

# Local pianist Wong Wai-yin to give recital in June

Talented local young pianist Wong Wai-yin will perform a selection of classical compositions in June.

The programme of the piano recital will feature Debussy's "Reverie" and selections from "Preludes", Beethoven's "Piano Sonata No. 31, Op. 110", Schumann's "Fantasie, Op. 17" and Scriabin's "Sonata No. 5".

Born in Hong Kong, Wong Wai-yin graduated from the Hong Kong Academy for Performing Arts and was awarded a full scholarship by the Hong Kong Jockey Club Music and Dance Fund to pursue a Master Degree at the Peabody Conservatory of Johns Hopkins University. She was awarded a full scholarship by the Yale School of Music under Boris Berman in 2015 and has recently obtained the Artist Diploma.

Wong has received awards in Hong Kong and abroad including being the youngest winner of the first prize in the Southern Highlands International Piano Competition in Australia. She has also won the second prize in the 17th Hilton Head International Piano Competition in the United States and was the youngest gold medallist in the 7th International Competition for Young Pianists in Memory of Vladimir Horowitz held in Ukraine.

Wong's performances have included a solo recital at the 39th Hong Kong Arts Festival in 2011, the opening recital of the Newport International Festival in the United States and the "New Masters on Tour" series in the Concertgebouw of Amsterdam, as well as concerts in Brisbane, Canberra, Paris, New York, Chicago, Shanghai and Washington, DC. She has also collaborated with the Hong Kong Philharmonic Orchestra, the Hong Kong Sinfonietta, the Hilton Head Symphony Orchestra in the United States, the National Symphony Orchestra of Ukraine in Kiev and the New Haifa Symphony Orchestra in Israel. She was awarded in the Secretary for Home Affairs' Commendation Scheme in recognition of her outstanding achievements in the promotion of international arts and culture activities.

Presented by the Leisure and Cultural Services Department, "City Hall Virtuosi Series: Piano Recital by Wong Wai-yin" will be staged at 8pm on June 3 (Sunday) at the Theatre of Hong Kong City Hall. Tickets priced at \$150 and \$200 are now available at URBTIX ([www.urbtix.hk](http://www.urbtix.hk)). For telephone credit card bookings, please call 2111 5999. For programme enquiries and concessionary schemes, please call 2268 7321 or visit [www.lcsd.gov.hk/CE/CulturalService/Programme/en/music/programs\\_558.html](http://www.lcsd.gov.hk/CE/CulturalService/Programme/en/music/programs_558.html).