#### THE MONTREAL INTERNATIONAL MUSICAL COMPETITION AWARDS THE 2015 VOICE EDITION SPECIAL PRIZES

## Radio-Canada People's Choice Award goes to South Korean Soprano Hyesang Park

**Montreal, June 5, 2015** — The Montreal International Musical Competition announces the names of the winners of the special awards and would like to congratulate all the participants of the 2015 Voice edition. The winners share over \$80,000 in prizes (eight awards and three grants):

# SPECIAL PRIZES

#### Lied and French Art Song Prize

Offered by Clarence and Arija Stiver \$5,000 Anaïs CONSTANS, Soprano (France)

## Award for the Best Canadian Artist

Offered by the Bourbeau Foundation \$5,000 France BELLEMARE, Soprano (Canada)

Joseph Rouleau Award for the Best Artist from Quebec Offered by François R. Roy \$5,000 France BELLEMARE, Soprano (Canada)

Radio-Canada People's Choice Award \$5,000 Hyesang PARK, Soprano (South Korea)

## Award for the best semi-final recital

Offered by Tourisme Montréal \$2,500 Anaïs CONSTANS, Soprano (France)

#### MIMC Grants

For the three unranked finalists Offered by Maurice Deschamps, Peter Hunt and Joseph Rouleau \$2,000 Anaïs CONSTANS, Soprano (France) Vasil GARVANLIEV, Baritone (Macedonia) Takaoki ONISHI, Baritone (Japan)

## **MAIN PRIZES**

**First Prize**: \$30,000 Offered by the Ville de Montréal **Keonwoo KIM**, Tenor (South Korea)

Second Prize: \$15,000 Offered by Canimex Hyesang PARK, Soprano (South Korea)

Third Prize: \$10,000 Offered by Cogeco France BELLEMARE, Soprano (Canada)

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The mission of the Montreal International Musical Competition is to discover and support young singers, violinists and pianists who demonstrate exceptional mastery of their art. The MIMC is the only international competition in North America to be held annually and to present three disciplines in a three-year rotation. Since its first edition dedicated to voice in 2002, more than 2,400 hopefuls have entered the Competition and over 400 have performed in Montreal, much to the delight of music lovers.

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