



Press release
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**MONTREAL INTERNATIONAL MUSICAL COMPETITION – VOICE 2012:
AND THE SEMI-FINALISTS ARE...**

Montreal, Thursday, May 31, 2012 – The Montreal International Musical Competition (MIMC) announces the sixteen semi-finalists and the detailed schedule of the Semi-finals (Bourgie Concert Hall, Montreal Museum of Fine Arts):

FRIDAY, JUNE 1

1st session

7:30 p.m.: Emily Duncan-Brown, soprano, Canada

8:00 p.m.: Yuri Gorodetski, ténor, Biélorussie

8:30 p.m.: Eric Jurenas, countertenor, United States

Break

9:30 p.m.: Sasha Djihanian, soprano, Canada

10:00 p.m.: Miriam Khalil, soprano, Canada

10:30: p.m.: John Brancy, baritone, United States

SATURDAY, JUNE 2

2nd session

1:30 p.m.: Irina de Baghy, mezzo-soprano, Canada

2:00 p.m.: Jacqueline Woodley, Soprano, Canada

2:30 p.m.: Jennifer Taverner, soprano, Canada

Break

3:30 p.m.: Yohan Yi, bass baritone, South Korea

4:00 p.m.: Andréanne, Paquin, soprano, Canada

4:30: p.m.: Philippe Sly, bass baritone, Canada

3rd session

7:30 p.m.: Sidney Outlaw, baritone, United States

8:00 p.m.: Magdalena Wór, mezzo-soprano, Poland

8:30 p.m.: Won Whi Choi, tenor, South Korea

9:00 p.m. : Olga Kindler, soprano, Switzerland

*Deliberation & announcement
of the finalists*

The complete musical programme of each round is available at www.concoursmontreal.ca

The announcement of the eight finalists will be made following the last Semi-final session on Saturday, June 2. The announcement of the laureates will be made following the last Final session on Wednesday, June 6.

BROADCAST SCHEDULE – SEMI-FINALS

CONCERT HALL

BOURGIE CONCERT HALL MONTREAL MUSEUM OF FINE ARTS

JUNE 1, 7:30 p.m.

JUNE 2, 1:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

Per session: \$20 / \$10 student

WEB

RADIO-CANADA.CA/CMIM

FRIDAY, JUNE 1, 7:30 p.m

SATURDAY, JUNE 2, 1:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m

Live audio webcast

RADIO – SPECIAL PROGRAMS

ESPACE MUSIQUE | 100.7 FM in Montreal

SATURDAY, JUNE 2, 12 p.m.

L'Opéra du samedi: The jury performs! | Host/Producer: Sylvia L'Écuyer

SUNDAY, JUNE 3, 10 p.m.

Le Printemps des musiciens:

Past laureates – Where are they now? | Host: Françoise Davoine

MONDAY, JUNE 4, 8 p.m.

Soirées classiques: Meet the finalists | Host: Michel Keable | Guest: Mario Paquet

INFORMATION AND BOX OFFICE:

DON'T MISS THE GALA CONCERT ON FRIDAY, JUNE 8!

With the **Orchestre symphonique de Montréal** conducted by Alain Trudel

PASSPORTS AND PACKAGES:

Montreal International Musical Competition

514-845-4108, extension 0

SINGLE TICKETS:

Bourgie Concert Hall, in Montreal Museum of Fine Arts: 1339, rue Sherbrooke Ouest

514-285-4108, ext. 0

Maison symphonique de Montréal: 1600, rue Saint-Urbain

Place des Arts Box office : 514 842-2112

NOT TO BE MISSED: *OFF* COMPETITION!

The MIMC also invites you take to part in the free voice-related activities for one and all in Place des Arts' Espace culturel Georges-Émile-Lapalme:

MUSIC WORKSHOPS FOR CHILDREN: MEGAPHONE | 3 to 9 year-olds

Saturday June 2 & Sunday June 3

1 p.m. to 3 p.m. | Duration: 20 min.

Crafts and voice workshop | Families welcome!

HAPPY HOUR CONCERTS

At the Place Deschamps Wine Bar

June 2 & 3 and June 5 to 8 | 5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m

Saturday, June 2: Jean Félix Mailloux and Sonia Johnson Duo

Sunday, June 3: QW4RTZ

Tuesday, June 5: Univers baroque

Wednesday, June 6: Chantal Jourdan: Ça Jazze Chez Nous!

Friday, June 8: Brigitte Saint-Aubin

More details: <http://concoursmontreal.ca/permanent/en/horaire/activites.asp>

MASTER CLASSES | JUNE 3

Renata Scotto and Sir Thomas Allen, two of the international jury members, will offer master classes open to the public, at the Bourgie Concert Hall, in Montreal Museum of Fine Arts:

2:30 p.m.: Renata Scotto (In French)

7:00 p.m.: Sir Thomas Allen (In English)

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The MIMC plays a key role in the finest tradition of classical concert music. The Competition seeks to discover and support young singers, violinists, and pianists who have distinguished themselves as masters of their art. Since the very first edition, dedicated to voice in 2002, nearly 2,000 candidates have applied to take part in the various editions, and, of these, more than 300 were given the opportunity to perform in Montreal, to the great delight of music lovers. The MIMC is a member of the World Federation of International Music Competitions, and of the Alink-Argerich Foundation.

More details: www.concoursmontreal.ca

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