

SRMTA Fall Convention and AGM 2014 Inspiring the Next Generation

October 17th and 18th, 2014 Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

Piano Masterclasses with Marc Durand Date: Saturday, October 17th, 2014

"The Junior Student" 9 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.

4 Student placements available for 15 minutes each Suitable for Students 11 years and older working at level grade 6 – 9

"The Senior Student" 2 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

4 Student placements available for 20 minutes each Suitable for students working at grade 10 and higher

Born in Canada, pianist **Marc Durand** enjoys a versatile career as soloist, accompanist, chamber musician, and pedagogue. He is currently professor of piano at the faculty of music of the University of Montreal, and is a visiting artist on a regular basis for the Glenn Gould Professional School at The Royal Conservatory of Music in Toronto. The strongest influence on his artistic evolution has certainly been from Leon Fleisher, with whom he has closely collaborated since 1988 in a program conceived for the exceptionally gifted at The Royal Conservatory of Music in Toronto. Marc has won numerous scholarships from the Government of Québec and the Canada Council for the Arts, as well as many important competitions and prizes, including the International Stepping Stone of the Canadian Music Competition in 1973, and was the unanimous first prize winner at the Leschetizky Competition in New York in 1975. Following this, Mr. Durand made his Carnegie Recital Hall debut in January 1976. He has also appeared as soloist with a number of orchestras and has been heard regularly on Canadian radio and television. He has toured extensively in North America, Europe, North Africa, Asia, Indonesia, and Australia.

Marc Durand's visit to Saskatoon is graciously sponsored by the Royal Conservatory of Music

Student information:

- 1. Prepare two pieces of contasting styles and record your selections on one audio CD-R OR one video DVD-R.
- 2. Include a short resume describing your musical background and experience.
- 3. The costs for student participation in these master classes will be covered by the Saskatoon Branch of the Registered Music Teachers' Convention Bursary. The students will be responsible for their own travel and accommodation expenses.
- 4. Application Deadline is June 30th, 2014.
- 5. You will be notified of your participation by August 18th, 2014.