

# TO SUMMER MUSIC

NEWS RELEASE

## **TORONTO SUMMER MUSIC ANNOUNCES NEW HORIZONS VIRTUAL FESTIVAL**

**TORONTO (June 7, 2021)** – Today, Toronto Summer Music announced details of the 2021 Festival, themed *New Horizons*, which offers daily performances online from Thursday, July 15 to Sunday, August 1. In addition to performances of chamber music, art song, and dance by renowned artists, the 2021 Festival features kids concerts, and the return of the TSM Academy for Emerging Artists after a one-year hiatus. The TSM Academy offers exceptionally gifted young chamber musicians and singers, between the ages of 18 and 35, a full scholarship to study and perform with guest artists during the TSM Festival.

“For three weeks in July, *New Horizons* looks beyond the challenges of the pandemic, and forward to a better future. We celebrate this summer with a wonderful assortment of music from both past and present, showcasing the resilience and creativity of our featured artists,” said Jonathan Crow, Artistic Director of Toronto Summer Music.

All 2021 Festival online programming is offered FREE thanks to the generous support of TSM funders, sponsors and donors. Visit [torontosummermusic.com](https://torontosummermusic.com) for links to the festival concerts and events.

### **Toronto Summer Music 2021 Festival**

#### **OPENING NIGHT: CHARLES RICHARD-HAMELIN**

Thursday, July 15 at 7:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Livestreamed from: Koerner Hall

Acclaimed Canadian pianist **Charles Richard-Hamelin** performs a selection of classics including Mozart’s *Fantasia in C minor, K.475*, Mozart’s *Piano Sonata No. 14 in C minor, K.457* and *Preludes* by Frédéric Chopin.

#### **GRYPHON TRIO**

Friday, July 16 at 7:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Filmed at: Koerner Hall

Canada’s celebrated **Gryphon Trio** performs an evening of music across centuries and styles including Valentin Silvestrov’s “*Fugitive Visions of Mozart*”, a world premiere by Toronto-based composer Bruce A. Russell, and Ludwig van Beethoven’s *Piano Trio in D major, Op.70, No.1 “Ghost”*.

*The Gryphon Trio is generously supported by Jim Fleck.*

### **REGENERATION 1**

Saturday, July 17 at 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.  
Livestreamed from: Walter Hall

ReGENERATION concerts feature the TSM Academy Fellows – the rising stars of classical chamber music and Art Song – performing on stage with their Mentors, the top pedagogues and performers of today.

### **REGENERATION 2**

Saturday, July 17 at 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.  
Livestreamed from: Walter Hall

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### **REGENERATION 3**

Saturday, July 17 at 7:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.  
Livestreamed from: Walter Hall

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### **BEETHOVEN SONATAS: PART 1**

Sunday, July 18 at 2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.  
Filmed at: Salle Raoul-Jobin – Palais Montcalm (Quebec City)

TSM Artistic Director **Jonathan Crow** and pianist **Philip Chiu** take the TSM stage by storm with a series of five concerts comprising a complete cycle of Beethoven's Sonatas for Piano and Violin. Each concert also features a new composition. Part 1 includes Sonata No. 1 and Sonata No. 5 and "When the Violin" by composer Reena Esmail.

### **BEETHOVEN SONATAS: PART 2**

Monday, July 19 at 7:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.  
Filmed at: Koerner Hall

The duo of violinist **Jonathan Crow** and pianist **Philip Chiu** continue with the second installment featuring Beethoven's Sonatas for Piano and Violin, No. 3 in E-flat Major, Op. 12 and No. 7 in C minor, Op. 30, plus "If life were a mirror" by Kevin Lau.

### **PIECZONKA & PHILCOX IN RECITAL**

Tuesday, July 20 at 7:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.  
Livestreamed from: Walter Hall

Celebrated Canadian soprano **Adrienne Pieczonka** and collaborative piano powerhouse **Steven Philcox** perform this recital featuring Purcell's "Music for a While", selected lieder by Clara Schumann, a selection of melodies by Fauré, "Hermit Songs" by Samuel Barber, and selections of works by George Gershwin.

*Pieczonka & Philcox in Recital is generously supported by Roy & Marjorie Linden and The Stratton Trust.*

### **KIDS CONCERT: GRYPHON TRIO**

Wednesday, July 21 at 11:00 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.

Filmed at: Koerner Hall

The Gryphon Trio and host Joanna Kellam (Rainbow Songs, Love Notes, Solar Stage) explore music making in this fun-filled presentation for the whole family.

### **BACH: CONCERTOS & ARIAS**

Wednesday, July 21 at 7:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Livestreamed from: Trinity St. Paul's United Church

Enjoy an evening celebrating the music of J.S. Bach with this eclectic selection from his oeuvre for strings and voices, performed by TSM Academy Fellows alongside mainstage TSM Festival Artists. The program includes Bach's Cello Suite No. 3 in C Major performed by cellist Rachel Mercer and Concerto for two violins in D minor, and Brandenburg Concerto No. 3. This special concert also features **Sally Ahn**, **Irene Huang**, and **Eden Silverberg**, the three Rising Star Award recipients from our Play Along with Jonathan Crow Challenge, in partnership with the Toronto Symphony Orchestra.

### **ECHO CHAMBER TORONTO**

Thursday, July 22 at 7:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Livestreamed from: Koerner Hall

Chamber music meets dance in this unique audio-visual experience. **Echo Chamber Toronto** is a performance series that intertwines live music and dance in new choreographed works. This special presentation choreographed by **Alysa Pires** featuring six dancers. The evening includes Schubert's Quartettsatz, D.703, Caroline Shaw's "Blueprint", Beethoven's String Quartet No. 6 in B-flat major, Op. 18, No. 6; Carmen Braden's "The Raven Conspiracy" and Britten's String Quartet No. 1 in D Major, Op.25. performed by the **Rosebud String Quartet**.

### **ROMANTIC INSPIRATIONS**

Friday, July 23 at 7:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Filmed at: Koerner Hall

Composers in the Romantic era were often inspired by the works of Ludwig van Beethoven; these pieces all feature their own tip-of-the-hat to the great master. The program begins with pianist **Philip Chiu** performing Souvenir de Huguenots by Louise Farrenc, followed by Wagner's Albumblatt for cello and piano "Romance" featuring cellist **Adrian Fung** and pianist **Philip Chiu**; and Schubert's Auf dem Strom performed by tenor **Asitha Tennekoon**, French hornist **Neil Deland** and pianist **Michael McMahon**. The concert concludes with the String Sextet No. 2 in G Major, Op.36 by Brahms performed by violinists **Mayumi Seiler** and **Jonathan Crow**, violists **Juan-Miguel Hernandez** and **Remi Pelletier**, and cellists **Rachel Mercer** and **Adrian Fung**.

### **REGENERATION 4**

Saturday, July 24 at 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Livestreamed from: Walter Hall

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### **REGENERATION 5**

Saturday, July 24 at 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.  
Livestreamed from: Walter Hall

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### **REGENERATION 6**

Saturday, July 24 at 7:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.  
Livestreamed from: Walter Hall

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### **BEETHOVEN SONATAS: PART 3**

Sunday, July 25 at 2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.  
Filmed at: Koerner Hall

In this third instalment of Beethoven Sonatas, violinist **Jonathan Crow** and pianist **Philip Chiu** perform the Sonata for Piano and Violin, No. 2 in A Major, Op. 12 and Sonata No. 9 in A Major, Op. 47 “Kreutzer”, as well as “Peace” by Jessie Montgomery.

### **BEETHOVEN SONATAS: PART 4**

Monday, July 26 at 7:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.  
Filmed at: Koerner Hall

For the fourth instalment of Beethoven Sonatas, violinist **Jonathan Crow** and pianist **Philip Chiu** perform Sonata for Piano and Violin No. 6 in A Major, Op. 30 and Sonata No. 8 in G Major Op. 30, along with the world premiere of “for all is not lost” by Alice Hong, a TSM commission\*.

*\*This commission is generously supported by The JAGelber Fund.*

### **NEW HORIZONS**

Tuesday, July 27 at 7:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.  
Livestreamed from: Walter Hall

Violinist **Kerson Leong**, cellist **Stéphane Tétreault** and harpist **Angela Schwartzkopf** join forces for this concert featuring Ysaÿe’s Violin Sonata No. 2, Monica Pearce’s “attach”, Fantaisie for Violin and Harp, Op. 124 and Le Cygne (The Swan) by Saint-Saëns, and Ravel’s Sonata for Violin and Cello.

### **KIDS CONCERT WITH NOSQ**

Wednesday, July 28 at 11:00 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.  
Filmed at: Koerner Hall

The New Orford String Quartet and host Joanna Kellam (Rainbow Songs, Love Notes, Solar Stage) explore music making in this fun-filled presentation for the whole family.

### **NEW ORFORD STRING QUARTET: HOMAGE**

Wednesday, July 28 at 7:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Filmed at: Koerner Hall

The acclaimed New Orford String Quartet plays masterful new compositions and an old favourite, all of which pay homage to the musical influences in our lives. The concert features Samy Moussa's Quartet, 'A Letter from the Afterlife' by Dinuk Wijeratne, Caroline Shaw's "Entra'cte" and Mendelssohn's String Quartet No. 2 in A minor, Op. 13.

### **NAO @TSM**

Thursday, July 29 at 7:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.

Livestreamed from: Koerner Hall

The **National Academy Orchestra**, directed by the inimitable **Boris Brott**, presents a thrilling program, including two orchestral works that have been awarded the prestigious Azrieli Music Prize: Kelly-Marie Murphy's "En El Escuro Es Todo Uno: a Double Concerto for Cello and Harp\*" and Avner Dorman's Violin Concerto\*. The concert also includes Kol Nidrei, Op.47 by Max Bruch and Mendelssohn's Violin Concerto in E minor, Op. 64. The NAO is joined by violinist **Kerson Leong**, cellist **Stéphane Tétreault**, and harpist **Angela Schwarzkopf**.

\*Azrieli Music Prize-winning work

*NAO @ TSM is generously supported by the Azrieli Foundation's AMP Performance Fund.*

### **THROUGH BEETHOVEN'S LENS**

Friday, July 30 at 7:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Filmed at: Koerner Hall

Both Franz Schubert and Kelly-Marie Murphy used Beethoven's famous Septet in E-flat Major as the starting point for their compositions. Separated by almost 200 years, both composers look through Beethoven's lens for their inspiration. The program begins with the world premiere of "Artifacts from the Auditory World" by Kelly-Marie Murphy, commissioned by TSM\*, performed by **Andrew Wan**, violist **Barry Shiffman**, cellist **Emmanuelle Beaulieu-Bergeron**, bassist **Michael Chiarello**, clarinetist **Miles Jaques**, French hornist **Neil Deland** and bassoonist **Darren Hicks**. For the second half of the program, Miles Jaques, Neil Deland, Michael Chiarello and Darren Hicks will be joined by the **Rosebud Quartet** to perform Franz Schubert's Octet in F major.

*\*This commission is generously supported by the Ontario Arts Council.*

### **TSM FINALE**

Saturday, July 31 at 11:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Livestreamed from: Temerty Hall

This celebratory finale to the 2021 New Horizons Festival features a full day of concerts featuring our mainstage festival artists, TSM Academy Fellows and Mentors, and more!

### **ENCORE! BEETHOVEN SONATAS: PART 5**

Sunday, August 1 at 2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Filmed at: Koerner Hall

Violinist **Jonathan Crow** and pianist **Philip Chiu** cap off the festival with Sonata for Piano and Violin No. 4 in A minor, Op. 23 and Sonata No. 10 in G Major Op. 96, along with the world premiere of “like years, like seconds” by Gavin Fraser.

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