

## Contestants announced for 2020 Cleveland International Piano Competition

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Contestants have been announced for the 2020 Cleveland International Piano Competition, which takes place at the Cleveland Museum of Art and Severance Hall from July 26 to August 9.

Here are the numbers: Piano Cleveland, the presenting organization of the Competition, received 242 applicants from 28 nations. And the 29 chosen contestants, ages 20-32, represent 12 countries: Brazil, China, Croatia, Israel, Italy, Japan, Russia, South Korea, Spain, Tajikistan, Ukraine, and the United States.

At stake is the Mixon First Prize of \$75,000, which also comes with a Carnegie Hall debut, three years of management services, and a recording on the Steinway & Sons label.

The contestants were chosen by a five-member jury that included Dror Biran (associate professor of piano at the College-Conservatory of Music University of Cincinnati), Kathryn Brown (head of the piano department and keyboard division at Cleveland Institute of Music), Yaron Kohlberg (president of Piano Cleveland and 2007 CIPC medalist), Caroline Oltmanns (professor of piano at Youngstown State University), and Paul Schenly (artistic director of the Cleveland International Piano Competition).

The 2020 CIPC contestants are as follows, with their ages at the time of the Competition:

Stefano Andreatta, 29, Italy  
Svetlana Andreeva, 31, Russia  
Jiarui Cheng, 21, China  
Martin Garcia Garcia, 23, Spain  
Youlan Ji, 21, China  
Zhi Chao Juli Jia, 28, China  
Do-Hyun Kim, 25, South Korea  
Honggi Kim, 29, South Korea  
Yedam Kim, 32, South Korea  
Peter Klimo, 29, United States  
Aika Kondo, 22, Japan  
Bowen Li, 24, China  
Ying Li, 22, China  
Ziyu Liu, 22, China  
Roman Lopatynskiy, 27, Ukraine  
Philipp Lynov, 21, Russia  
Anastasiya Magamedova, 22, United States  
Lovre Marusic, 27, Croatia  
Arsenii Mun, 21, Russia  
Daria Parkhomenko, 29, Russia  
Llewellyn Sanchez-Werner, 23, United States  
Rafael Skorka, 31, Israel  
Vitaly Starikov, 25, Russia  
Clayton Stephenson, 21, United States  
Lucas Thomazinho, 25, Brazil  
Takashi Yasunami, 28, Japan  
Lin Ye, 28, China  
Suah Ye, 20, South Korea  
Cunmo Yin, 26, China

*Tickets for the Cleveland International Piano Competition will be available to the public on June 1.*

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