

# Ian Parker

Pianist / Conductor



Magnetic, easy-going, and delightfully articulate, Canadian pianist/conductor Ian Parker captivates audiences wherever he goes. As a pianist, he has appeared with virtually every Canadian orchestra. Other highlights include the San Francisco, Cincinnati, National/Washington D.C. symphonies, the Cleveland Orchestra at Blossom, and Hong Kong Sinfonietta, to name a few.

Parker is currently serving in his eighth season as Music Director and Principal Conductor of the VAM Symphony Orchestra at the Vancouver Academy of Music, where he programs and conducts four concert cycles per season in Vancouver's historic Orpheum Theatre. Upcoming conducting debuts include the Okanagan and Kamloops Symphony Orchestras.

First Prize winner at the 2001 CBC National Radio Competition, Ian Parker has also won the Grand Prize at the Canadian National Music Festival, the Corpus Christi International Competition and the Montreal Symphony Orchestra Competition. At The Juilliard School, he received the 2002 William Petschek Piano Debut Award and, on two occasions, was the winner of the Gina Bachauer Piano Scholarship Competition. Heard regularly on CBC Radio, he has also performed live on WQXR (hosted by Robert Sherman) in New York.

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“It was a show-stopping performance from Parker and the LPO [Gershwin's Concerto in F] ...”

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