

AN EXCEPTIONAL DUO

**OLIVER JONES AND DANIEL CLARKE BOUCHARD
TOGETHER AT THE MAISON SYMPHONIQUE**

Montreal, March 4, 2014 – The Montreal International Musical Competition (MIMC) is bringing together 14-year-old pianist Daniel Clarke Bouchard and his mentor, renowned jazz pianist Oliver Jones, for a concert that will see them join forces once again, for the first time on stage at the Maison symphonique de Montréal, on Monday, June 2, at 7:30 pm. *An Exceptional Duo* will offer the audience a musical program reflecting the interests of both musicians, who will take turns performing classical and jazz pieces, bringing their two worlds together for a few numbers. Bassist Éric Lagacé and drummer Jim Doxas, two well-known musicians on the Montreal jazz scene, will also be part of the concert.

“The MIMC has placed the discovery and development of talented young musicians at the core of its mandate. We are happy to be able to give a local young performer—who will perhaps one day take part in the Competition—the opportunity to express himself in a professional context, alongside seasoned and internationally renowned musicians,” stated Christiane LeBlanc, Executive and Artistic Director of the MIMC.

All profits from this benefit concert will go to the MIMC Foundation, for the 2014 Piano edition, which will take place from May 26 to June 6. Preceding the Competition on May 20 will be the Richard Lupien Improvisation Prize, a competition for an all-new classical piano improvisation award, which will be followed with a concert by pianist and improviser Gabriela Montero. All rounds, for both the Competition and the Prize, will be open to the public.

Box office / An Exceptional Duo: www.laplacedesarts.com | 514 842-2112 | 1 866 842-2112
\$22.50 - \$50 (taxes, performance hall fees, and service charges not included)

Details: www.concoursmontreal.ca

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The Montreal International Musical Competition seeks to discover and support young singers, violinists, and pianists who have distinguished themselves as masters of their art. Since its first edition dedicated to voice in 2002, 2,300 candidates have applied to take part in the competition, with 350 given the opportunity to perform in Montreal, to the great delight of music lovers. Presented by Hydro-Québec, the MIMC is proud to count on the support of such major arts partners as Radio-Canada and the Orchestre symphonique de Montréal.

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