

2026 VANCOUVER INTERNATIONAL MUSIC FESTIVAL-COMPETITION

FINAL ROUND PROGRAM

Performance order follows the alphabetical order of the competitors' last names

October 9th, 2026

Piano

Venue: Pyatt Hall, VSO School of Music

9:00am-9:30am

Junior Talent (≤ 8)

Competitor	Nationality	Performance Piece(s)	Composer(s)
Simone Chai	USA / Switzerland	Etude op.15 No.9 in F# minor Piano Sonata No. 10 in C Major, K. 330, 3rd movement	Sergei Bortkiewicz Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart
Elaine Gao	USA	Waltz in A-flat major Op69 No1	Frédéric Chopin
Theodore Hui	Canada	Waltz in A Minor, op. posth., B 150 Sonata in C Major, K 545, First Movement	Frédéric Chopin Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart
Jacob Haorui Jia	Canada	Sonatina in D Major, op. 36, no. 6, 1 st Mov Song of the Cavalry, op. 27, no. 29	Muzio Clementi Dmitry Kabalevsky
Mia Song	Canada	Sweet Mister Jelly Roll A Nap on the Porch	Valerie Capers Christine Donkin (Canadian)

9:30am-12:00pm

Young Talent (9–12)

9:30am-10:50am	Competitor	Nationality	Performance Piece(s)	Composer(s)
	Karen Yin-Rui Bai	Canada	Nocturne in D flat Major Op. 27. No. 2	Frédéric Chopin
	Stella Blazek	Canada	Sonatina in F Major op.5 no.2	Ludwig Van Beethoven
	Lillian Chen	Canada	Nocturne No.4 in A Major La marchande d'eau fraiche (No.9 from Histoires: The Merchant of Fresh Water)	John Field Jacques Ibert
	Karina Cheng	Canada	Sonata Op. 2 No.3 3rd movement Nocturne Op. 27 No.2	Ludwig Van Beethoven Frédéric Chopin
	Elliott Sung Kwon Cheon	Canada	Sinfonia No. 15 in B minor, BWV 801 Piano Sonata in F major, K. 332, I. Allegro	Johann Bach Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart
	Maria Cojocari	Canada	Rondo alla Turca Piano Sonata No. 11 in A major, K. 331	Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart Jean Sibelius

		Etude in A minor, Op. 76, No. 2	
Irene Gao	USA	Fantaisie-Impromptu In C# Minor, Op.66	Frédéric Chopin
Cecilia Hu-Taylor	Canada	Rondo Wo048	Ludwig Van Beethoven
Winston Huang	Canada	Consolation No. 2 in E major, S. 172 Shimmer	Franz Liszt Heather Schmidt (Canadian)
Justin Jia	Canada	Rialto Ripples Shimmer	George Gershwin Heather Schmidt (Canadian)
Vanilla Jiang	Canada	Chopin Waltz No.14 in E Minor Sonata in D Major Hob. XVI.37 MVT1	Frédéric Chopin Franz Joseph Haydn
Nolan Kellar	Canada	Fantasia in D Minor, TWV 33:2 Incognito (Jazz Nocturne)	Georg Philipp Telemann Jason Sifford
11:00am-12:20pm			
Charlotte Yan Fung Lee	Canada	Six Variations in F Major, KV.54	Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart
Hoi Lam, Hanna Li	China	Etude in G Minor op. 24 no.15	Giuseppe Concone
Xiang-Xiang Li	Canada	Partita No. 1 in B-flat Major, BWV 825 I. Praeludium Étincelles, Op. 36, No. 6	Johann Sebastian Bach Moritz Moszkowski
Elsie Lin	USA	Eight Memories in Watercolor for Piano Solo	Tan Dun
Joseph Liu	Canada	Rings of Saturn	Alexina Louie (Canadian)
Claire Liu	Canada	Minute Waltz, Op. 64, No. 1 Romeo and Juliet, Op. 75, No. 2 "Scene"	Frédéric Chopin Sergei Prokofiev
Kaspar Ni	Canada	Fantaisie-Impromptu, Op. 66 (posth.)	Frédéric Chopin
Dora Tam	Hong Kong, China	Minuet in G Minor, BWV Anh. 115 Arctic Voices	Christian Petzold Susan Griesdale (Canadian)
Katherine Zi Qi Wang	Canada	Sonata in C Major K545 Sunshower	Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart Martha Hill Duncan (Canadian)
Rachel Wang	Canada	Sonatine, I & II movements	Maurice Ravel
DanDan Xiao Xu	Canada	Sonata E Minor Hob.XVI:34 3rd mvt. Nocturne No 20 in C Sharp minor Op. Posth	Franz Joseph Haydn Frédéric François Chopin
Austin Zhong	Canada	Waltz in C Sharp Minor Op.64 No.2	Frédéric Chopin

1:00pm-3:30pm

Young Artist (13–17)

1:00pm-2:20pm			
Competitor	Nationality	Performance Piece(s)	Composer(s)
Melanie Cheang	USA	Ballade No. 1 in G Minor, Op. 23	Frédéric Chopin

Eny Chen	Canada/USA	Ondine - No. 1 from Gaspard de la Nuit, M.55	Maurice Ravel
Ryan Chu	Canada	Ballade No. 2 in F major, Op. 38	Frédéric Chopin
Yarran Cui	Canada	Sonata Op. 22, 1st mov.	Ludwig van Beethoven
Adley Du	Canada	Piano Sonata No.8 in C minor, Op.13 "Pathetique", First Movement	Ludwig van Beethoven
Cory Fong	Canada	Ballade No.1 in G minor	Frédéric Chopin
Arman Hamedinejad	Iran	polonaise in g sharp minor, op. posth., b 6 Impromptu op 90 no 2 in e flat major	Frédéric Chopin Franz Schubert
Aaron Ko	Canada	Prelude in C Major Op 12 No 7	Sergei Prokofiev
Alvin Lee	USA	Étude Op. 25, No. 11 in A Minor Sonata No. 9 in D Major K311	Frédéric Chopin Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart
2:30pm-3:30pm			
Samantha Lee	Canada	Sonatina in G Major, op. 19/20, no. 1, movement 1 Sweet Mister Jelly Roll	Jan Ladislav Dussek Valerie Capers
Cynthia Lian	Canada & America	Gargoyles, Op. 29	Lowell Liebermann
Jinxin Liu	China	Impromptu in B flat major, D.935 No.3	Franz Schubert
Valery Lou	Canada	Sonata No. 3 in A minor, Op. 28 Prelude No. 21 in B Flat major	Sergei Prokofiev John Burge (Canadian)
Prudence So	Canada	Pathetique Sonata Op. 13 No. 8 (First Movement)	Ludwig Van Beethoven
Angelica Spyrka	Canada	Ballade in F major Op. 38 Prelude Op. 23, No. 7	Frédéric Chopin Sergei Rachmaninoff
Ellie Yen	USA	Piano Sonata No. 3 in F Major, Op. 46 - I. Allegro con moto	Dmitry Kabalevsky
Lucas Yu	Canada	Piano Sonata No.23, Op.57 1st Movement	Ludwig Van Beethoven

4:00pm-6:00pm

Artist (18-35)

Competitor	Nationality	Performance Piece(s)	Composer(s)
Rajat Chowdhury	Indian	Gaspard de la nuit M.55 I. Ondine Scottish Fantasy in F sharp minor op. 28 III. Presto	Maurice Ravel Felix Mendelssohn
Yanni Cui	China	Piano Sonata in F Minor, Op.14: I. Allegro	Robert Schumann
Kristian Cvetkovic	China	Étude Op. 25 No. 1 in A-Flat Major Piano Sonata K 331 No. 11 in A Major, 1st movement	Frédéric Chopin Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

Jiyoon Kim	Canada	Piano Sonata No.6 in A major, Op.82: I. Allegro moderato	Sergei Prokofiev
Yoonjee Lee	South Korea	Forgotten Melodies II, Op. 39, No. 5, Sonata Tragica	Nikolai Medtner
Seana Semchishen	Canada	Prelude and Fugue, Book 2, No.12 The Well Tempered Clavier, The Snow is Dancing	Johann Sebastian Bach Claude Debussy
Kevin Tran	Canada	Piano Sonata No. 3 in F minor, Op. 5 (First movement) Suite quasi Sonata, I. Sostenuto misterioso	Johannes Brahms Kevin Tran
Maksym Tresnytskyi	Ukrainian	Mephisto Waltz No. 1, S. 514	Franz Liszt
Chang Xu	China	La Valse M.72	Maurice Ravel
Mengfei Xue	China	Etudes tableaux op.33 no.4 Le Tombeau De Couperin vi.Toccata	Sergei Rachmaninoff Maurice Ravel
Juncheng Yu	China	Let Hands Speak	Kelly-Marie Murphy (Canadian)

Voice

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6:30pm-8:30pm

Young Artist (13–17)

Competitor	Nationality	Performance Piece(s)	Composer(s)
Thomas FU	China	Ideale	Paolo Tosti
Robin Zhang	Canada	Me voglio fà 'na casa L'appel	Gaetano Donizetti David L. McIntyre (Canadian)

Artist (18–35)

Competitor	Nationality	Performance Piece(s)	Composer(s)
Yingshan Gao	China	Deh, per questo istante solo Von ewiger Liebe	Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart Johannes Brahms
Yumeka Hildreth	New Zealand, Japan	Lerchengesang (4 Gesänge Op.70, No.2) Air de La Folie "Aux langueurs d'Apollon" (Platée)	Johannes Brahms Jean Philippe Rameau
Meiling Ji	Canada	Widmung O mio babbino caro	Robert Schumann Giacomo Puccini
Sarah Richardson	Canada	"Ah! Je suis seule enfin..Dis moi que je suis belle" Thaïs "Och, jaký žal... Ten lásky sen" The Bartered Bride	Jules Massenet Bedřich Smetana
Nelly Seif El Nasr	Canada	Ach, ich fühl's (from Die Zauberflöte) Prendi, per me sei libero (from L'elisir d'amore)	Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart Gaetano Donizetti
Dorothea Unwin	Canada	"Una voce poco fa", Il barbiere di Siviglia The Houses of Tomorrow: No.3, Midnight Prayer	Giaochino Rossini John Greer

Aleksandra Van Looy	Canada	Snow Maiden's Aria Per pietà, bell' idol mio	Nikolai Rimsky-Korsakov Vincenzo Bellini
Ting Wang	China	Deh Vieni, Non Tardar Youkali	Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart Kurt Weill
Laura Zhu	China	"Les oiseaux dans la charmille" from Les contes d'Hoffmann "Der Hölle Rache" from Die Zauberflöte	Jacques Offenbach Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

STRINGS

Venue: Salon, VSO School of Music

9:00am-9:40am

Junior Talent (≤ 8)

Competitor	Nationality	Performance Piece(s)	Composer(s)
Evelyn Chan (Harp)	Canada	Canon In D Habanera Gris	Johann Pachelbel Alfredo Rolando Ortiz
Colin Chan (Violin)	Hong Kong, China	Double violin concerto Habanera de Carmen	Johann Sebastian Bach George Bizet
Yat Shun Christian Lam (Cello)	Hong Kong, China	Concerto in C Minor, I. Allegro molto ma maestoso	Johann Christian Bach
OnDaam Lee (Violin)	South Korea/USA	de Bériot Concerto No. 9 in A minor, 1st Movement	Charles-Auguste de Bériot
Hailey Murata (Violin)	USA / Japan	Praeludium and Allegro	Fritz Kreisler
Clara Neacsu (Violin)	USA	Concerto No.2 in G Major, 3rd Mvt	Friedrich Seitz
Crystal Neacsu (Violin)	USA	Gavotte	Jean Becker

9:40am-10:50am

Young Talent (9–12)

Competitor	Nationality	Performance Piece(s)	Composer(s)
Ji Yu Bae (Cello)	South Korea	Kol Nidrei, Op. 47	Max Bruch
Ziyue CAO (Violin)	Canada	Zigeunerweisen, Op. 20	Pablo de Sarasate
June Liu (Violin)	Hong Kong, China	Zigeunerweisen, Op. 20	Pablo de Sarasate
Ariel Lu (Cello)	Canada	Breval Sonata in C Major (Mov.1) The Easy Winners	Jean Baptiste Scott Joplin
Mengmeng Mai (Cello)	China	Prelude from Cello Suite No.1 in G Major, BWV1007	Johann Sebastian Bach
Emma Sarang Wong (Harp)	Canada	Watching the Wheat Solfeggietto	John Thomas Carl Philipp Emanuel Bach
Kelly Yan (Violin)	USA	Violin Concerto in G minor, RV 315 "Summe"(3rd Movement) Melody, Op.42, No.3	Antonio Vivaldi Piotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky
Alice Yang (Violin)	USA	Polonaise de Concert in D major, Op. 4 Mélodie in E-flat major for Violin and Piano	Henryk Wieniawski Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky

11:00am-12:30pm

Young Artist (13–17)

Competitor	Nationality	Performance Piece(s)	Composer(s)
Kyle Chan (Violin)	Canada	Polonaise de concert, Op.4 Caprice No. 20	Henryk Wieniawski Niccolò Paganini
Justin Choi (Cello)	South Korea	Cello concerto in D minor III. Introduction (Andante) - Allegro viva e	Edouard Lalo
Ethan Choi (Cello)	USA	Hungarian Rhapsody, Op. 68	David Popper
Tanishqa Frederick (Violin)	Canada	Concerto No. 2 in D Minor 1st Mvt	Henryk Wieniawski
Catherine Huo (Guitar)	Canada	BWV 995 Prelude and Tres Vite Clown Down	Johann Sebastian Bach Roland Dyens
Taeyeong Lym (Cello)	South Korea	Cello Concerto in E minor, Op. 85, movement 4 -allegro	Edward Elgar
Calliope Smith (Violin)	USA	Concerto No. 1, 1st Mvmt.	Sergei Prokofiev
Camille Valla Pesendorfer (Violin)	France	Partita n°3 in E major for solo violin, BWV 1006 - Loure Recitativo and Scherzo- Caprice for solo violin, op. 6	Johann Sebastian Bach Fritz Kreisler

12:30pm-1:00pm

Artist (18–35)

Competitor	Nationality	Performance Piece(s)	Composer(s)
Anali Delshadi (Violin)	Iran	Violin Concerto op.14 - 1st Movement (Allegro Moderato)	Samuel Barber
Karen Fu (Violin)	Canada	Violin Concerto No. 3 in B minor, Op. 61, 3rd movement	Camille Saint-Saëns
Seoyoon Lee (Cello)	South Korea	Cello Concerto in B minor, Op. 104, 1st mvt: Allegro	Antonín Dvořák

WOODWINDS

Venue: Salon, VSO School of Music

1:30pm-3:00pm

Young Artist (13–17)

Competitor	Nationality	Performance Piece(s)	Composer(s)
Erya Gu (Flute)	China	Syrinx Aria pour flute et piano	Claude Debussy Jacques Hetu (Canadian)
yuchan lee (Clarinet)	South Korean	Clarinet Concerto no 1 1st movement	Louis Spohr
Colyn Li (Clarinet)	Canada	Grand Duo Concertant	Carl Weber
Haochen Qin (Flute)	China	Concerto pour Flûte et Orchestre, Mov. I and II	Jacques Ibert
Tazzio Zhang (Flute)	China	Sonatine	Henri Dutilleux
Hongfan Zhao (Flute)	Canada	Ibert Concerto 3rd movement	Jacques Ibert

