/C

Level 10

Own choice of minimum of 2 works.

Time limit of 25 minutes.

1. Haley Firmi-Medensky - Kitchener
2. Andrew Dong - Guelph
3. Madeline Firmi-Medensky - Kitchener

2:55 PM CLASS P652A

Sight Reading - N/C

Level 10

1. Andrew Dong - Guelph

3:00 PM CLASS P622

Solo Concert Group "A" - N/C

Level 9

Own choice of minimum of 3 works.

Time limit of 20 minutes.

1. Mathilde Tardif - Guelph
2. Elsa Schouten - Waterdown
3. Joanna Hui - Guelph

3:55 PM CLASS P190

By Grade

Level 8 - Ages 17 & Up

Own choice - Romantic Era (1825-1900).

1. Sasha Seufert - Guelph

4:05 PM CLASS P262

Duets

18 & Under - Level 9

Own choice.

1. The Waves - Guelph

4:15 PM CLASS P563

Duets - N/C

16 & Under

Own choice.

1. Leah Hutten & Julieanne Selles - Elora

4:30 PM CLASS P562

Duets - N/C

18 & Under

Own choice. Time limit of 8 minutes.

1. Alison & Kayla Zhang - Kitchener

THURSDAY EVENING, APRIL 06, 2017

GUELPH YOUTH MUSIC CENTRE

Adjudicator - Stéphan Sylvestre

SENIOR PIANO

6:00 PM CLASS P347

Solo Concert Group "A" (Adult)

Level 8 & Over

Own choice. Time limit of 20 minutes.

1. Hillary Schlaht - Guelph

6:15 PM CLASS P620

Solo Concert Group "A" - N/C

Open - Associate Level

Own choice of minimum of 2 works.

Time limit of 25 minutes.

1. Grace Geng - Puslinch

6:35 PM CLASS P141

Romantic Era (1825 - 1900)

Open - Associate

Own choice from 1825 to 1900.

1. Mason Fan - Arkell
2. Katherine Zhang - Guelph

7:00 - 9:00 PM

Senior Piano Masterclass

The Adjudicator will select up to 8 performers who will be invited to participate in the Masterclass. Each performer will play one piece previously performed at the Festival as selected by the adjudicator. Individual lessons will last up to 20 minutes, but all performers are expected to stay for the entire Masterclass. Performers will be selected at the sole discretion of the Adjudicator for teaching purposes, and may not necessarily be prize winners. An additional fee of \$25 will be collected prior to the Masterclass, payable to the Kiwanis Music Festival of Guelph.