

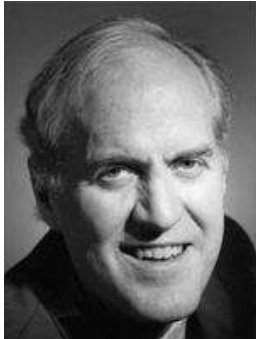


Mayor's Arts Award for Music

2009 recipients

Colin Miles

Honouree



Colin Miles has, for over three decades, been a tireless advocate for Canadian music and composers. Based in Vancouver, he has championed generations of our city's composers and provided leadership not only in our city and our region, but also abroad for the promotion of our country's music.

In addition to his 31 years as BC's regional director for the Canadian Music Centre, Mr Miles has been an active violist in the Vancouver Opera Orchestra, hosted countless salons at home with his wife Winnie Nowell, and sat on numerous boards and committees, both within and outside the music community.

At a time in his life and career when many other people are slowing down, and on the eve of his retirement from the CMC, Mr Miles has become one of Vancouver's most vocal advocates for the essential role the arts play in our lives. He led the movement to save the CBC Radio Orchestra, is spearheading the music community's advocacy at the provincial level, and has always spoken with great passion on behalf of the arts community.

Jordan Nobles

Emerging artist



Jordan Nobles, known for creating music filled with an "unearthly beauty" (Mondomagazine), has emerged as one of Canada's finest composers. Known for his commitment to spatial music, he often takes performers and audiences away from traditional concert experiences. Whether surrounding audiences with ten flutes, filling museums with live musicians on multiple floors, or inviting players to move across the stage during performances, he adds an extra, and often emotional, level of conversation to musical thought.

His music has won First Prize in the Vancouver Bach Choir's National Competition for Large Choirs, and been premiered in Toronto, New York, Vancouver, Calgary, and Lima, Peru. Canada's leading orchestras, choirs chamber ensembles and soloists regularly perform his works, as do groups as diverse as the New York Miniaturist Ensemble, Cologne's Kammercho CONSONO, and New York's Flexible Orchestra. In February 2010, Mr Nobles will collaborate with Aeriosa Dance as part of the 2010 Vancouver Cultural Olympiad.

The 2009 peer jury was Charles Barber, Morna Edmundson, and David Pay.

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