

ORFORD SPECIAL EDITION
MUSIC AWARD
2020



ÉLISABETH PION

Instrument: Piano

Teacher: Ronan O'Hora

Studies: Guildhall School
of Music & Drama

Age: 24 years old

Élisabeth Pion has been awarded scholarships by Jeunesses Musicales Canada, the Canada Centennial Scholarship Fund, and the Guildhall School of Music & Drama in London, where she is currently studying with Professor Ronan O'Hora. She holds a Bachelor's degree from the Conservatoire de musique de Montréal, where she studied with Suzanne Goyette and André Laplante and graduated in 2018 with the highest honors.

Élisabeth Pion won First Prize at the Thousand Islands International Piano Competition, First Prize at the Shean Piano Competition, the Banque Nationale Award at the Prix d'Europe, and the Guildhall Wigmore Recital Prize. She has participated in several masterclasses, most notably with Stephen Hough, Nikolaï Lugansky, Richard Goode, Robert Levin, and Christian Blackshaw.

In 2018, Élisabeth Pion was named one of CBC's "30 Hot Canadian Classical Musicians Under 30" and was selected by *La Scena Musicale* magazine as one of its "15 Risings Stars".

Élisabeth Pion has been selected to participate in the Imogen Cooper Music Trust's 2020-2021 mentorship program for young artists in England. She will perform with the Edmonton Symphony Orchestra in March 2021, and her solo debut at London's Wigmore Hall, scheduled for June 2020, will take place on July 13, 2021.