

# The Festival for Creative Pianists

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# Celebration of Student's Best Program

Colorado Mesa University Moss Performing Arts Center Recital Hall Grand Junction, CO

> Saturday, April 15, 2014 7:00 P.M.

Suggested donation: \$10 for adults, \$8 for seniors & \$5 for students; call CMU Box Office (970.248.1604) for advance tickets.

#### • 7:00 PM Awarding of Participation Certificates and Group Photo

All festival contestants: Please be early so we may begin giving out Participation Certificates (and one prize!) to every participant at 7 PM sharp, followed by group photos of everyone onstage.

## • 7:30 PM Celebration of Students' Best Recital

All participants will perform their best selection (chosen by the judges at adjudications).

#### • 8:30 PM (approx.) Awards Ceremony

First Prizes and Honorable Mentions are announced and awarded immediately after the celebratory student recital.

All winners: Congratulations! <u>IMPORTANT</u>: Please contact Lyn Ross (tel: 970.248.1233), administrative assistant, at your convenience, to give her your social security numbers in order to process your prizes. Please be patient; it may take a number of weeks for your checks to be mailed to you.

## REPERTORY IN BOLD IS WHAT WILL BE PLAYED ON TONIGHT'S PROGRAM

# #1 Maria Ali (teacher: Karen Greenhalgh, Littleton, CO)

Igloo (ORIGINAL COMPOSITION BY FEMALE CONTESTANT)

Fantaisie Impromptu, Op. 66 (posth.) by Frederic Chopin (1810-1849)

Sally Saddle (from *Cowboy Jazz*) by Arthur Houle (b. 1955)

Dear You arr. & trans. by Baka Duck (Japanese song)

# SPACE (ORIGINAL COMPOSITION BY FEMALE CONTESTANT)

Genuinely Spontaneous Improvisation ("Ambiguous")

## #2 Patrick DaCosta (teacher: Joy Thompson, Eckert, CO)

## C. S. Theme & Variations [Duet with Caleb Kostreva] by Randall Compton (b. 1954)

Prelude in B minor, Op. 28, No. 6 by Frederic Chopin (1810-1849)

Toccata in E-flat Minor by Aram Khachaturian (1903-1978)

The March (original composition)

Golliwogg's Cakewalk by Claude Debussy (1862-1918)

## #3 Victoria Fedler (teacher: Mary Lean Chavies, Grand Junction, CO)

Intrada by Christoph Graupner (Baroque) (1683-1760)

Prairie Gary (from *Cowboy Jazz*) by Arthur Houle (b. 1955)

Rusty Rag by MELODY BOBER (CONTEMPORARY)

## #4 Joshua Frei (teacher: Catie Mientka, Grand Junction, CO)

Invention #8 in F Major, BWV 779 by J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

Malagueña by Ernesto Lecuona (arr. Gregory Stone) (1895-1963)

## #5 Jordan Haren (teacher: Marge Zollner, Grand Junction, CO)

Sonata in Eb, Op. 81a, i (Das Lebewohl Les Adieux - The Farewell: Adagio – Allegro), by Ludwig van Beethoven (1770-1827)

Fantaisie Impromptu, Op. 66 (posth.) by Frederic Chopin (1810-1849)

#### #6 Caleb Kostreva (teacher: Lisa Bush, Grand Junction, CO)

The End of the Story (Original composition)

**Remembering You (Original composition)** 

## #7 Jonah Kreie (teacher: Marge Zollner, Grand Junction, CO)

Amazing Grace [Christian hymn with words written by the English poet & clergyman John Newton (1725–1807), published in 1779], arr. by Dennis Alexander (b. 1947)

Prelude in C, BWV 939 (from 18 Little Preludes) by J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

Jazz Sonatina I by Robert Vandall (b. 1944)

### #8 Jackie Levitt (teacher: Joy Thompson, Eckert, CO)

Nieznany (ORIGINAL COMPOSITION BY FEMALE CONTESTANT)

Palladio Medley parts I & III by Karl Jenkins (b. 1944), arr. for two pianos by FEMALE CONTESTANT (originally for string quartet) 5:00 [2<sup>nd</sup> piano: Joy Thompson]

The Big City Rag (ORIGINAL COMPOSITION for 2 pianos BY FEMALE CONTESTANT) 3:00 [2<sup>nd</sup> piano: Joy Thompson]

## #11 Greta Thoresen (teacher: Drea Wagner, Sheboygan, WI)

Courante by Dietrich Buxtehude (1637-1707)

Soaring by JENNIFER LINN (CONTEMPORARY)

# The Spirited Suite (ORIGINAL COMPOSITION BY FEMALE CONTESTANT)

The Whimsical Witch

The Fluttering Fairy

The Bizarre Banshee

Improvisation of a waltz: Judges choose the key of C, F, or G & chords  $(I, IV^{6/4}, V^{6/5})$  to change every two measures

Sonatina in C, Op. 39, No. 3 by Frank Lynes (1858-1913)

Improvisation of a Sonatina in C based on a 3-note motive (judges' choice) for the tonic theme [Duet with teacher:] The Water is Wide (Traditional Folk Song), arr. by Robert D. Vandall (b. 1944)

## #12 Andrew Vargas (teacher: Adrienne Sielaff, Breckenridge, CO)

Transcendental Etude No. 1, S. 139 (Preludio) in C by Franz Liszt (1811-1886)

Prelude in C (WTC I) by J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

Consolation No. 3 in D-flat, S. 171 (Self-Taught) by Franz Liszt (1811-1886)

Etude in A (Original composition)

Spontaneous Improvisation by contestant ("Spring Picnic Basket")

The Swan from *Carnival Of The Animals* by Camille Saint-Saëns (1835-1921) (Transcr. by the contestant)

### #9 Gareth Rader (teacher: Catie Mientka, Grand Junction, CO)

Prelude in G Minor, Op. 23 #5 by Sergei Rachmaninoff (1873-1943)

La Cathédrale Engloutie, (Prelude #10 from Preludes Book 1) by Claude Debussy (1862-1918)

Toccata in G, BWV 916 by J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

**Humoresque by Sergei Rachmaninoff (1873-1943)** 

## #10 Jareth Rader (teacher: Catie Mientka, Grand Junction, CO)

Prelude from Partita #1 in Bb major, BWV 825 by J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

Prelude in Bb, Op. 23 #2 by Sergei Rachmaninoff (1873-1943)

[Duet: Gareth & Jareth Rader:] Jupiter from *The Planets* (arr. two pianos by the composer) by Gustav Holst (1874-1934)

We are grateful to **J. B. Hart Music** (downtown Grand Junction) for generously loaning their sound system for the adjudications!



We are also grateful to the following individuals for their support:

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\*Festival participants: Please don't forget to sign in before and after this program!

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- The **2016** Festival for Creative Pianists will be held May 24-26 at the <u>Gifted Music School</u>, Salt Lake City