

The Mary Gardiner Award of Performance Excellence

This award was established in 2010 to honour Mary Gardiner, an awarded composer, pianist, educator, mentor, great champion of Canadian music, and long-serving President of Alliance for Canadian New Music Projects.

Each centre may submit one Senior candidate (Grade 9 and above) and one Junior candidate (up to and including Grade 8).

Qualification: The nominee must have participated for three years in the Contemporary Showcase festival at a high level of performance.

Procedure: The Contemporary Showcase centre must notify ACNMP of their nominee's name and their piece. Each nominee will submit a link to a YouTube video of their personal performance and submit a copy of the score to info@acnmp.ca on or before February 28th, 2027.

The recipient will be notified, and an announcement will be made on the ACNMP website and Facebook page on or before March 31st, 2027.

Amount of Award: Senior $500 & Junior $250

This award is made possible by memorial donations and the generosity of the Gardiner family and Eva Michalak.