

David Jalbert

A 5-time Juno Award nominee, pianist David Jalbert has established himself among the elite of his generation of classical musicians and was named by the CBC among the 15 best Canadian pianists of all time. With his personal style, incomparable stage presence, and refined ear, he has wowed audiences and critics everywhere: “Playing that oozes hedonistic charm” (*Gramophone*); “In an age of knuckle-busting keyboard technicians fixated on a single era, composer or concerto, it is a great pleasure to encounter an artist of Jalbert’s stature for whom the piano is simply a transcendent means of human expression” (*WholeNote*); “A virtuoso in the best sense of the word” (*La Presse*); “Wide-ranging musical imagination, phenomenal technique, and an unerring lightness of being” (*The Toronto Star*).

Mr. Jalbert performs regularly as a soloist and recitalist in Canada and across the globe. His solo recordings – of the Goldberg Variations, the Shostakovich Preludes and Fugues, of American, French and Russian piano music – have all garnered praise internationally in venues ranging from *Fanfare* to *France-Culture*. As a soloist, he has appeared with orchestras such as OSM, the Toronto Symphony Orchestra, Les Violons du Roy, the National Symphony of Ireland, and has performed many times with Orchestre Métropolitain and its maestro Yannick Nézet-Séguin. Equally prolific as a chamber musician, he has collaborated with artists such as Nicola Benedetti, Charles Richard-Hamelin, Joel Quarrington, James Campbell and Rachel Barton Pine, and has recorded with Pentaèdre, cellist Denise Djokic, and with his trio *Triple Forte* (with Jasper Wood and Yegor Dyachkov). Mr. Jalbert has won six times at the Prix Opus and is a recipient of the Canada Council for the Arts’ Virginia Parker Prize. He holds degrees from the Juilliard School, the Glenn Gould School, Université de Montréal and Conservatoire de Musique du Québec, and is now a Professor of Piano at the University of Ottawa and a member of the faculty at the Orford Music Academy.

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