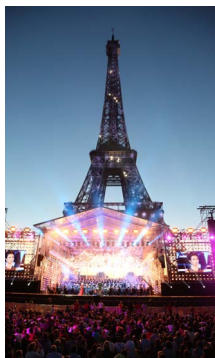


PRESS RELEASE

The Long Thibaud Competition lightens up the Bastille Day celebrations and the Paris fireworks !



The First Prize winners of the Long-Thibaud, **Bohdan Luts**, violin and **Saehyun Kim**, piano, will be Prime time guests at the Grand Evening on France Television for the Paris Concert during the July 14th celebrations. An exceptional musical event with 2 extraordinary artists.

Can be viewed live on France Televisions at 9:00 pm July 14th or in person at the performance on the Champs-de-Mars beginning at 8:00 pm.



"An artist ... capable of conjugating phenomenal talent with a unique musical intelligence and sensitivity"

Saehyun Kim

Having just turned 18 years old, the South Korean pianist Saehyun Kim began his career in Seoul prior to continuing his training in the USA. Winner of several Excellence Awards in 2024, he then joined the double Harvard/NEC program.

Already having won numerous international competitions, Saehyun Kim was unanimously awarded the Grand Prize of the Long-Thibaud Competition as well as the Press Prize and the Public Prize.

He performs solo with orchestras including the Orchestra of the Republican Guard, the National Orchestra of Korea as well as the Philharmonics of Sendai and Arkansas. He has been invited to perform at prestigious venues around the world including Jordan Hall in Boston, the Seoul Arts Center and the Yamaha Hall in Tokyo. In France, he has been welcomed to the Louis Vuitton Foundation and to this year's La Roque d'Anthéron Festival.



" (...) salué autant pour sa maturité musicale et sa sensibilité que pour son jeu intensément expressif et singulier."

Bohdan Luts

Born in Lviv, Ukraine in 2004, Bohdan Luts began playing the violin very young and went to Kiev to for his training and then to Lviv where he studied under Maria Futorska. He then went on to join the Yehudi Menuhin Academy in Switzerland under the leadership of Oleg Kaskiv and Guillaume Chilleme.

Winner of numerous competitions, he walked away with the First Prize of the Carl Nielsen Competition in 2022 and then in 2023, was winner of the Long-Thibaud Competition taking the Public Prize and the Press Prize along with the First Prize.

Under the direction of notable conductors, he has played with orchestras including Odense, Monte-Carlo, Lviv and the famous Capitole de Toulouse.

Bohdan Luts is playing a Carlo Antonio Testore violin lent by Walter Fischli.