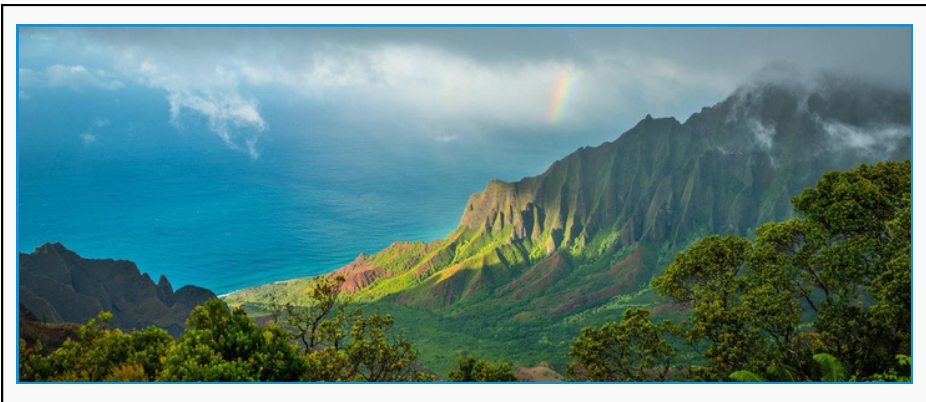


EMA FACULTY NEWS

Dr Esch has been invited to present a recital and master classes at the [CONERO/IPPA International Piano Festival](#) held in RICORNATA, Italy during the summer of 2027. If you would like to participate in this festival, please contact Dr. Esch directly.

Dr. Esch was recently recognized for the 10th year in a row as a Steinway Top Teacher, as well as an international teacher of distinction by CONERO/IPPA

Dr Esch has been invited to present master classes for Steinway Ottawa in
February 2027



Evelyn Esch will appear for the fourth time as a soloist with the Canadian Sinfonietta Orchestra this coming February 13, 2027. She will sing various operatic arias and songs in the celebration of the Chinese New Year

Lauren Esch and Dalen Cubillos continue their graduate level performance degrees on full scholarship at the University of Western Ontario under the guidance of Professor Kyung Kim

RECITAL DATES

The date of the year end school recital has been set for [Sunday, May 30, 2027](#). Location will be [Saint Andrew's Presbyterian Church](#) on Markham Main Street - which was the same location as last year. The recital will be spread out over two programs: juniors/intermediate as well as a senior recital

EMA STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

Since the last EMA letter in June 2026, EMA student have been excelling on exams, in recital formats and in competitions/festivals various types!

- [Iven Jiang](#) will be a participant in the RCM summer piano intensive this August 2026. He will have the opportunity to work with master pedagogues from Canada and the United States.
- [Christella So](#) will make her second appearance with the Markham Concert Band at Markham Theatre in October 2026 where she will be featured as a soloist in two concerted arrangements for piano and Orchestra.
- [Ethan Kuo](#) completed his ARCT in July with First Class Honours
- [Phoebe Chen](#) was successfully admitted into the Steinway Young Artist Club and made her Carnegie Hall recital debut in New York this past summer.
- [Michelle Chou](#) placed second in the professional artist category in the CONERO/IPPA international piano competition final round held in Kansas. Michelle earned an \$800 USD prize.
- [Lilian Chen](#) completed her level 10 piano examination with first class honours with distinction.
- [Isabella Lu](#) was featured in recital for the IMFC competition recital showcase of the stars series at Cornell community centre.

ACHIEVEMENTS CONTINUED

- [Evan Funnell](#) recently gave an outstanding performance of Schumann's a minor piano Concerto with the Durham youth Symphony Orchestra.
- [Ranvir Nahar](#) won the Beethoven Sonata category and a \$1000 USD award at the CONERO/IPPA international piano competition in Kansas. Ranvir also was the scholarship student at the Orford Summer Music Academy.
- [Eric Liu](#) came in third place and was awarded a US\$200 award in the CONERO/IPPA international Piano Competition Young Artist division online category.
- [Audrey Chen](#) received an honourable mention in the open category at the OMFA provincial finals.
- [Lilian Chen](#) received an honourable mention at the OMFA provincial finals.
- [Ethan Funnell](#) received an honourable mention at the OMFA provincial finals and completed his Grade 10 with First Class Honours with Distinction.
- [Michelle Chou](#) received an honourable mention at the open level of the OMFA provincial finals
- [Thomas Liu](#) completed his ARCT with First Class Honours.

[Tafelmusik - Sing Along Messiah](#)

[Tafelmusik - Baroque Fiesta](#)

[National Ballet of Canada -
Sleeping Beauty](#)



DR. ESCH'S TOP 10 GTA CONCERT RECOMMENDATIONS FOR 2026/2027.



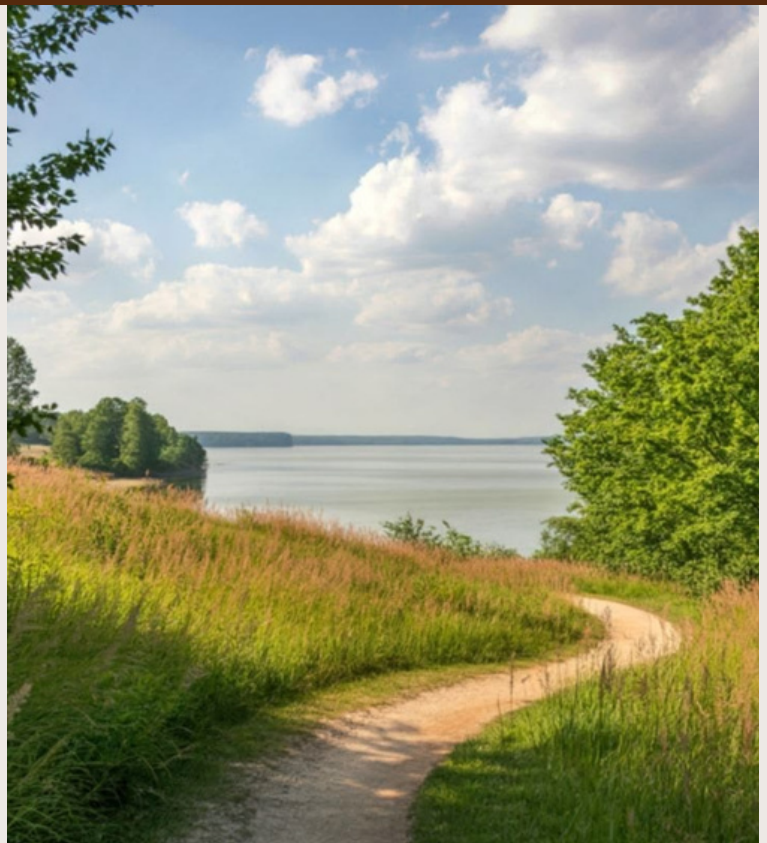
[Ballet Jorgen - Nutcracker](#)

[Canadian Opera Company - La
Traviatta](#)

[Canadian Opera Company - Cosi
fan Tutti](#)

Toronto Symphony with Angela
Hewitt

Toronto Symphony and Yuja
Wong



**DR. ESCH'S TOP 10 GTA CONCERT
RECOMMENDATIONS FOR 2026/2027.**



Daniel Trifonov at Koerner Hall

Sir Stephen Hough at Koerner Hall

EMA CALENDAR 2026/2027.

PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING LESSON DATES FOR 2026/2027. THESE DATES AND TIMES WILL ALSO BE EMAILED OUT SEPARATELY DURING A FALL SEMESTER REGISTRATION EMAIL AND WILL ALSO BE POSTED ON OUR EMA WEBSITE

EMA Recital: Sunday May 30, 2027 from 2:30-8pm

Location: St Andrews Presbyterian Church. 143 Main Street Markham

Fall Lesson schedule: September 6, 2026 - January 31, 2027. PLEASE NOTE:

Due to Labour Day occurring so late in the calendar this year, there are no formal lessons scheduled during the first week of September. HOWEVER, if you would like to take class during that week, please contact Dr Esch via text @ 647.378.0930 to set up a class time for yourself or child.

Payment Schedule: Tuition is charged in 3 installments by semester, due on the first day of each of the first 3 months of the semester. (Fall Semester: Sept 1, Oct 1, Nov 1.) (Winter Semester Feb 1, Mar 1, April 1.) Payments can either be made in cash or via etransfer to: theeschmusicacademy@gmail.com

Monday lessons: (18 Lessons.)

Payment Schedule: Sept 1 x 6 , Oct 1 x 6, Nov 1 x 6

September: 14, 21, 28

October 5, 19, 26

November 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

December 7, 14, 21

January 4, 11, 18, 25

No lesson dates: October 12, December 28

Tuesday lessons: (20 lessons)

Payment Schedule: Sept 1 x 7 , Oct 1 x 7, Nov 1 x 6

September 8, 15, 22, 29

October 6, 13, 20, 27

November 3, 10, 17, 24

December 1, 8, 15, 22

January 5, 12, 19, 26

No lesson dates: December 29

Wednesday lessons:(20 lessons)

Payment Schedule: Sept 1 x 7 , Oct 1 x 7, Nov 1 x 6

September 9, 16, 23, 30

October 7, 14, 21, 28

November 4, 11, 18, 25

December 2, 9, 16, 23

January 6, 13, 20, 27

No lesson dates: December 30

Thursday lessons: (19 lessons)

Payment Schedule: Sept 1 x 7 , Oct 1 x 6, Nov 1 x 6

September 10, 17, 24

October 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

November 5, 12, 19, 26

December 3, 10, 17

January 7, 14, 21, 28

No lesson dates: December 24, 31

Friday Lessons: (18 lessons)

Payment Schedule: Sept 1 x 6, Oct 1 x 6, Nov 1 x 6

September 11, 18, 25

October 2, 16, 23, 30

November 6, 13, 20, 27

December 4, 11, 18

January 8, 15, 22, 29

No lesson dates: October 9, December 25, January 1

Saturday Lessons: (18 lessons)

Payment Schedule: Sept 1 x 6 , Oct 1 x 6, Nov 1 x 6

September 12, 19, 26

October 3, 17, 24, 31

November 7, 14, 21, 28

December 5, 12, 19

January 9, 16, 23, 30

No lesson dates: October 10, December 26, January 2

Sunday lessons: (19 lessons)

Payment Schedule: Sept 1 x 7 , Oct 1 x 6, Nov 1 x 6

September 6, 13, 20, 27

October 4, 18, 25

November 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

December 6, 13, 20

January 10, 17, 24, 31

No lesson dates: October 11, December 27, January 3

Winter semester lesson schedule: February 1, 2027 - June 28, 2027

Payment Schedule: Tuition is charged in 3 installments by semester, due on the first day of each of the first 3 months of the semester. (Fall Semester: Sept 1, Oct 1, Nov 1.) (Winter Semester Feb 1, Mar 1, April 1. Payments can either be made in cash or via etransfer to: theeschmusicacademy@gmail.com

Monday Lessons: (18 lessons)

Payment Schedule: Sept 1 x 6, Oct 1 x 6, Nov 1 x 6

February 1, 8, 22

March 1, 8, 22

April 5, 12, 19, 26

May 3, 10, 17, 31

June 7, 14, 21, 28

No lesson dates: March 15, 29, May 24

Tuesday Lessons: (20 lessons)

Payment Schedule: Sept 1 x 7 , Oct 1 x 7, Nov 1 x 6

February 2, 9, 16, 23

March 2, 9, 23, 30

April 6, 13, 20, 27

May 4, 11, 18, 25

June 1, 8, 15, 22

No lesson dates: March 16, June 29

Wednesday lessons: (20 lessons)

Payment Schedule: Sept 1 x 7 , Oct 1 x 7, Nov 1 x 6

February 3, 10, 17, 24

March 3, 10, 24, 31

April 7, 14, 21, 28

May 5, 12, 19, 26

June 2, 9, 16, 23

No lesson dates: March 17, June 30

Thursday Lessons: (20 lessons)

Payment Schedule: Sept 1 x 7 , Oct 1 x 7, Nov 1 x 6

February 4, 11, 18, 25

March 4, 11, 25

April 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

May 6, 13, 20, 27

June 3, 10, 17, 24

No lesson dates: March 18

Friday lessons: (19 lessons)

Payment Schedule: Sept 1 x 7 , Oct 1 x 6, Nov 1 x 6

February 5, 12, 19, 26

March 5, 12

April 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

May 7, 14, 21, 28

June 4, 11, 18, 25

No lesson dates: March 19, 26

Saturday lessons:(20 lessons)

Payment Schedule: Sept 1 x 7 , Oct 1 x 7, Nov 1 x 6

February 6, 13, 20, 27

March 6, 13, 27

April 3, 10, 17, 24

May 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

June 5, 12, 19, 26

No lesson dates: March 20

Sunday lessons: (19 lessons)

Payment Schedule: Sept 1 x 7 , Oct 1 x 6, Nov 1 x 6

February 7, 14, 21, 28

March 7, 14

April 4, 11, 18, 25

May 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

June 6, 13, 20, 27

No lesson dates: March 28

Summer Semester Schedule (tentative): July 10, 2027 - August 27, 2027



**SEE YOU IN
THE FALL!**

