



Pianist from Longueuil, Québec takes \$8,000 Top Prize

Edmonton, AB – On **Saturday, May 16, 2026** – after two days of amazing and very high calibre competition via recorded videos – pianist **Grégoire Abadie** (20-years-old), from Longueuil, Québec, was awarded the **\$8,000 top prize** in **The Shean Piano Competition**. Mr. From has also won the opportunity to play with the **Edmonton Symphony Orchestra** at a future date. Mr. Abadie was one of 4 finalists chosen from the 4 submitted entries to compete virtually in The 2026 Shean Piano Competition.

The complete results of the Competition are as follows (hometowns in parentheses):

- **First Place** and \$8,000, plus the opportunity to play with the Edmonton Symphony Orchestra – **Grégoire Abadie** (Longueuil, QC)
- **Second Place** and \$5,000 – **Roswell Reyes** (Calgary, AB)
- **Third Place** and \$4,000 – **Elly Hung** (Calgary, AB)

Unfortunately, **Vanessa Yu** (Richmond Hill, ON) had to withdraw from the Competition due to illness.

Roswell Reyes also won the **\$1,000 Paul J. Bourret Memorial Award for Best Performance of the Test Piece** – *The Little Island*, op. 14, no. 2 and *Floods of Spring*, op. 14, no. 11 by Earl Wild.

The adjudicators for this year's Shean Piano Competition were **David Hoyt**, Chair; **David Kaplan**, and **Micah Yui**.

The 2027 Shean Strings Competition (for violin, viola, and violoncello) takes place May 18 and 19, 2027 in Edmonton at Knoppers Hall, The King's University with an \$8,000 Top Prize and the opportunity to perform with the Edmonton Symphony Orchestra. The \$1,000 Paul J. Bourret Memorial Award for Best Performance of the Test Piece will also be awarded.

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