TO SUMMER MUSIC

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 masterclasses. 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 Toronto Summer Music Academy is focused on enhancing music performance skills and encompasses the **Emerging Artist Program** and the **Community Program**. The Emerging Artist Program 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 streams: *Chamber Music Institute* for string players and pianists, or *Art of Song* for singers and pianists. 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. 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 noon Academy concerts.

The TSM Academy – Community Program 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 masterclasses. Community Program participants can choose from three streams: Chamber Choir (on hiatus for 2021), Chamber Music (application deadline June 21, 2021) and Piano Masterclass (on hiatus for 2021).

For information on the 2021 Toronto Summer Music Festival and Academy activities visit <u>www.torontosummermusic.com</u>.

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