Ronny Michael, Piano

Ronny Michael was born in Montreal and began his piano studies at age 8. He graduated from the McGill Conservatory with high distinction in 2005 as a student of Alexander Solopov. He is currently a senior at Crane studying Piano Performance with Paul Wyse.

Recipient of the Sylvia Udell Award for outstanding collaborative skills (2009), Ronny has been the rehearsal pianist for the Opera at Crane for the past year. Equally passionate about solo, chamber and vocal collaborative music, he performed in a violin and piano concert at the Schubert Saal, Wiener Konzerthaus in October 2008. That same year he performed on Glenn Gould's piano in the Museum of Civilization in Ottawa during the Glenn Gould exhibit series.

Ronny has attended several music festivals over the last summers during which he had the opportunity to perform for renowned musicians such as Paul Schenly and Melvin Chen at the Pianofest in the Hamptons (2009), Nico Castel, Carol Castel and Joshua Greene at the New York Opera Studio (2009). He also performed for Yefim Bronfman, Pinchas Zuckerman and Soprano Benita Valente at the Young Artists Program in Ottawa (2008 and 2007).

Prizewinner for best performance of a Canadian work at the Toronto Symphony Orchestra Piano Competition last May, Ronny won second prize in the Schmidbauer International Piano Competition, Texas (2008), and second prize in the Julia Crane International Piano Competition, New York (2004).



Evening Concert Series

2009-2010 Season

Friday, November 20 Helen M. Hosmer Hall 7:30 PM

Crane Symphony Orchestra Kenneth Andrews, Conductor Ronny Michael, Piano

Academic Festival Overture, Op 80 (1880)

Johannes Brahms

(1833-1897)

Piano Concerto No. 1 in Eb Major, S124/R455 (1835-1856)

Franz Liszt

Allegro maestoso. Tempo giusto

(1811-1886)

Quasi adagio-Allegretto vivace-

Allegro marziale animato

Ronny Michael, Piano Soloist Crane Concerto Competition Winner

Intermission

Suite No. 1 for Small Orchestra (1916-17, orch. 1917-1925)

Igor Stravinsky (1882-1971)

I. Andante

II. Napolitana III. Española

IV. Balalaïka

Hänsel und Gretel, EHWV 93.3 (1893)

Engelbert Humperdinck (1854-1921)

(Hansel and Gretel)

Abendsegen (Evening Prayer) (Act II, Scene 2)

Traum-Pantomime (Dream and Pantomime) (Act II, Scene 3)

Hexenritt (Witch's Ride) (Act I, Scene 3, Prelude)

Crane Symphony Orchestra Personnel

Violin I

Megan Fedor**
Laura Berger
Margaret Moore
Kama Prellwitz
Phillip Ducreay
Lauren Svoboda
Erin Shambo
Veronica Phillips
Nina Merulla
Carey Sleeman
Caitlin Mannion
Lindsey Serrao
Victoria Rogers
Erica Trocino

Violin II

Gregory Krajci* Elizabeth Marshall Marissa Young Joy Arden Sara Gravelle Elizabeth Eckland Nadine Cunningham Andrew Tilles Brittany Vuozzo Page Silverman Sara Chudow Kevin Koehler Angela Roamer Allison Young Alexa Milo Victoria Frenny Garrett Rode Joel Perkins

Viola

Emeline Reynolds*
Alyssa Raduns*
Kirstin Teall
Genevieve Ryan
Kimberly Callahan
Marichelle Weill
Codi Ng
Kathryn Hess
Rebecca Miller
Kristen Swift
Ryan Furrer
Kevin Marcinko
Deborah Scharbach

Cello

Lvdia Zervanos* Natasha Jaffe Alvssa Sciarrino Aaron Knapp Stacy King Moriah Dohner Andrew Albani Robyn Koenigsberg Maximillian Sternglass Meghan Smart Peter Handford Andrew Fund Nicole Polstein Matthew Fiorentino Carol Dolgon Timofei Rosales Melissa Gallina Christina Ahlsen **Gregory Bennett**

Bass

Nicholas Edwards*
Joseph Goehle
Danielle Packard
Michael Pitocchi
Dylan Perrillo
Charles Smith

Flute

Allison Bourquin* Valerie Paige James Haertel

Piccolo

James Haertel

Oboe

Laurie Luce* Elisabeth Brunbauer Mallory Emrich

Clarinet

Theresa Tidd* Joshua Redman*

Bassoon

Ryan Cerullo* Lauren Roerig

Crane Symphony Orchestra (Continued)

Contrabassoon

William Beecher

Horn

Luke Walton*
Christina Romano*
Keith Kirkpatrick
Heather Peek
Kendra Lamb

Trumpet

David Brawn*
Aaron Folmsbee
Joseph Orsolits
Emily Piller

Trombone

Joseph Dupuis* Andrew Crecco

Bass Trombone

Maxwell Garrett

Tuba

Jeremy Pierson*

Timpani

Christopher Capurso Bret Lupi

Percussion

Michael Alfieri Christopher Capurso Bret Lupi Jay Sager*

Harp

Kathryn Sloat*

Orchestra Assistants

Nadine Cunningham Ryan Furrer Laurie Luce Christina Rawady Deborah Scharbach

^{**}Denotes Concertmaster

* Denotes Principal