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## LAUREN MARGISON SOPRANO

Recognized at an early age for her ability to communicate with an audience, soprano Lauren Margison joins the prestigious Atelier Lyrique de l'Opéra de Montréal as one of their youngest members ever in the fall of 2016. This past summer Lauren placed as a finalist in the prestigious and highly competitive Meistersingers Vocal Competition in Nürnberg.

A versatile soprano, she has performed extensively both in Canada and internationally, specializing in classical, jazz and pop repertoire. Some highlights to date include performances for Opera Ontario, the TD Toronto Jazz Festival, The Beaches Jazz Festival, the Ottawa Chamber Music Festival, The Cincinnati Pops, Hannaford Street Silver Band, the noon hour concerts at the Four Seasons Centre for the Performing Arts, Richard Bradshaw Amphitheatre, Ottawa Choral Festival Gala, and the Venetian Ball under the baton of Marco Armiliato, (fundraiser for Villa Charities, Toronto) held on the main stage of the Four Seasons' Centre for the Performing Arts.

She was chosen as one of four singers to perform the music of Gordon Lightfoot for Gordon Lightfoot at the Lifetime Achievement Heart and Vision Awards ceremony and concert and was a featured soloist on the City TV Christmas Carol Sing aired across Canada. She has shared the stage with such distinguished artists as Gordon Lightfoot, Rufus Wainwright, Russell Braun, Isabel Bayrakdarian, Measha Brueggergosman, Nicole Cabell, The Canadian Opera Company Orchestra, Louise Pitre, Sheila McCarthy, The Tenors, Jackie Richardson, Rex Harrington, John Fanning, Elaine Overholt, and her father, Richard Margison.

Ms. Margison appeared as a guest artist with Argentinian tenor, Jose Cura, at the Pavilhao Atlantico in Lisbon, Portugal, performing before an audience of 8,000 and a pan-European television audience. Lauren has also been part of the 4-member female vocal group, 'The Real Divas' and their CD, *Café Society*, is currently in release. After a successful tour of British Columbia and appearing as guest performers on the CBCTV broadcast of the National Jazz Awards, the young women appeared in concerts across the country.

In 2011 she attended the prestigious Castleton Festival in Castleton, Virginia, the brainchild of internationally acclaimed music director and composer, Lorin Maazel, as one of the youngest participants in the vocal division, and in August 2014 was the youngest member of the Highlands Opera Studio. Lauren performs across Canada with her father, Richard Margison, in their vocal duo, 'Back to Back', and continues to hone her vocal art under the tutelage of Richard Margison, and Valerie Kuinka.

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