

EMERGING ARTISTS 2018

Our annual listing of emerging soloists and conductors is inspired by the breadth and sheer volume of young classical talent. The following list of emerging talent is provided by League of American Orchestras business partners and is intended as a reference point for orchestra professionals who book classical series. It does not imply endorsement by *Symphony* or the League.

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Ensembles Performing with Orchestra



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Donald Sinta Quartet Concert Artists Guild

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CAG's First-prize-winning American saxophone quartet—acclaimed as “a tight-knit ensemble exploding with power and virtuosity” (*Boston Musical Intelligencer*)—offers concertos for quartet and orchestra by William Bolcom, Philip Glass, and Steven Mackey.



Photo by Jiyang Chen

Lysander Piano Trio Concert Artists Guild

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The Strad hailed this 2012 CAG Competition-winning Trio's “incredible ensemble, passionate playing, articulate and imaginative ideas.” Repertoire includes triple concerti by Beethoven, Martinu, and Nico Muhly, and Lera Auerbach's *Serenade for a Melancholic Sea*.



Photo by Saverio Truglia

Third Coast Percussion

thirdcoastpercussion.com
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Grammy Award-winning, “commandingly elegant” (*New York Times*) quartet of classically trained percussionists hailing from Chicago. Current orchestral repertoire includes new concertos by David T. Little and Augusta Read Thomas.

Instrumentalists



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Hanzhi Wang, accordion
Young Concert Artists

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"Her interpretational skills boast a luminosity and artistic flair I have rarely experienced... a talent beyond measure" (Sofia Gubaidulina). Offering concertos by Piazzola, J.S. Bach, Handel, Hovhanness, Gubaidulina, and Mozart.



Photo by I-Jung Huang

Zlatomir Fung, cello
Young Concert Artists

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"A rich, warm tone, impeccable intonation and thoughtful phrasing" (*The Baltimore Sun*). Performances with George Enescu Philharmonic, Ann Arbor Symphony, Baltimore Chamber Orchestra, Santa Cruz Symphony, Grand Rapids Symphony, and the Boston Pops.



Robin Hasenpflug, cello
Great Lakes Performing Artist Associates

robinhasen.com
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Known for her passionate performances and warm stage presence; has given solo performances internationally. Current member of the Wisconsin Chamber Orchestra, appeared as principal on recent recordings.



Photo by Matt Dine

Sang-Eun Lee, cello
Young Concert Artists

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212 307 6657

"Prodigiously talented, powerful technique and musical poise" (*Washington Post*). Performances with the Seoul Philharmonic, the Orchestra of St. Luke's, Sinfonia Gulf Coast, and the Fort Smith Symphony.



Photo by Lisa-Marie Mazzucco

Thomas Mesa, cello
Astral

astralartists.org
215 735 6999

Astral Auditions winner. Winner: Sphinx, Thaviu, Alhambra competitions. Soloist: Cleveland Orchestra, Los Angeles Philharmonic at the Hollywood Bowl, Erie Chamber Orchestra, Firelands Symphony, Elgin Symphony Orchestra.



Photo by Christian Steiner

Narek Arutyunian, clarinet
Young Concert Artists

yca.org
212 307 6657

"Reaches passionate depths with effortless technical prowess" (*Washington Post*). Artie Shaw's *Concerto* with the Boston Pops. Performances with the Prague Radio Symphony, Orchestra of St. Luke's, Meridian and Albany symphonies.



Photo by Yi-Suk Jang

Yoonah Kim, clarinet
Concert Artists Guild

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2016 CAG Competition-winner, this Korean-Canadian clarinetist—hailed for her "endless silken tone...and full ringing sound" (*Albany Times Union*)—recently debuted at Zankel Hall with Ensemble Connect, under the baton of Sir Simon Rattle.

Instrumentalists (continued)



Photo by Vanessa Briceno

Xavier Foley, double bass
Young Concert Artists

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212 307 6657

“A standout player” (*The Philadelphia Inquirer*). Performances with the Atlanta Symphony, Nashville Symphony, Brevard Concert Orchestra, Philadelphia Orchestra, and Sphinx Virtuosi.



Photo by Ron Cohen Mann

Sam Suggs, double bass
Concert Artists Guild

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212 333 5200

Musical America's New Artist of the Month (October 2015) also won First Prize at the 2015 International Society of Bassists Solo Competition and was named Concert Artists Guild's 2016 New Music/New Places Fellow.



Photo by Matt Dine

Anthony Trionfo, flute
Young Concert Artists

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“A natural soloist, Trionfo was spellbinding” (*Santa Barbara Voice*). Performances with the Music Academy of the West Festival Orchestra (Jolivet), ProMusica Chamber Orchestra (Brandenburg No. 5), and the Colburn Orchestra (Corigliano *Pied Piper Fantasy*).



Photo by Ryan Brandenburg

Annie Wu, flute
Astral

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Astral Auditions winner. Winner: James Pappoutsakis, Yamaha Young Performing Artist, and YoungArts National competitions. U.S. Presidential Scholar in the Arts. Soloist: Vienna International Orchestra, San Francisco Symphony, California Symphony, Kentucky Symphony Orchestra.



Photo by Tony Checchia

Jiji, guitar
Concert Artists Guild

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212 333 5200

CAG's 2016 First Prize Winner, hailed by the *Calgary Herald* as “talented, sensitive...brilliant,” Jiji plays a wide range of concertos on both acoustic and electric guitars. Recent performance with Kansas City Symphony.



Photo by Kaupo Kikkas

Olivier Stankiewicz, oboe
Young Concert Artists

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“Astounding technique, rich sound, and mature artistry” (*ResMusica*). Performances with the London Symphony, Orchestre Royal de Chambre de Wallonie, Monte-Carlo Philharmonic, and at London's Wigmore Hall.

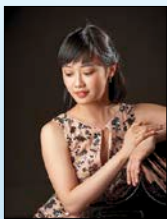


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Dominic Cheli, piano
Concert Artists Guild

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Applauded for “splendid playing... and technical prowess” (*MusicWeb International*), American pianist Dominic Cheli is CAG's 2017 First Prize winner. Current highlights: Music Academy of the West Orchestra, Metropolitan Orchestra of St. Louis, and Northwestern German Philharmonic.



Fei-Fei Dong, piano
Concert Artists Guild

concertartists.org/artist/fei-fei-dong
212 333 5200

2013 Cliburn finalist and 2014 CAG winner, recognized for her “natural musicality and beauty of tone” (*Cincinnati Enquirer*). Current concerto highlights: Buffalo Philharmonic, American Symphony Orchestra, Calgary Philharmonic, Long Beach Symphony, and Pacific Symphony.

Photo by Ellen Appel-Mike Moreland, The Cliburn



Rémi Geniet, piano
Young Concert Artists

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212 307 6657

“Simply staggering in pianistic and musical maturity” (*Diapason*). Performances with the Hong Kong Sinfonietta, the St. Petersburg Philharmonic, the Richmond Symphony, and the St. Louis Symphony.

Photo by Christian Steiner



Tomer Gewirtzman, piano
Young Concert Artists

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Hailed for his “formidable virtuosity and stylistic sensitivity” (*Washington Post*). Performances with the Israel Philharmonic, the Aspen Concert Orchestra, and the Shreveport Symphony Orchestra.

Photo by Christian Steiner



Natalia Kazaryan, piano
Astral

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Astral Auditions winner. Prizes: Eastman Young Artists International, Kosciuszko Foundation Chopin, and New York piano competitions; Concours FLAME; Concours international de piano d’Ile de France. Soloist: Ann Arbor Symphony.

Photo by Ryan Brandenburg



Dasol Kim, piano
Young Concert Artists

yca.org
212 307 6657

“A magician of the keyboard” (*Friedrichshafen Herald*). Performances with the Tonhalle Orchestra, New York Philharmonic, Bavarian Radio Symphony Orchestra, and the Fort Worth Symphony.

Photo by Christian Steiner



Do-Hyun Kim, piano
Young Concert Artists

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2014 Gilmore Keyboard Festival Fellow, Top Prize at the 2017 Vendome Prize for Piano, Prokofiev Concerto No. 2 with the Mariinsky Orchestra, and upcoming recital debut at the 2018 Verbier Festival.

Photo by Myung Jin Koh



Daniel Lehardt, piano
Young Concert Artists

yca.org
212 307 6657

“He brought narrative sweep and youthful abandon... with power, poetry and formidable technique (*NY Times*). Decca Classics *Bartók Complete Works*. Performances with Auburn and Dearborn symphonies, Wigmore Hall, and at Musée du Louvre.

Photo by Kaupo Kikkas

Instrumentalists (continued)



Photo by Matt Dine

Nathan Lee, piano
Young Concert Artists

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“He had the audience in the palms of his hands” (*Cleveland Classical*). Performances with the Buffalo Philharmonic, Seattle Symphony, the Minnesota and Cleveland orchestras.



Photo by Sophie Zhai

Steven Lin, piano
Cadenza Artists

stevenlinpiano.com
310 896 8527

“A muscular poet of the keyboard” (*Washington Post*). Baltimore Symphony, Bravo! Vail, LACO, KC Symphony, National Taiwan Symphony, Orquesta Sinfónica Nacional de Mexico. Prize-winner of Rubinstein Piano Competition, Van Cliburn, CAG.



Photo by Sophie Zhai

Andrew Tyson, piano
Young Concert Artists

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212 307 6657

“A real poet of the piano” (BBC Radio3). Performances with the Orchestra of St. Luke’s, North Carolina and Kansas City symphonies, Moscow Virtuosi, Brevard Philharmonic, and the Hallé and Louisville orchestras.



Photo by Marcella Prieto

Ko-Eun Yi, piano
Concert Artists Guild

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2013 CAG Competition Winner and World Piano Competition Gold-medalist. “Played with élan and fire and a surplus of bravura technique” (*Cincinnati Enquirer*). Featured concerto appearances: Boston Symphony, Seoul Philharmonic, Jerusalem Symphony, and Barcelona Symphony.



Photo by Matt Dine

Yun-Chin Zhou, piano
Young Concert Artists

yca.org
212 307 6657

“Stunning technical feats are combined with a touching musical sensitivity” (*Huffington Post*). Performances with the Fort Smith Symphony, Orchestra of St. Luke’s, Columbus Symphony, and Orchestra of Indian Hill.



Photo by Jiyang Chen

Brandon Ridenour, trumpet
Concert Artists Guild

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2014 CAG Competition Winner. “Heralds the trumpet of the future” (*Chicago Sun-Times*). Recent concerto highlights include: Los Angeles Philharmonic and the Indianapolis, Jacksonville, Edmonton, Grand Rapids, and Kalamazoo symphony orchestras.



Photo by Matt Dine

Ziyu Shen, viola
Young Concert Artists

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“Making her mark on the music scene” (*Isle of Man Courier*). First Prize, Lionel Tertis International Competition. Performances with the ORF Radio-Symphonieorchester, Philharmonia Orchestra in London, Calgary Philharmonic Orchestra, and the Long Bay Symphony.



Photo by Matt Dine

Benjamin Baker, violin
Young Concert Artists

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“Baker gave an incandescent performance” (*The Arts Desk*). Performances with Auckland Philharmonia, the Royal Philharmonic, and the English Chamber Orchestra. Returns to Wigmore Hall and tours the U.S., China, Argentina, and Chile.



Photo by Vanessa Briceno

Nikki Chooi, violin
Astral

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Astral Auditions winner. Soloist: Winnipeg, St. Petersburg, Victoria, Edmonton symphonies; Malaysian, Calgary philharmonics; National Orchestra of Belgium; l’Orchestre Symphonique de Montréal. Served as: concertmaster, Metropolitan Opera Orchestra; member, Time for Three.



Photo by Ryan Brandenburg

Timothy Chooi, violin
Astral

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Astral Auditions winner. Bronze Medal, Michael Hill International Violin Competition, Montreal Symphony Manulife Competition. Soloist: Vancouver, Newfoundland, Edmonton, Malaysian Philharmonic, Santa Barbara Symphony, National Arts Center Orchestra.



Photo by Lisa-Marie Mazzucco

Bella Hristova, violin
Young Concert Artists

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“A player of impressive power and control” (*Washington Post*). Performances with the Austin, Columbus, Milwaukee, Hilton Head, Rogue Valley, Quad City, Knoxville, and Delaware symphonies, and the Westchester Philharmonic.



Photo by Estrostudio

YooJin Jang, violin
Concert Artists Guild

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Hailed by *The Strad* for her “consummate performances,” she is a 2017 CAG Winner and First Prize winner of Japan’s 2016 Sendai Competition. Concerto highlights include: KBS Symphony, Seoul Philharmonic, and Budapest Festival Orchestra with Ivan Fischer.



Photo by Kristen Jensen

Hye-Jin Kim, violin
Concert Artists Guild

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Yehudi Menuhin International Competition First Prize winner recognized for “supremely musical playing” (*The Strad*). Featured concerto engagements: Philadelphia Orchestra, New Jersey Symphony, BBC Concert Orchestra, Seoul Philharmonic, and Hannover Chamber Orchestra.



Photo by Kate L Photography

Tessa Lark, violin
Sciolino Artist Management, LLC

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Avery Fisher Career Grant; Silver Medal, Indianapolis Violin Competition; First Prize, Naumburg Competition. Season includes Corigliano *Red Violin* Concerto, Dvorák Violin Concerto with Buffalo Philharmonic, world premiere with Carmel Symphony Orchestra.

Instrumentalists (continued)



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SooBeen Lee, violin
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“Korea’s hottest violin prodigy” (*Hancinema*). Performances with Seoul Philharmonic, Suwon Philharmonic, Busan Philharmonic Orchestra, Incheon Philharmonic Orchestra. First Prize, Moscow International David Oistrakh Violin Competition.



Gregory Maytan, violin
Great Lakes Performing Artist Associates

gregorymaytan.com
734 665 4029

Grammis-nominated soloist, awarded “CD of the Month” by *The Strad*, which stated he “plays with lyrical freshness and infectious vitality.” Soloist under Dennis Russell Davies and Evind Gullberg-Jensen.



Photo by Alexander Basta

Aleksey Semenenko, violin
Young Concert Artists

yca.org
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“Powerful technique, rich tone and passionate approach” (*NY Times*). Performances with the National Philharmonic of Russia, Seattle Symphony, Brussels Philharmonic, Orchestra of St. Luke’s, Deutsche Symphony Orchestra, and Brevard Philharmonic.



Photo by Kevin Michael Murphy

Melissa White, violin
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Sphinx laureate Melissa White has performed with such organizations as the Boston Pops and Cleveland Orchestra. This season she makes her solo debut with the National Philharmonic and returns to the Chicago Sinfonietta.



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Itamar Zorman, violin
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A Tchaikovsky Competition winner, but so much more than a brilliant virtuoso. Just listen and you’ll know why he’s been called a “violin whisperer” whose special musicality touches your soul.

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Vocalists



Jean Bernard Cerin, baritone greatlakespaa.org
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Commended for his “burnished tones” after performing at the Philadelphia Bach Festival, charmed audiences throughout the United States, France, Austria, and his native Haiti. Assistant Professor of Voice at Lincoln University.



Samuel Hasselhorn, baritone yca.org
Young Concert Artists 212 307 6657

Demonstrates “moments of emotion and pure musicality that will not soon be forgotten” (*Crescendo*). First Prize Das Lied International Song Competition; Boise Philharmonic, the Oregon Mozart Players, and the Leipzig Gewandhaus.

Vocalists (continued)



Ariadne Greif, soprano
Cadenza Artists

ariadnegreifsoprano.com
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"Luminous, expressive voice," "searing top notes," "dusky depths," "one of the most searingly painful and revealing operatic performances in recent times" (*NY Times*). Beethoven 9, *Carmina Burana*, Lutoslawski *Chantefleurs et Chantefables*.

Photo by Caroline Mariko Stucky



Jessica Victoria, soprano
Great Lakes Performing Artist Associates

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"She starts to sing and it's almost a spiritual event," *Albuquerque Journal*. Performed at Vatican and Carnegie Hall. Won two international competitions, featured with Mid-Atlantic Symphony and New Mexico Philharmonic.

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