



ABOUT TORONTO SUMMER MUSIC

Toronto Summer Music, through its Festival and Academy programs, brings world-renowned performing artists to Toronto for an unparalleled combination of performances and summer music education.

Under the leadership of Artistic Director Jonathan Crow, Toronto Summer Music provides music lovers with an opportunity to enjoy and deepen their knowledge of classical music by bringing audiences together with international artists and emerging professional musicians and singers for a round of concerts, lectures, and master classes. No other musical programming of its kind is available in Toronto in the summer months, when artists of international stature come together to mentor emerging artists and to give outstanding concerts in a series of public performances.

The 2019 Toronto Summer Music Festival (July 11 - August 3) marks the organization's fourteenth season and features 50+ public events including 28 mainstage concerts performed by Canadian and international artists at Koerner Hall, Walter Hall, Church of the Redeemer and Lula Lounge, plus master classes, lectures, workshops, and free outreach concerts. The 2019 Festival theme, ***Beyond Borders***, explores and celebrates the cross-cultural influences that have pervaded classical music from the times of Mozart and Mahler to today.

The Toronto Summer Music Academy brings together young chamber musicians and singers (18 to 35 years old) on full scholarships to study with international faculty of the highest quality and reputation, known as TSM Mentors, in one of two intimate and highly focused programs: *the Chamber Music Institute* (July 8 to August 3, 2019) for string players and pianists, or *Art of Song Program* for singers and pianists (July 8 to 20, 2019). Academy Fellows, as the program participants are named, are exceptionally gifted young musicians on the threshold of their professional careers who are chosen through a rigorous selection process by an international jury panel of specialists led by TSM Artistic Director Jonathan Crow. Thirty-two emerging musicians from six countries have been selected to participate in the 2019 TSM Academy.

The Toronto Summer Music Academy is focused on enhancing music performance skills. As part of the Academy experience these gifted young musicians are integrated into the Toronto Summer Music Festival where they are showcased in the Festival's reGENERATION concerts performing alongside their mentors and guest artists. As well, participants in the Chamber Music Institute have the opportunity to play in ensembles at the Festival's free Academy Lunch Concerts.

The Toronto Summer Music Community Academy provides learning and performance opportunities for advanced adult amateur musicians. The one-week program is intended for advanced amateurs intent on improving their skills with a rigorous daily schedule of rehearsals, coachings and master classes. Community Academy participants can choose from four streams: Chamber Choir, Chamber Music, Piano Masterclass, and the NEW Bass Workshop with Joel Quarrington.

For information on the 2019 Toronto Summer Music Festival and Academy activities call 416-408-0208 or visit www.torontosummermusic.com.