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## Quick Facts

- Pianist John O'Connor will perform a public concert on June 26 at 7:30 p.m.
- O'Connor's June 26-30 master piano class is open to middle school-college students, teachers and performers.



*John O'Connor*

ROCK HILL, S.C. - World-renowned pianist **John O'Connor** will offer a **master piano class** and a **public concert** on Winthrop's campus in late June.

**O'Connor**, known for his masterful interpretations of classic and early Romantic repertoires, will perform a concert on Saturday, June 26, at 7:30 p.m. in **Barnes Recital Hall**. Tickets are \$5 for Winthrop students, \$10 for faculty/staff and seniors and \$15 for the general public.

The **June 26-30 master piano class** is open to students from junior high/middle school through college as well as all teachers and performers. Registration is under way, and part-time auditing (\$125 per day) and tuition (\$750; includes 3.0 hours of university credit) spots are available.

Born in Dublin, Ireland, **O'Connor** studied with pedagogue Dieter Weber in Vienna and made a special study of Beethoven with famed German pianist Wilhelm Kempff. He has made recital and concerto appearances throughout the world, and **O'Connor** regularly performs in Europe, the U.S., Japan, Korea and China. His work has earned him numerous prestigious accolades, including the "l'Ordre des Arts et des Lettres" from the French government and the Austrian government's "Ehrenkreuz fur Wissenschaft und Kunst." **O'Connor's** recordings – including his latest, the complete Beethoven Piano Concertos with the London Symphony Orchestra – have garnered critical acclaim.

In addition, pianist **Lynn Rice-See**, professor of piano at Middle Tennessee State University, will present a recital on Monday, June 28, at 7:30 p.m. in Barnes Recital Hall. In conjunction with the 200th birthday celebration of Robert Schumann and Frédéric Chopin, Rice-See will perform Schumann's "Carnaval," "Op. 9" and Chopin's "Sonata No. 3 in B Minor, Op. 58." Admission to this performance is free.

For more information about the master piano class, contact Matthew Manwarren at 803/323-4639 or [manwarrenm@winthrop.edu](mailto:manwarrenm@winthrop.edu). Call Winthrop's **Department of Music** at 803/323-2255 for concert information.

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