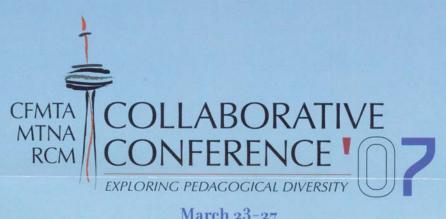


The Royal Conservatory of Music



March 23-27



Highlights

The 2007 MTNA Conference in Toronto,
Ontario, will be a joint conference with the
Canadian Federation of Music Teachers'
Associations, Music Teachers National Association
and The Royal Conservatory of Music. The conference will run Friday, March 23 through Tuesday
evening, March 27.

This conference marks the first time in its history that the MTNA National Conference has been held outside the United States. This Collaborative Conference, held at the Sheraton Centre Toronto Hotel, will explore the similarities and differences in teaching methods across the two countries.

You'll not want to miss this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to interact with your MTNA and Canadian colleagues in this international setting.

Keynote Speakers

James Jordan, author of *The Musician*'s *Walk*, Saturday, March 24, Bramwell Tovey, Vancouver Symphony Orchestra Music Director, Monday, March 26

Master Classes



Marvin Blickenstaff, Sunday, March 25 intermediate piano



Jane Coop, Monday, March 26 collegiate piano



David Wehr, Tuesday, March 27 high school piano

Evening Concerts Yefim Bronfman

Pianist Yefim Bronfman will perform in recital Saturday, March 24 at 8 P.M. at Massey Hall.

Bronfman has won widespread praise for his solo, chamber and orchestral recordings and has played to audiences worldwide in the leading halls of North America, Europe and the Far East. He won the prestigious Avery Fisher Prize in 1991 and a Grammy in 1997, and is considered one of the most talented virtuoso pianists performing today.

Toronto Symphony Orchestra

On Sunday night, March 25, in Roy Thomson Hall, the Toronto Symphony Orchestra, led by conductor Bramwell Tovey, will perform Stephen Chatman's *Over Thorns to Stars*, Beethoven's Piano Concerto No. 4 and Symphony No. 3 "Organ" by Saint-Saëns.

Tovey will be joined by Jane Coop as solo pianist and Patricia Krueger, organist.

Opening Session Concerto Concert

The Opening Session, Friday March 23, will feature 2006 MTNA Senior Piano Competition winner Lo-An Lin and Lucas Porter, winner of the Open Piano Class at Canada's 2006 National Music Festival, playing with Canada's Royal Conservatory of Music Orchestra. Lin is taught by Yoshikazu Nagai, and Porter is taught by John Hansen at Acadia University. The concert is sponsored by the Yamaha Corporation of America and Yamaha Canada Music Ltd.

Pedagogy Friday Exploring Evaluation and Assessment

The Collaborative Conference will open on Friday, March 23 with Pedagogy Friday: Exploring Evaluation and Assessment. All conference attendees are invited to participate in this day-long event hosted by RCM Examinations and co-sponsored by Yamaha Corporation of America and Yamaha Canada Music Ltd.

Pedagogy Friday will present an opportunity for teachers to explore a wide range of approaches to inspiring, motivating and evaluating their students.

The morning session, "Before and After—What to Listen for in Assessing Our Students," will consist of a unique and innovative presentation featuring prerecorded student performances played back on the Yamaha Disklavier synchronized with video. This state-of-the-art technology will enable analysis and discussion of selected performances chosen to illustrate specific approaches to evaluation and assessment.

The afternoon program presents participants with a choice of break-out sessions in each of the following five tracks: "A Peek into the Exam Room," "Developing Your Own Talents," "Building Your Students' Expertise," "Reaching Out to Others" and "Transforming the Future."

Pedagogy Friday will offer a chance to enhance the teaching and learning environment in your studio by improving your evaluation skills and hearing some new ideas on how to bring out the best in your students!

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Events.

MTNA Awards Luncheon and Annual Association Meeting

Join MTNA as it honors members who have devoted their time and energy to better the association and music teaching profession. This event will also serve as an opportunity for all MTNA members to actively participate in the association and have their voices heard.

Marienne Uszler, piano pedagogue, author and editor, will be given the MTNA Achievement Award.

MTNA will also honor Joan Reist, NCTM, with its "Distinguished Service Award." Reist is associate professor emerita at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln School of Music.

Tuesday, March 27

Conference Gala

This year's black-tie optional Gala will recognize MTNA FOUNDATION Fellows and other FOUNDATION FUND honorees. After enjoying an elegant meal, listen to the big band sound of Canada's Galaxy All-Star Orchestra.

Tuesday, March 27

CFMTA Members Luncheon and Annual General Meeting

Members of the Canadian Federation of Music Teachers' Associations are invited to attend a luncheon at 12:00 NOON, Tuesday, March 27 at the Sheraton Centre Toronto. This event will provide members with an opportunity to meet the CFMTA executive and delegates and network with colleagues from across Canada. The CFMTA Annual General Meeting will take place at this time.

Tuesday, March 27

RCM Convocation

The Royal Conservatory of Music Convocation, celebrating the achievements of the graduating class and recognizing RCM alumni, will take place at the Toronto Centre for the Arts.

A limited number of complimentary tickets to Convocation are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Conference participants may make reservations for the Convocation when registering for the conference. Please note that there is a limit of one ticket per conference registrant.

Saturday, March 24

Registration and Travel

Registration

Registration for the 2007 Collaborative Conference is quick and easy when you register online at www.mtna.org. You also can register by completing the enclosed form and returning it, with payment in U.S. dollars to Collaborative Conference, The Carew Tower, 441 Vine St., Ste. 505, Cincinnati, OH 45202-2811, or fax to (513) 421-2503.

Cancellation Policy

Refund requests must be submitted in writing to MTNA and postmarked, faxed or e-mailed no later than February 14, 2007. A \$100 U.S. processing fee will be assessed for all refunds.

Travel Information

While travel to Canada for association members is very common. a passport will be required for attendees entering Canada via plane or ship after December 31, 2006. For the most updated information about applying for a passport and specific requirements, please visit www.travel.state.gov/passport/passport_1738.html. Please note if your



passport has less than six months validity, be aware that some countries will not permit you to enter. Attendees who are applying for a passport for the first time or are renewing an expired passport should allow at least six to eight weeks for the government to process the request.

Hotel Accommodations

To maximize your conference experience, MTNA encourages you to reserve your room at the Sheraton Centre Toronto, where all the general sessions and piano competitions will be held. Those staying at the Sheraton will receive a 10 percent discount on lunch and dinner food purchases at Bistro on Two and Traders Bar and Grill.



Reservations can be made by calling the hotel directly at (416) 947-4955 ext. 4440, completing the form in the Conference insert in the December/January and February/March issues of American Music Teacher, the form in the fall and winter issues of Canadian Music Teacher or online at www.mtna.org/conference.htm. Reservations at these rates are available until February 25, 2007, or until all rooms set aside for the Collaborative Conference are reserved, whichever comes first. Reservations are on a first-come, first-served basis. All rooms are subject to a 14 percent tax (6 percent is refundable to non-residents of Canada-GST), and when making reservations please inform the hotel you are with the 2007 Canadian Federation of Music Teachers' Associations, Music Teachers National Association and The Royal Conservatory of Music Collaborative Conference.

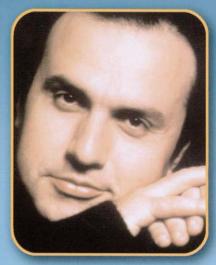
Room Rates

	Canadian \$	U.S. \$*
Single/Double	\$185	\$165.37
Triple	\$210	\$187.71
Quad	\$235	\$210.06

^{*} As of September 19, 2006. U.S. dollars subject to change with exchange rate.

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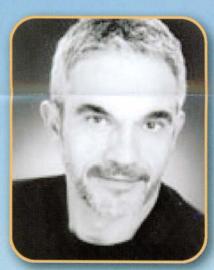
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