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**Young Pianists from around the World to Study and Perform at Cleveland International Piano
Competition Preparatory Camp for Young Artists**

Public performances July 23, 25, and 26

CLEVELAND, OH – July, 9, 2019 The world-renowned Cleveland International Piano Competition (CIPC) will host 19 pianists aged 12-17 at Baldwin Wallace University in Berea, Ohio, as part of its inaugural competition preparatory camp. Selected pianists will participate in an intensive seven-day camp led by distinguished faculty and guest artists that will include private lessons, masterclasses, competition workshops, concerto classes, and seminars. Camp participants include gifted young pianists from the United States, Canada, China, and Taiwan. The camp culminates in a student competition performance to showcase their artistry and skills on July 26 at The Music Settlement's Glick Recital Hall (11125 Magnolia Dr, Cleveland, Ohio). Audiences will have the opportunity to hear and support students during this fun final performance and help determine the winners!

Public performances include:

Tuesday, July 23 at 7:30 PM

Faculty Concert in Baldwin Wallace University's Gamble Auditorium (96 Front Street, Berea, Ohio)

Free and open to the public.

Thursday, July 25 at 6:30 PM

Beachwood Community Center concert with CIPC Preparatory Camp students and **faculty (25325 Fairmount Blvd, Beachwood, Ohio)**

Friday, July 26 at 6:30 PM

Camp Competition Finals in The Music Settlement's Glick Recital Hall (11125 Magnolia Dr, Cleveland, Ohio)

General Admission: \$5

Students are FREE but require a ticket for admission. Please call 216-707-5397 to reserve a student ticket or visit clevelandpiano.org.

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The camp's faculty include Yaron Kohlberg, President & CEO of CIPC, 2007 CIPC Second Prize Medalist; Caroline Oltmanns, Steinway Artist, Professor of Piano, Youngstown State University; Dr. Sungeun Kim, Associate Professor of Keyboard, Baldwin Wallace University; Sean Schulze, Chair, Preparatory Piano and Piano Faculty, Cleveland Institute of Music; Stanislav Khristenko, 2013 CIPC Mixon First Prize Medalist; Dr. Eric Zuber, 2011 CIPC Third Prize Medalist, 2007 Gold Medalist Hilton Head International Piano Competition; and Dmitri Levkovich, 2009 CIPC Medalist, 2010 First Prize China International Piano Competition.

The Cleveland International Piano Competition is an organization dedicated to supporting the young artists who have made our musical heritage their life's work. This is accomplished through four major programs and events, including the Cleveland International Piano Competition and Festival, the CIPC for Young Artists Competition and Preparatory Camp, the CIPC Concert Series, and ArtsConnect, a music-based community outreach program. For more information, visit: clevelandpiano.org.