

About our student composer program:

In 1997, the Opera Division inaugurated a workshop at the Faculty of Music to give student composers experience writing operatic scenes, following a process of composition, dramaturgy, orchestration and staged public performance. The concept proved so successful that the workshop was ultimately introduced as a formal course in composition at the Master of Music level in 2004. For over twenty years, the student composer collective of the University of Toronto's Faculty of Music has been synonymous with creativity and innovation, from the absurdist, *Rob Ford, the Opera* to this year's chilling piece of Toronto history, *Maid and Master: The Massey Murder*.

The normally staid and placid city of Toronto was thrust into the limelight on February 8, 1915, when Carrie Davies, an 18-year-old British maid shot and killed Charles Bert Massey in defence against his sexual advances. Public opinion was wildly divided at the time as the Masseys were one of the most powerful families in Canada. Basing my libretto on agreed upon facts, I imagined conversations which might have transpired before and after the cataclysmic crime. For those interested in a compelling narrative of certitude, I highly recommend *The Massey Murder* by Charlotte Gray. On the 23rd anniversary of our student composers project, we celebrate the composers listed below and the extraordinary talent they have contributed.

Eugene Artapo (2017)	Bence Kutrik (2010)	William Rowson (2007)
Ivan Barbotin (2011)	Lan-chee Lam (2007)	Fiona Ryan (2008)
Scott Brubacher (2008)	Kevin Lau (2007)	Parisa Sabet (2013)
Constantine Caravassilis (2009)	Emilie Cecilia LeBel (2011)	Adam Scime (2012)
Jason Caron (2013)	Yu-Ting Lin (2015)	Saman Shahi (2012)
Andrew James Clark (2017)	Cecilia Livingston (2010)	Laura Silberberg (2011)
Sharbel Dalal (2011)	Michael Maevskiy (2019)	Bekah Simms (2014)
Elisha Denburg (2010)	Riho Esko Maimets (2011)	Jason Stanford (2005)
Joshua Denenberg (2015)	Shelley Marwood (2014)	Eric R. Stewart (2010)
Robert Drisdelle (2014)	Brian McDonagh (2006)	Robert Taylor (2016)
Keyan Emami (2014)	Peter McGraw (2016)	Felipe Tellez (2018)
Aaron Gervais (2005)	Colin McMahon (2018)	Christopher Thornborrow (2010)
Massimo Guida (2012)	Kevin Mulligan (2019)	Joseph Trefler (2011)
George Harris (2017)	Henry J. Ng (2007)	Aaron Tsang (2009)
Anna Höstman (2012)	Jordan O'Connor (2013)	Roydon Tse (2015)
Kevin Zi-Xiao He (2019)	David Ogborn (2006)	Tyler Versluis (2015)
Glenn James (2008)	Stephanie Orlando (2017)	Steven Webb (2016)
Hanna Kim (2018)	Lee Parkin (2009)	Curtis Wright (2018)
August Murphy-King (2013)	Paul Porito (2018)	Albert Wong (2006)
Sean King (2010)	Liam Ritz (2017)	Tristan Zaba (2019)
Kathryn Knowles (2017)	Daniel Romberger (2019)	Kolby Zinger-Harris (2017)