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All Classical Portland Announces 2020 Artists in Residence

PORTLAND, OR – JANUARY 13, 2020 – All Classical Portland is thrilled to announce the station’s 2020 Artists in Residence: flutist Adam Eccleston and pianist Natalie Tan. The Artists in Residence program, launched in 2019, provides young and professional musicians with opportunities for career advancement, creative development, and audience exposure. The program is a part of JOY (Joyous Outreach to You/th), All Classical Portland's initiatives dedicated to equity and inclusivity.

During their year of residency, Professional Artist Adam Eccleston and Young Artist Natalie Tan will perform on *Thursdays @ Three*, All Classical Portland’s weekly live broadcast performance series. The artists will also perform at various All Classical Portland events, write for the station’s website and social media platforms, and enjoy access to the recording facilities and digital archives of All Classical Portland.

“The provision of this residency enables local musicians to engage in deeper artistic specialization and to take creative risks. By backing these artists with the full weight and resources of our dynamic broadcasting network, All Classical Portland helps them realize creative growth, build and strengthen their national profile, and showcase their talent to our listeners in over 100 countries worldwide.” - Suzanne Nance, President & CEO, All Classical Portland.

Adam Eccleston, Professional Artist in Residence: Adam Eccleston is an accomplished flutist of international renown dedicated to promoting diversity and equity in classical music. As a soloist, Adam Eccleston has appeared with several orchestras around the United States and Europe, performing in venues such as the Kurhaus Wiesbaden in Germany and Jordan Hall in Boston. Adam draws musical inspiration from his Caribbean and Panamanian heritage. He works extensively with MESDA group, a non-profit organization active in underdeveloped countries around Central and South America and the Caribbean Islands. Eccleston serves as the Director of the BRAVO Cesar Chavez Wind Program and is also co-founder of the duo *From A to Z* with Mexican-born guitarist Zaira Meneses.

“I’m still in awe that All Classical has seen how passionate I am about music and teaching. I’m forever grateful to use this incredible platform to further my music endeavors and to share it with everyone.” - Adam Eccleston, flutist

Natalie Tan, Young Artist in Residence: Natalie Tan is a senior student at Jesuit High School in Portland, Oregon. She has studied piano for eleven years and is currently a student of Linda Barker. Natalie is a two-time winner of MetroArts Inc.’s Young Artists Debut! Van Buren Concerto Concert (2017 & 2020), and winner of the 2017 PYP Biennial Piano Concerto Competition. Natalie serves on Jesuit High School's mock trial team and is in her fourth year as an intern at OHSU. In addition to her passion for music, Natalie loves to travel, discuss science and policy, and analyze literature. All Classical Portland partners with MetroArts Inc. for its Young Artist in Residence Program. MetroArts Inc. is a non-profit organization dedicated to promoting life-long learning through the arts.

“I have grown up listening to All Classical and it has been my source of inspiration and comfort for many years. I am excited to be a part of this community which is so integral to Portland’s identity and strives to give so much of itself for its listeners.” – Natalie Tan, pianist

Adam Eccleston and Natalie Tan will make their public debut in their newly appointed roles at All Classical Portland's *Lovefest*, a concert featuring Portland's top musical talent introduced by the station's radio personalities. *Lovefest* takes place at 7pm on February 19, 2020 at the Newmark Theatre. Tickets and information available at allclassical.org.

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All Classical Portland is Portland, Oregon's classical radio station. Established in 1983, All Classical Portland's mission is to advance knowledge of and appreciation for classical music; to build and sustain culturally vibrant local and global communities around this art form; to reflect the spirit of the Pacific Northwest; and to foster integrity, quality, and innovation in all that we do. All Classical Portland launched the International Children's Arts Network (ICAN) in 2019.

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