

CANADIAN MUSIC COMPETITIONS - BC SOCIETY

REMINDERS:

Annual General Meeting

Sunday
September 25th, 2005
7:15PM

Kerrisdale
Community Centre
Seniors' Centre -
Crafts Room

5851 West Boulevard,
Vancouver
(at West 42nd Avenue)
Free parking

All members are
requested to attend.
National Finals
adjudicators' comments,
certificates, and
scholarship certificates
available for pick up
from the meeting.

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DEAR STUDENTS, TEACHERS, PARENTS AND FRIENDS OF CMC,

What a triumph! After nearly a year of hard work and many rounds of competition, the 2004-2005 season of CMC is over!

The calibre of this year's competitors has been phenomenal: the BC Provincial rounds saw some fantastic performances and the judges were truly impressed. There were 45 National Finalists from BC, and by the end of the National Finals, BC has the highest number of competitors ranked first of their class and our Finalists have also swept a lion's share of the scholarships!

Let me highlight the upcoming **CMCBC Annual General Meeting on Sunday, September 25th, 2005**. It will be held at the Kerrisdale Community Centre, and this is an important meeting for the new CMC season. We will be electing the new Board members, discussing new directions for CMCBC, and allowing you to voice out suggestions and comments. In addition, we have some of the adjudicators' comments, certificates and scholarship certificates from the 2005 National Finals, so please come to the AGM to collect these CMC documents.

The 2006 season of CMC is starting up as well: please note that the **First Elimination dates** for this year's CMC are **April 9-15th, 2006**. CMC will be starting their National Tour with Vancouver, so this would be an interesting change!

I would like to thank the adjudicators, volunteers and parents who have contributed to this year's success. **Thank you for participating in 2005 CMC, and I hope that we will see you again in 2006!**
Stephanie Leung
Acting President 2005



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COMPETITIONS 2005: RESULTS

The BC Provincial Rounds

BC First Elimination: May 29 - May 31, 2005
BC Provincial Final: June 2 - June 4, 2005

UBC School of Music, Recital Hall
6361 Memorial Road
University of British Columbia, Vancouver

Six days of competition showcased the tremendous talent and dedication of some of the best musicians in BC! Competitors, friends and parents gathered at the School of Music at the University of British Columbia for the BC provincial rounds of the 2005 CMC. Many of competitors were ready and eager to finally compete after all these months of preparation.

Aside from the competition, CMCBC also hosted an Open House evening on May 31st, where we encouraged music enthusiasts to watch the competition and to enjoy the reception afterwards. It was also an opportunity to chat with the adjudicators - all of them truly enjoyed the BC rounds.

The calibre of this year's competitors was evident when 63 competitors advanced to the Provincial Final round from the First Elimination, and 45 competitors qualified for the National Finals in Edmonton, Alberta. Thank you to all the volunteers for the BC rounds, and congratulations to all competitors for doing your best!



From left to right: Peter Rapson (Adjudicator - Strings), Mimi Ho (Secretary - BC Board of Directors), Louis Dallaire (National CMC General Director), Michel Fournier (Adjudicator - Piano), Alasdair Maughan (Treasurer - BC Board of Directors), and Stephanie Leung (Acting President - BC Board of Directors).

COMPETITIONS 2005: RESULTS

The 2005 National Finals

June 20 - July 3, 2005
Results: July 4, 2005
Gala Concert: July 5, 2005

**University of Alberta,
 Edmonton, Alberta**

REVIEW: IMPRESSIONS OF EDMONTON by Alasdair Maughan

After a late-morning flight, I landed in Edmonton, capitol city of Alberta, guest to 30°C weather. The city itself is sparse and wide and reminds me of what Vancouver must have been like thirty years ago. The population of 1,000,000 attests to this, being about half the size of Vancouver. The national final round of Canadian Music Competition was held on the lush campus of the University of Alberta in the old Convocation Hall, a neo-classical brick building laced with ivy, which used to be the focal point of the campus.



I arrived for the evening awards ceremony, where marks, comment sheets and scholarships were announced by a tuxedo-clad Louis Dallaire, the national director. Our British Columbian competitors did very well. We had 45 competitors in the national finals, 21 of whom took home scholarships totaling \$9,250. It was a nice evening where I had the opportunity to not only

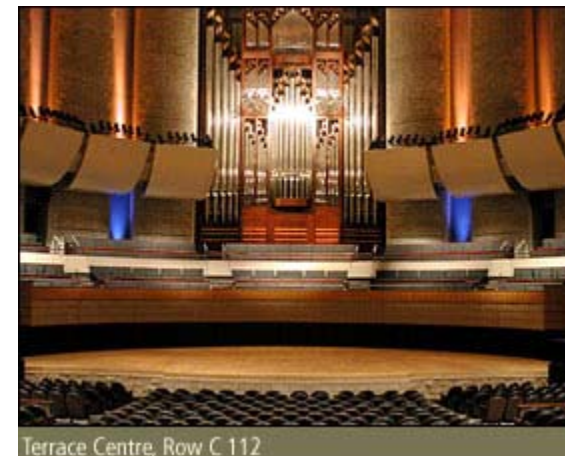
congratulate many of our competitors, but to speak with the representatives of CMC chapters from all over the country during a delicious reception and the late dinner.

The next day, I was fortunate enough to tour the city, including the historic Whyte Avenue, similar to our Gastown, West Edmonton Mall, the hub of Edmontonian entertainment, and the newly minted Royal Alberta Museum, celebrating the Province's centennial this year. That evening, I was invited to Winspear Centre, located in the heart of Downtown Edmonton. The Centre is a new-age architectural delight featuring glass, aluminum and light-coloured wood.

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The striking backdrop to the stage is the Davis Organ – Canada's largest performance organ made of over 6500 individual pipes. After an energetic speech given by Louis Dallaire, we were graced with five captivating performances during the CMC Gala Concert, including a sensitive interpretation of a Chopin's Piano Concerto by Naomi Woo of North Vancouver. The acoustics in the concert hall were crisp and pure, and the orchestra was a delightful undertone.



Terrace Centre, Row C 112

Following the performances, I had another chance to network with the representatives at a catered reception. I learned about the many similarities between each of our chapters, and I was inspired by the passion and the drive exuded by these representatives, some of whom have been involved with CMC for decades. I had an eventful two days marked with good people, fantastic music and a scenic city. I look forward to doing this again, perhaps one day even here in Vancouver!

SOME STATISTICS:

76 competitors from BC registered for the 2005 Canadian Music Competitions, and 45 advanced through the Provincial rounds to compete in the National Finals. There were 268 competitors from across Canada at the National Finals, held in Edmonton.

Over 20% of the BC National Finalists finished in First Place in their category, and close to 40% finished in the top three of their category.

Our BC National Finalists are rewarded \$9250 worth in scholarships - among all the provincial chapters, the BC chapter has won the highest amount of scholarships

There are 10 BC National Finalists who are ranked first in their category - the BC chapter has the largest percentage of First place winners.



From left to right: Alasdair Maughan, Benjamin Woo, Emma Woo, and Naomi Woo.

CONGRATUALTIONS TO THE 2005 CMC NATIONAL FINALISTS FROM BC!

Eugene Chan	Sharon Kam	Christie Ong
Karin Chan	Jocelyn Lai	Yan Ru Pei
Melody Chan	Maggie Lai	Andre Poon
Crystal Cheng	Jasper Lau	Bryan Son
Charis Cheung	Alison Lee	Meng-Hsuan (Nancy) Tsai
Christy Cheung	Charles Lee	Andrew Wang
Jacqueline Cheung	Clare Lee	Christine Wen
Allison Chew	Braedon Lim	Brayden Wong
Chun-Kai Kevin Chien	Tami Lin	Sally Wong
Linda Ching	Jonathan Lo	Benjamin Woo
Cheralyn Chok	Natalie Lo	Emma Woo
Katelyn Clark	Florence Ah Yan Mak	Naomi Woo
Kasandra Fcong	Mecca Menard	Andrew Yang
Devon Joiner	Christine Ngai	Brian Yoon
Aaron Kam	Chloe Ong	Katie Youn

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE TEACHERS OF THE 2005 CMC NATIONAL FINALISTS FROM BC!

Lorraine Ambrose
Patrick Cheung
Joseph Elworthy
Donna Fishwick
Judith Fraser
Teresa Ho
Tak Ying Lam
Diana Lawton
Yuko Noble
Audrey Nodwell
Jamie Parker
Rudy Rozanski
Henri-Paul Sicsic
Sasha Starceвич
Nicki Stieda
K.K. Sum
Gwen Thompson
Bob Van Asperen
David Vanderyek
Susan Wong Lim
Jinghe Xu
Libby Yu



At the BC Provincial Rounds' Open House feast: (from left to right) Alasdair Maughan, Sean Olonan, and Andrea Lo.

The New Season of CMC: 2005-2006

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25TH, 2005 AT 7:15PM
KERRISDALE COMMUNITY CENTRE
SENIORS' CENTRE, CRAFT ROOM
5851 WEST BOULEVARD, VANCOUVER (AT WEST 42ND AVENUE)

A NEW SEASON by Stephanie Leung

After the success of this year's CMC, it is time to focus on the new season of CMC. With the end of the 2004-2005 season, my term as acting president also comes to an end. I had the privilege of joining the Board in 2004 and working with individuals dedicated to the Canadian Music Competitions. It was also fantastic to meet you, the competitors, and I sincerely wish you all the best for this year's CMC - the breadth of your talent never ceases to amaze me.

As you know, the provincial chapters of the Canadian Music Competitions are entirely volunteer-based, and it is thanks to the work of the Board of Directors that the competitions and CMC-related events go smoothly. I hope you had the opportunity to enjoy this past year's Showcase Concerts, Christmas concerts, and Fundraising Gala. These events serve to foster community among CMC participants and supporters, and also create performance opportunities for you. With these and other events, the Board hopes to continue providing member services that will enhance your experiences with CMC.

Our Annual General Meeting will take place on Sunday, September 25th, 2005 at 7:15PM at the Kerrisdale Community Centre. The best

measure of the Board's work is to hear from you, the members of CMCBC. I encourage you to attend this very important meeting on Sunday, September 25th, as we will be reporting to you about the 2004-2005 season and providing information on the upcoming 2006 competition.




The 2004-2005 CMCBC Board of Directors:
(Back) Judy Wong, Jean Lyons, Mimi Ho, and Stephanie Leung.
(Front) Alasdair Maughan and Tim Chan.

A critical part of the AGM will be the election of the members of the Board for the new CMC season. There are 5 executive positions on the Board: **President, Treasurer, Secretary, Public Relations/Fundraising, and Webmaster.** There are also Directors on the Board, whose role is to support the executive. If you have an interest or skill in organizing events, taking care of the newsletter or simply wanting to be part of CMC decisionmaking, I would like to hear from you! We also

welcome those who are interested in volunteering for specific events or projects. For more information on each of the position, visit our website at www.cmcbc.com or contact me at info@cmcbc.com.

We will also be handing out certificates, scholarship certificates and adjudicators' comments from the 2005 CMC National Finals in Edmonton. For those who did not pick up these documents, this AGM is especially important for you.

I look forward to seeing many of you at this AGM. CMCBC needs your support, and I hope that you will consider joining the Board!

Sincerely, 

2006 CANADIAN MUSIC COMPETITIONS

BC Elimination and Provincial Final rounds: **April 9th to 15th, 2006**
National Finals in Rimouski, Quebec: **June 19th to July 5th, 2006**
Deadline for registration: **Tuesday, November 22nd, 2005**

Online registration: www.cmcnational.com
Click on **2006 Tour** and **Registration**

2006 INTERNATIONAL STEPPING STONE RIMOUSKI, QUEBEC

Every two years, the International Stepping Stone Competitions are held for older (ages 16-31) and more advanced students who are preparing for professional careers in music. For extensive list of regulations, please visit www.cmcnational.com.

First & Second Eliminations: **June 11th to June 18th, 2006**
National Finals for Stepping Stone: **June 22nd and 23rd, 2006**
Deadline for registration: **Tuesday, November 22nd, 2005**

Online registration: www.cmcnational.com
Click on **2006 Tour** and **Registration**

CALENDAR OF EVENTS: 2005-2006

Annual General Meeting:	Sun, Sept. 25, 2005 at 7:15PM
Showcase Concerts:	Fall 2005
Deadline for 2006 CMC Registration:	Tuesday, Nov. 22, 2005
CMC BC 1st Eliminations & Provincial Final:	April 9-15, 2006
CMC National Finals:	June 19-July 5, 2006

CMCBC Notables: 2005 Candidates

KASANDRA FCONG (TEACHER: LIBBY YU):

An AP student, Kasandra studies at Burnaby North Secondary. Not only does she play the piano but she is also a part of the school's senior band playing the French Horn. Kasandra also coaches the School Reach team, who participates in the annual "Reach for the Top" trivia game show which tests overall knowledge.

KATE SEMYONOVA (TEACHER: DMITRY KUBYSHKIN):

Kate participated in Burnaby Clef Society where she played a concerto and the experience was very entertaining and enjoyable. The Yap Club is a constant experience for her, where she gets to play in a beautiful castle so many times a year, every year. One of her biggest future endeavors is to go to Boston University for a Master's in music.

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2004-2005

Acting President:

Stephanie Leung

Secretary:

Mimi Ho

Treasurer:

Alasdair Maughan

Directors:

Timothy Chan, Jean Lyons, Jason Ng, Wilma Suen, Judy Wong

NEXT CMCBC MEETING

The Annual General Meeting is on **Sunday, Sept 25th, 2005** at **7:15pm** at **Kerrisdale Community Centre**, Vancouver. All members are encouraged to attend.

DONATIONS & SPONSORSHIP

We gratefully accept **donations** and we will acknowledge your contribution in our newsletters and programme books.

We are also seeking **corporate sponsors** to help support CMCBC. We have various **Advertisement packages** and **Sponsorship packages** available. Opportunities exist for national and/or local advertising, as well as the display of your promotional materials at CMC events. Please contact Stephanie at (604) 266-2219 for more information.

Please support CMCBC by:

- **donating** a scholarship
- **sponsoring** a concert or sessions of the Provincial Competition
- **donating-in-kind**: reception, Silent Auction, Raffle items
- **volunteering**: fundraising, selling tickets, assisting at events

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