

# THE MONTREAL INTERNATIONAL MUSICAL COMPETITION 2014 PIANO EDITION REVEALS TOP THREE PRIZEWINNERS

# Laureates will perform with the Orchestre symphonique de Montréal conducted by Maestro Giancarlo Guerrero

**Montreal, June 4, 2014** — Following ten days of intense high-level competition, the Montreal International Musical Competition (MIMC) culminated with the announcement of the top three prizewinners of its 2014 piano edition.

# JAYSON GILLHAM (Australia/UK)

1st Prize • \$30,000

### **CHARLES RICHARD-HAMELIN** (Canada)

2<sup>nd</sup> Prize • \$15,000 Prize for the Best Canadian Artist • \$5,000 Offered by the Bourbeau Foundation

# **ANNIKA TREUTLER** (Germany)

3<sup>rd</sup> Prize • \$10,000

"When I hear young performers of this calibre already demonstrating so much self-assurance, musicality and passion, I have no doubt that the future of our art is in good hands... they are so incredibly talented that they make my job easy!" declared Maestro Giancarlo Guerrero, who is making his Montreal debut this week at the MIMC.

Following the Quarter-final round in which 24 pianists from 15 countries competed at Salle Bourgie between May 26 and 28, twelve semi-finalists took the same stage on May 30 and 31. Six of them performed a concerto of their choice with the Orchestre symphonique de Montréal during the Finals on June 3 and 4 at the Maison symphonique de Montréal.

Don't miss the closing gala concert at the Maison symphonique on June 6 at 7:30 pm and be there to applaud the laureates who will be performing with the Orchestre symphonique de Montréal under the direction of Maestro Guerrero right after the official awards ceremony.

In addition to the laureates' recitals, Ukrainian pianist Serhiy Salov will perform an improvisation. Winner of the first edition of the Richard Lupien Improvisation Prize, a classical prize of international calibre held for the first time on May 20 at the Tanna Schulich Hall of McGill University, Serhiy Salov was also the First Prize winner of the first MIMC piano edition back in 2004.

The musical programme will be available on the eve of the concert on our Website www.concoursmontreal.ca.

#### WHERE AND WHEN TO HEAR THE LAUREATES

GALA CONCERT

**JUNE 6,** 7:30 p.m.

Maison symphonique de Montréal Orchestre symphonique de Montréal Guest Conductor: Giancarlo Guerrero

\$45, \$32, \$21

\$22.50, \$16, \$10.50 student, 60+

#### INFORMATION AND BOX OFFICE

Tickets for the Gala Concert of the laureates are available at the Place des arts box office: <a href="https://www.laplacedesarts.com">www.laplacedesarts.com</a> | 514-842-2112 | 1 866-842-2112.

## **COVERAGE & SPECIAL PROGRAMS**

#### ON-AIR

### CBC RADIO 2 / 93.5 FM in Montréal

Sunday, June 8, 11 a.m. / In Concert. Full Competition highlights.

#### ONLINE

Streaming of Semi-Finals and Finals will be available on icimusique.ca/cmim and cbcmusic.ca/mimc for listening on demand for one year.

More details: www.concoursmontreal.ca

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The Montreal International Musical Competition seeks to discover and support young singers, violinists, and pianists who have distinguished themselves as masters of their art. Since its first edition dedicated to voice in 2002, 2,300 candidates have applied to take part in the competition, with 350 given the opportunity to perform in Montreal, to the great delight of music lovers. Presented by Hydro-Québec, the MIMC is proud to count on the support of such major arts partners as Radio-Canada and the Orchestre symphonique de Montréal.

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