

**ONE MONTH TO GO UNTIL THE COMPETITION, THE THRILL IS ON THE AIR!
TAKE PART IN VIOLIN 2023'S FREE ACTIVITIES**
Talks, presentations, film screening, masterclasses

Montreal, March 23, 2023 – With just one month remaining before the competition, the excitement of violin lovers is contagious! Alongside the competition rounds, the Concours musical international de Montréal (CMIM) will be offering a variety of activities for violin enthusiasts, and those who want to discover more about the beauty and wonder of this fascinating instrument.

The CMIM will offer talks, special presentations, and masterclasses for violin students in Montreal. All of these activities are offered **free of charge to audiences**.

The CMIM has multiplied its partnerships in order to celebrate the violin across Montreal and to allow as many people as possible to have access to classical music. Among the partners supporting the CMIM, we can highlight the Jeunesses Musicales Canada Foundation (JM Canada Foundation), the International Festival of Films on Art (Le FIFA), the Conservatoire de musique de Montréal, the Schulich School of Music of McGill University, and the Université de Montréal Faculty of Music.

MOMENTS OF CONNECTION NOT TO BE MISSED!

PRE-CONCERT TALKS

- **Composer Luna Pearl Woolf and the Imposed Canadian Work**
Saturday, April 29th, at 1:15 pm, at Bourgie Hall
The CMIM invited the public to discover a captivating new work for solo violin, *L'inconnu.e bouleversant.e* (loosely translated as "An Astonishing Stranger"), and its composer, Luna Pearl Woolf.
- **Members of the Violin 2023 Jury**
Wednesday, May 3rd, at 6:30 pm, at Maison symphonique .
What is the influence of the members of an international jury on the musical career of a young virtuoso? On what evaluation criteria are the laureates and winners determined?
- **Christiane LeBlanc, Executive and Artistic Director of the CMIM**
Thursday, May 4th, at 6:30 pm at Maison symphonique
After her ten great years at the helm of the CMIM, Christiane LeBlanc shares her wealth of experience and her view on the mission of music competitions.

Pre-concert talks are hosted by Kelly Rice.

PRESENTATION AND FILM SCREENING AT THE CMIM

How can a passion for the violin be made accessible and affordable to all? This is the challenge that violinist Dr. Mary-Elizabeth Brown has taken on. The public is invited to attend a bilingual presentation on the innovative conception of a 3D-printed violin. Creator and project lead Dr. Mary-Elizabeth Brown will offer a talk and demonstration on the numerous possibilities of her \$7 violin.

- **The \$7 3D-Printed Violin and its Creator**
Friday, April 28th, 2:30 to 3:30 pm at Bourgie Hall

CINEMA AT THE CMIM

In collaboration with the International Festival of Films on Art (Le FIFA), the CMIM presents *Janine Jansen: Falling for Stradivari*, which follows the story of the famous Dutch violinist and her quest to find the perfect violin, a Stradivarius.

- **Janine Jansen: Falling for Stradivari** (in English)
Friday, April 28th, at 6:30 to 7:30 pm, at Bourgie Hall

MASTERCLASSES

The transmission of expertise and passion. Students from major music schools in Montreal will have the unique opportunity to participate in masterclasses with members of the international jury. These masterclasses offer exceptional opportunities for students to develop their musical talent and for the public to have a glimpse into the intimate master-student relationship. Masterclasses are presented in partnership with the JM Canada Foundation.

- 1. Salvatore Accardo** (in English)
Friday, April 28th, from 12pm to 2pm, Bourgie Hall
- 2. Koichiro Harada** (in English)
Friday, April 28th, from 3pm to 5 pm, Université de Montréal, Serge-Garant Hall
- 3. Mihaela Martin** (bilingual)
Friday, April 28th, from 4pm to 6 pm, Bourgie Hall
- 4. Lucie Robert** (in French)
Monday, May 1st, from 3pm to 6pm, Conservatoire de musique de Montréal, concert hall

To learn more about the members of the Violin 2023 Jury, visit concoursmontreal.ca

ABOUT THE CMIM

The Concours musical international de Montréal (CMIM) is one of Canada's great cultural achievements. It is an exceptional springboard for classical musicians of the next generation. Over the past 20 years, the CMIM has shone a spotlight on the talent of over 600 international competitors and chosen 85 laureates. Montreal can take great pride in having had participants from over 90 countries perform here on stage!

Violin 2023: Experience the musical energy of passionate violinists, from April 22 to May 4, 2023. Information and Box Office: concoursmontreal.ca

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