



45th Anniversary - 2026

Kiwanis Music Festival of Guelph

Welcome to the 45th annual Kiwanis Music Festival of Guelph.

Many thanks to our participants, adjudicators, visitors, donors and sponsors, organizers, volunteers, Board and Committee members, media guests, and venues. We look forward to another wonderful Festival and hope you enjoy this valuable contribution to the cultural life of Guelph and Wellington County.

Please remember that the performers need absolute silence and you must wait to enter or leave the hall until there is a break in the performance. Please turn off all cell phones and other electronic devices. Photos and videos of performances may be taken if the performer has given their permission, but no flash photography and absolutely no recording of the adjudication is permitted. Please remain in your seat and be discreet while recording.

Please join us for the Highlights of the Festival Concert & Awards Ceremony
on Saturday, May 9 at St. George's Church at 7 pm.

It will feature some of the finest performances heard during the Festival,
as well as the presentation of medals and scholarships.

Tickets: \$20/Adults, \$5/Students & Children – Visit gkmf.ca/events

Senior Piano Adjudicator

Dr. Christopher Miranda

Canadian pianist Christopher Miranda's achievements began from an early age, including first prize in the Toronto Symphony Piano Competition, TD National Music Competition, The Mississauga Performing Arts Award, The Kesri Arts Award, The Canada Council Professional Music Grant, and the Felix Galimir Award for Excellence in Chamber Music.

After being a scholarship student of the Young Artist Performance Academy (now Eli Taylor) of the Glenn Gould Professional School at the Royal Conservatory of Music studying with Marina Geringas; he went on to earn his Bachelor and Master of Music Performance degrees with Mariela Orlov at the University of Toronto, an Artist Diploma under the tutelage of Claude Frank at Yale University, and the Doctor of Music in Performance and Literature degree from Indiana University under the mentorship of Menahem Pressler.

Christopher's performances as soloist and chamber musician have been heard on television and radio including on CBC, CJRT 91.1fm, CHCHtv, and Bravo! television. As teacher, he has been guest faculty at universities, music institutions and festivals across the continent, and is an annual competition adjudicator across Ontario. Dr. Miranda has a large private teaching studio online and at home in London, Ontario, and at the #1 People's choice and Consumer choice awarded Mississauga School of Music, and where his students are annual regional and provincial competition winners, recipients of multiple RCM gold medals, and full scholarships to university.



Kiwanis Music Festival of Guelph

Tuesday, April 7, 2026 - Morning

GUELPH YOUTH MUSIC CENTRE

Adjudicator - Christopher Miranda

10:00 AM CLASS P374

Etudes - Level 8

Two contrasting etudes. Time limit of 8 minutes.

1. Amelia Han - Guelph

10:10 AM CLASS P145A

Romantic Era (1825-1900) - 16 & Under - Level 8

Own choice from 1825 to 1900.

1. Ivy Xiang - Guelph
2. Emily Yin - Oakville

10:30 AM CLASS P125

Classical Era (1750-1825) - 16 & Under - Level 8

Own choice from 1750 to 1825.

1. Ivy Xiang - Guelph
2. Sullivan Falls - Guelph
3. Amelia Han - Guelph
4. Faiz Abdullah Khwaja - Oakville

11:10 AM CLASS P105A

Baroque Era (1600-1750) - 16 & Under - Level 8

Own choice from 1600 to 1750.

1. Ivy Xiang - Guelph
2. Sullivan Falls - Guelph
3. Emily Yin - Oakville
4. Faiz Abdullah Khwaja - Oakville
5. Jennifer Lee - Cambridge

11:55 AM CLASS P162A

20th & 21st Century - 16 & Under - Level 8

Own choice. Time limit of 6 minutes.

1. Ivy Xiang - Guelph
2. Amelia Han - Guelph
3. Emily Yin - Oakville
4. Jennifer Lee - Cambridge

12:35 PM CLASS P294

Sonata/Sonatina - Level 8

Any Sonata/Sonatina from any era.

1. Jennifer Lee - Cambridge

12:45 PM CLASS P305

Piano Duets - Elementary (Ages 11 - 12)

Own choice of one piece.

Time limit of 10 minutes.

1. Olivia Yin & Jennifer Lee - Guelph & Cambridge

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Tuesday, April 7, 2026 - Afternoon

GUELPH YOUTH MUSIC CENTRE

Adjudicator - Christopher Miranda

2:30 PM CLASS P773

Solo Concert Group "B"

- 16 & Under - Minimum Level 8 - N/C

Own choice of minimum of 3 selections from one composite work. Time limit of 15 minutes.

1. Olivia Yin - Guelph

2:40 PM CLASS P544

Romantic Era - Level 8 - N/C

Own choice from 1825 to 1900.

1. Finn Oh - Guelph

2. Olivia Yin - Guelph

3:00 PM CLASS P558

20th & 21st Century - Level 8 - N/C

Own choice from 1900 to present.

1. Olivia Yin - Guelph

3:10 PM CLASS P291

Sonata/Sonatina - Open - ARCT & Above

Any Sonata/Sonatina from any era.

1. Sanne Chen

3:30 PM CLASS P102

Baroque Era (1600-1750) - 20 & Over - Level 10

Own choice from 1600 to 1750.

1. Lydia Xu - Oakville

3:40 PM CLASS P342A

Solo Concert Group "A" - Level 10

Own choice of minimum of 2 works.

Time limit of 25 minutes.

1. Lydia Xu - Oakville

2. Christopher Zhou - Oakville

3. Miya Zhang - Mississauga

4:30 PM CLASS P341A

Solo Concert Group "A" - Open - ARCT & Above

Own choice of minimum of 2 works.

Time limit of 25 minutes.

1. Frederick Li - Oakville

5:00 PM CLASS P228

Non-Conservatory Method Books - 13 & Under

Own choice of one piece from a method book other than RCM or Conservatory Canada.

1. Frederick Li - Oakville

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Wednesday, April 8, 2026 - Morning

GUELPH YOUTH MUSIC CENTRE

Adjudicator - Christopher Miranda

9:30 AM CLASS P341B

Solo Concert Group "A" - Open - ARCT & Above

Own choice of minimum of 2 works.

Time limit of 25 minutes.

1. Xinyi (Sophia) Ran - Oakville
2. Shixian Liu - Oakville

10:40 AM CLASS P141A

Romantic Era (1825-1900) - Open - ARCT & Above

Own choice from 1825 to 1900.

1. Kevin Wang - Guelph
2. Xinyi (Sophia) Ran - Oakville

11:10 AM CLASS P342B

Solo Concert Group "A" - Level 10

Own choice of minimum of 2 works.

Time limit of 25 minutes.

1. Alden Li - Mississauga
2. Delaney Sorichetti - Durham

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Wednesday, April 8, 2026 - Afternoon

GUELPH YOUTH MUSIC CENTRE

Adjudicator - Christopher Miranda

1:30 PM CLASS P103A

Baroque Era (1600-1750) - 20 & Under - Level 10

Own choice from 1600 to 1750.

1. Kevin Wang - Guelph
2. Alden Li - Mississauga
3. Leif Snyder - Guelph

2:05 PM CLASS P159A

20th & 21st Century - 20 & Under - Level 10

Own choice from List D. Time limit of 10 minutes.

1. Emily Yu - Oakville
2. Alden Li - Mississauga

2:40 PM CLASS P143A

Romantic Era (1825-1900) - 20 & Under - Level 10

Own choice from 1825 to 1900.

1. Emily Yu - Oakville

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Wednesday, April 8, 2026 - Evening

GUELPH YOUTH MUSIC CENTRE

Adjudicator - Christopher Miranda

6:00 PM CLASS P105B

Baroque Era (1600-1750) - 16 & Under - Level 8

Own choice from 1600 to 1750.

1. Yanchen (Horace) Fan - Oakville
2. Sophia Tare - Guelph
3. Jonathan Qian - Oakville
4. Zeyuan (Joshua) Chu - Oakville

7:05 PM CLASS P162B

20th & 21st Century - 16 & Under - Level 8

Own choice. Time limit of 6 minutes.

1. Yanchen (Horace) Fan - Oakville
2. Sophia Tare - Guelph

6:30 PM CLASS P145B

Romantic Era (1825-1900) - 16 & Under - Level 8

Own choice from 1825 to 1900.

1. Jonathan Qian - Oakville
2. Yanchen (Horace) Fan - Oakville
3. Zeyuan (Joshua) Chu - Oakville
4. Sophia Tare - Guelph

7:25 PM CLASS P824

Romantic & 20th - 21st Century - Adult

- Level 8 & Over - N/C

Own choice. Time limit of 10 minutes.

1. Eriko Seto - Cambridge
2. Kwame Badoe - Guelph

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Thursday, April 9, 2026 - Morning

GUELPH YOUTH MUSIC CENTRE

Adjudicator - Christopher Miranda

9:00 AM CLASS J201

Jazz Standards - Senior - Advanced

Own choice.

1. Breanna Schweitzer - Guelph

9:10 AM CLASS P144A

Romantic Era (1825-1900) - 18 & Under - Level 9

Own choice from 1825 to 1900.

1. Jason Yu - Guelph
2. Breanna Schweitzer - Guelph
3. Justin Dong - Oakville
4. Patrick Yu - Oakville
5. Katie Chai - Guelph
6. Samantha Nikhil - Cambridge

10:20 AM CLASS P161

20th & 21st Century - 18 & Under - Level 9

Own choice. Time limit of 6 minutes.

1. Patrick Yu - Oakville
2. Justin Dong - Oakville

10:40 AM CLASS P104

Baroque Era (1600-1750) - 18 & Under - Level 9

Own choice from 1600 to 1750.

1. Charles Wang - Milton
2. Selina Fee - Mississauga
3. Patrick Yu - Oakville
4. Avelyn Lai - Mississauga
5. Derek Cheng - Guelph
6. Samantha Nikhil - Cambridge

BREAK: 11:45-12:00

12:00 PM CLASS P144B

Romantic Era (1825-1900) - 18 & Under - Level 9

Own choice from 1825 to 1900.

1. Cynthia Li - Oakville
2. Avelyn Lai - Mississauga
3. Derek Cheng - Guelph
4. Charles Wang - Milton
2. Selina Fee - Mississauga

12:55 PM CLASS P124

Classical Era (1750-1825) - 18 & Under - Level 9

Own choice from 1750 to 1825, excluding Scarlatti.

1. Helen Ma - Oakville
2. Charles Wang - Milton
3. Cynthia Li - Oakville
4. Derek Cheng - Guelph

1:40 PM CLASS P173

Canadian Composers - 18 & Under - Level 9

Own choice. Time limit of 8 minutes.

1. Helen Ma - Oakville

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Thursday, April 9, 2026 - Afternoon

GUELPH YOUTH MUSIC CENTRE

Adjudicator - Christopher Miranda

3:00 PM CLASS P272

Music from Around the World - 20 & Under - Level 10

Own choice of one piece from any era by a composer from outside North America.

1. Anna Mariya Kowalczyk - Mississauga

3:15 PM CLASS P188

Level 8 - Ages 17 & Up

Own choice - Baroque Era (1600-1750).

1. Sylvan Janleigh - Guelph
2. Mariam Hailu - Guelph

3:30 PM CLASS P372

Etudes - Level 10

Two contrasting etudes. Time limit of 10 minutes.

1. Anna Mariya Kowalczyk - Mississauga

3:45 PM CLASS P191

Level 8 - Ages 17 & Up

Own choice - 20th or 21st Century.

1. Sylvan Janleigh - Guelph
2. Mariam Hailu - Guelph

4:00 PM CLASS P736

Composition - Senior - N/C

An original composition was adjudicated in March.

If deemed appropriate for performance, the composition will be heard at this time.

1. Alice Sun - Oakville

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Friday, April 10, 2026 - Morning
GUELPH YOUTH MUSIC CENTRE
Adjudicator - Christopher Miranda

9:00 AM CLASS P141B

Romantic Era (1825-1900) - Open - ARCT & Above
Own choice from 1825 to 1900.

1. Elaine Wang - Oakville
2. Tiger Shen - Oakville
3. Arya Nuthulapati - Oakville
4. Reanna Ma - Oakville

9:50 AM CLASS P155

20th & 21st Century - Open - ARCT & Above
Own choice from List D. Time limit of 10 minutes.

1. Arya Nuthulapati - Oakville
2. Reanna Ma - Oakville
3. Elaine Wang - Oakville
4. Tiger Shen - Oakville

10:35 AM CLASS P156

20th & 21st Century - Open - ARCT & Above
Own choice from List E. Time limit of 10 minutes.

1. Giorgio Piscitelli - Guelph

10:55 AM CLASS P171

Canadian Composers - Open - ARCT & Above
Own choice. Time limit of 12 minutes.

1. Arya Nuthulapati - Oakville

11:05 AM CLASS P121

Classical Era (1750-1825) - Open - ARCT & Above
Own choice from 1750 to 1825.

1. Giorgio Piscitelli - Guelph
2. Elaine Wang - Oakville

11:45 AM CLASS P244

Popular Selections - 16 & Under
Own choice of one popular piece from any era or genre, including movie and video game music. Time limit of 8 minutes.

1. Arya Nuthulapati - Oakville

11:55 AM CLASS P172

Canadian Composers - 20 & Under - Level 10
Own choice. Time limit of 10 minutes.

1. Aarunya Gomber - Oakville

12:05 PM CLASS P101

Baroque Era (1600-1750) - Open - ARCT & Above
Own choice from 1600 to 1750.

1. Elaine Wang - Oakville

12:15 PM CLASS P292

Sonata/Sonatina - Level 10
Any Sonata/Sonatina from any era.

1. Aarunya Gomber - Oakville

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GUELPH YOUTH MUSIC CENTRE

Adjudicator - Christopher Miranda

1:30 PM CLASS P103B

Baroque Era (1600-1750) - 20 & Under - Level 10

Own choice from 1600 to 1750.

1. Xuyi (Lauren) Zheng - Guelph
2. Anna Mariya Kowalczyk - Mississauga
3. Bryden Chan - Oakville

2:00 PM CLASS P123

Classical Era (1750-1825) - 20 & Under - Level 10

Own choice from 1750 to 1825.

1. Anna Mariya Kowalczyk - Mississauga
2. Bryden Chan - Oakville

2:35 PM CLASS P143B

Romantic Era (1825-1900) - 20 & Under - Level 10

Own choice from 1825 to 1900.

1. Alexander Lai - Mississauga
2. Anna Mariya Kowalczyk - Mississauga
3. Xuyi (Lauren) Zheng - Guelph
4. Bryden Chan - Oakville

3:35 PM CLASS P159B

20th & 21st Century - 20 & Under - Level 10

Own choice from List D. Time limit of 10 minutes.

1. Xuyi (Lauren) Zheng - Guelph
2. Anna Mariya Kowalczyk - Mississauga
3. Alexander Lai - Mississauga