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Award-winning Pianist Ko-Eun Yi to Present Recital in El Camino College's Marsee Auditorium

Celebrated pianist Ko-Eun Yi will explore how religion has influenced classical composers in a compelling solo recital scheduled for 8 p.m. Oct. 13 in El Camino College's Marsee Auditorium.

Yi will present "The Glory," a recital that explores the role of faith and religion in the music of Johann Sebastian Bach, Olivier Messiaen, Joseph Haydn and Franz Liszt.

Born in Seoul, Korea, Yi began her piano studies when she was 3 years old. She earned her bachelor's degree and Master of Music degrees at The Juilliard School and completed her professional studies degree at Manhattan School of Music. She is now pursuing a doctorate in musical arts at the State University of New York at Stony Brook.

Winner of the 2013 Concert Artists Guild Victor Elmaleh Competition, Yi has performed solo concerts in New York City, Washington, D.C., Chicago, Louisiana and Massachusetts, as well as internationally in Spain and Korea. She was also a 2010 gold medalist in both the Cincinnati World Piano Competition and the Wideman International Piano Competition in Louisiana. Yi's performing style has been called "at once flawless and dazzling."

Yi has been featured on WQXR's long-running Young Artists Showcase program, including a live interview and in-studio performance. She was also invited to participate in WQXR's June 2016 Chopin Piano Marathon, with a live video stream of her performances of Chopin's Ballade No. 1 and Scherzo No. 1, followed by later audio broadcast.

Tickets for the performance are \$26 and may be purchased online at centerforthearts.org using the online ticketing system, or by phone at 800-832-ARTS. The Ticket Office is open Monday through Friday 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Campus parking is \$3. Marsee Auditorium is located at 16007 Crenshaw Boulevard, Torrance.