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**FINALISTS ANNOUNCED IN THE 46TH ANNUAL GEORGE LONDON AWARDS
COMPETITION FOR SINGERS – FINAL ROUND AND AWARDS ANNOUNCEMENT IS
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2017, AT 4:00 PM AT THE MORGAN LIBRARY &
MUSEUM’S GILDER LEHRMAN HALL**

February 16, 2017 – Tomorrow afternoon, 18 young American and Canadian opera singers will perform with pianist Craig Rutenberg before a panel of judges and an enthusiastic audience at New York’s Morgan Library & Museum, hoping to win a **George London Award**, an honor that has been conferred upon hundreds of the best young singers since 1971.

Danielle Beckvermit, soprano
Aaron Blake, tenor
Michelle Bradley, soprano
Errin Brooks, tenor
Aryeh Nussbaum Cohen, countertenor
Jonas Hacker, tenor
Evanna Lai, mezzo-soprano
Will Liverman, baritone
Lauren Margison, soprano
Megan Marino, mezzo-soprano
Daniel Moody, countertenor
Andrea Núñez, soprano
Shea Owens, baritone
Cody Quattlebaum, baritone
Lara Secord-Haid, soprano
Carolyn Sproule, mezzo-soprano
Kyle van Schoonhoven, tenor
Brian Vu, baritone

The **George London Foundation** and **George London Awards** are named for the great American bass-baritone, who devoted much of his time and energy in his later years to the support and nurturing of young singers. The announcement will be made by George London’s widow, Nora London, the foundation’s president.

This will be the final round of the 46th annual George London Foundation Awards Competition, one of the oldest and most prestigious vocal competitions in the U.S. and Canada. The singers

will be competing for a total of \$75,000 in awards, including five George London Awards of \$10,000 each.

This year's panel of judges included soprano Harolyn Blackwell, mezzo-soprano Rosalind Elias, former Metropolitan Opera administrator Alfred F. Hubay, George London Foundation President Nora London, mezzo-soprano Susanne Mentzer, tenor and voice professor George Shirley, and baritone Richard Stilwell (who won a George London Award at the first competition, in 1971). The competition pianist is renowned collaborative pianist Craig Rutenberg.

Since 1971, the annual competition of The George London Foundation for Singers has been giving its George London Awards, and a total of more than \$2 million, to an outstanding roster of young American and Canadian opera singers who have gone on to international stardom – the list of past winners includes Christine Brewer, Joyce DiDonato, Renée Fleming, Christine Goerke, Catherine Malfitano, James Morris, Matthew Polenzani, Sondra Radvanovsky, Neil Shicoff, and Dawn Upshaw.

Friday, February 17, 2017, at 4:00 PM
Gilder Lehrman Hall at The Morgan Library & Museum
225 Madison Avenue at 36th Street, New York City

The George London Foundation for Singers Presents
The 46th Annual George London Foundation Awards Competition –
Final Round and Awards Presentation

Tickets: \$25
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