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PIANO PLUS ANNOUNCES NEW ARTISTIC DIRECTOR

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TORONTO – Piano Plus, Canada’s leading classical music touring program, is pleased to announce the appointment of world-renowned pianist Angela Cheng as its new Artistic Director..

“My ever-expanding solo career keeps me very busy and I need more time for my family. But I also believe that after 13 years, the project needs new ideas, particularly the fresh perspective Angela Cheng brings! “said past Artistic Director Janina Fialkowska. “I am, of course happy to remain in the organization and do the tours for Piano Plus, because it really is Canada’s premier classical music touring organization.”

Angela, a founding member of Piano Six, has toured rural and remote communities across Canada, sharing her deep love of music with a variety of audiences. Like her fellow Piano Plus artists, Angela believes that by traveling to smaller communities, she achieves a unique connection with Canadians by playing in intimate venues such as school gyms, community centres, churches or other public spaces.

“I am a great believer in bringing the beauty of classical music to communities that would otherwise not be able to experience a live performance,” said Angela Cheng. “As the new Piano Plus Artistic Director, I look forward to building on Janina’s work and expanding our touring program to reach out to more communities than ever.”

As Artistic Director, Angela will work closely with the Board of the Piano Six Foundation and the National Director of Piano Plus, making decisions about the artist roster, touring and general programming.

Piano Plus brings Canada's finest classical musicians to communities throughout the country in which opportunities to experience the magic of live performances at an affordable cost are limited or simply non-existent.

For more information on Piano Plus please see www.pianoplus.ca. For more information on Angela Cheng please see www.schmidart.com or www.oberlin.edu/con/faculty/cheng_angela.html.

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