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## 2011 HUGO KAUDER COMPETITION FOR VOICE

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### 7th INTERNATIONAL HUGO KAUDER COMPETITION

For Voice

Classical Music Competition and Winners Concert  
in New Haven, CT, on June 10 and 11, 2011

New Haven, CT, May 13, 2011 — The Hugo Kauder Society is pleased to present its 7th Annual International Hugo Kauder Competition in New Haven, Connecticut. Eight singers (under 35 years of age) have been selected to perform in front of a live jury. The singers are sopranos Amanda Hall, Jamilyn Manning-White, Virginia Allison Barney, and Lesley Anne Friend, tenors Kijong Wi and Jason Hiester, and baritones David Pershall and Brian Robinson. They will compete for first, second and third place and cash prizes by performing art songs composed by Hugo Kauder, as well as a selection of Classical, Romantic, and Contemporary music for voice. The first prize winner will also receive a concert opportunity in New York City.

The distinguished Competition judges are Catherine Malfitano, Metropolitan Opera star and member of the voice faculty of Manhattan School of Music, Ken Benson, Artists' Manager, for 25 years as Vice President of Columbia Artists Management, Inc., and George Boziwick, Chief of the Music Division of The New York Public Library for the Performing Arts. The Competition will be held on Friday, June 10th, 9am to 5pm, at the Neighborhood Music School, 100 Audubon Street, New Haven. The Winners Concert follows on Saturday, June 11th, 12pm to 2pm, at Yale University's Sprague Memorial Hall, 470 College Street, New Haven.

The Hugo Kauder Society's mission is to foster awareness and appreciation of the work of Viennese composer Hugo Kauder (1888-1972), to create opportunities for emerging musicians to gain wider exposure, and to provide audiences with the unique opportunity to encounter Kauder premieres. Hugo Kauder came to the United States as a refugee in 1940, and many of his works have not yet been performed publicly in the U.S. Kauder has set to music numerous poems by distinguished German-speaking poets, such as Goethe and Nietzsche, and also English poetry by Yeats, Joyce and others. Several of the songs performed in this Competition will be world or U.S. premieres.

The public is invited to attend the Competition, which is free, as well as the Winners Concert (suggested contribution \$10). A silent auction for music lovers will take place on site.

For biographies and photos of the judges and the participating musicians please visit [www.hugokauder.org](http://www.hugokauder.org), and for more information please contact [rona@hugokauder.org](mailto:rona@hugokauder.org). ###

