

# Federation of Canadian Music Festivals PRESS RELEASE For Immediate Release

### 46TH NATIONAL MUSIC FESTIVAL – CANADA'S BEST YOUNG MUSICIANS ANNOUNCED

Edmonton, AB – August 13, 2016 – Canada's prestigious 46th National Music Festival winners are announced! From August 10th to 13th, fifty-five (55) of Canada's best young amateur musicians from across the country, ranging in age from 12 to 28, were hosted in beautiful Edmonton, Alberta to compete and represent their province in nine (9) disciplines: piano, strings, voice, woodwinds, brass, classical guitar, percussion, chamber groups, and musical theatre. Competitions and master classes took place at the Alberta College Campus of MacEwan University and McDougall United Church. The first place winners of each discipline competed for the Festival's Grand Award title and prize of \$5,000 on Saturday, August 13th, at Muttart Hall in the Alberta College Campus of MacEwan University, Edmonton. And the winner is...

## NRS Foundation – Victoria Foundation GRAND AWARD WINNER for \$5,000: Jaeden Izik-Dzurko, piano, from British Columbia (BC)

# Runner-up of the Marilyn Wiwcharuk Memorial Scholarship for \$2500.00 is Xu Kun (Alan) Liu, guitar, from British Columbia (BC)

#### First Place – \$1,500 Prize

Brass: Quinn McGillis (ON)
Chamber: Saudade Trio (AB)
Classical Guitar: Xu Kun (Alan)Liu (BC)
Musical Theatre: Brent Raddall (NS)
Piano: Jaeden Izik-Dzurko (BC)
Strings: Eric Auerbach (AB)
Voice: Alyssa Durnie (AB)
Woodwinds: Rachel Tormamm (ON)
Percussion: Fraser Krips (SK)

Second Place – \$1,000 Prize

Brass: Abby Fuller (SK)

Chamber: Trio Dez (MB)
Classical Guitar: Daniel Ramjatten (ON)
Musical Theatre: Kiel Fredrickson (AB)
Piano: Peter Wang (AB)
Strings: Vivian Ni (NB)

Voice: Noelle Slaney (NFLD) Woodwinds: Jack Li (BC)

Third Place – \$500 Prize

Brass: Kayla Solomon (MB)

Classical Guitar: Sebastian Robles (AB)
Musical Theatre: Rachel Scheibel (BC)

Piano: Jammie Lee (MB) Strings: Katie McBean (ON) Voice: Spencer McKnight (SK) Woodwinds: Sung-Ho Kwon (NB)

#### Special Awards were given to the following competitors

Piano: Jammie Lee (MB)
Voice: Elyse Delaney (NB)
Musical Theatre: Jake Heisler (SK)
Brass: Abby Fuller (SK)
Woodwind: Sung-Ho Kwon (MB)
Guitar: Daniel Ramjatten (ON)
Strings: Vivian Ni (NB)
COSI Scholarship: Spencer McKnight (SK)

**Winners of Choral Classes** were also announced. Choirs from across Canada were adjudicated by live recordings.

The winners are (First Place – \$500 Prize; Second Place – \$250 Prize):

#### Paul J. Bourret Grand Award – Best overall performance by a choir (\$500 Prize)

Lawrence Park C.I. Floreat Women's Choir (ON)
Directed by William Brown

Class 100 - Honourable Barbara A. Hagerman - Best performance by a community choral group 19 & up

First Kokopelli (AB), directed by Scott Leithead

Second Cantebury Trebles (ON), directed by James Caswell

Class 101 – City of Lincoln – Best performance by a choral group of male singers

First Testostertones (Catholic Central High School) (ON), directed by Don Sills

Second Burnaby Central Men's Choir (BC), directed by Carrie Taylor

Class 102 - George S. Mathieson - Best performance by a community choral group 19 & under

First Bach Children's Chorus, Choir III (ON), directed by Linda Beaupré

Second Pembina Trails Voices - Cantemus (MB), directed by Dr. David Sawatzky

Class 103 – Paul J. Bourret – Best performance by a choral group from a single school 19 & under

First Lawrence Park C.I. Floreat Women's Choir (ON) directed by William Brown

Second St. Thomas More Collegiate Chamber Singers (BC), directed by Johnson Lui

Class 104 – Richard W. Cooke – Best performance by a choral ensemble of 8 to 12 singers

First Les Cavalieres de la Salle (ON), directed by Robert Filion

Second Campbell Spirit (SK), directed by Russ Baird

Class 105 - Dr. & Mrs. J.F.K. English - Best performance by a community choral group 16 & under

First Cantilon Junior Chamber Choir (AB), directed by Heather Johnson

Second Bach Children's Chorus (ON), directed by Linda Beaupré

Class 106 - David Ouchterlony - Best performance by a choral group from a single school 16 & under

First St. Bonaventure's College Camerata (NL), directed by Susan Quinn

Second Catholic Central High School Jr. Choir (ON), directed by Cathy Laurenco

Class 107 - Margaret Wharton Memorial - Best performance by a community choral group 12 & under

First Bach Children's Chorus - Choir II (ON), directed by Linda Beaupré

Second Cantaré Children's Choir (AB), directed by Catherin Glaser-Climie

Class 108 – Florine Després – Best performance by a choral group from a single school 12 & under

First Cardston School Senior Choir (AB), directed by Linda Burwell

Second Le Group Allegro (ON), directed by Louise Léveillé

Class 109 - Barbara Clark - Best performance by a community choral group 25 & under

First QVE Youth Choir (Mixed) (NL), directed by Susan Quinn

Second Bach Youth Choir (ON), directed by Linda Beaupré