



About Mélanie Léonard

Mélanie Léonard, music director and conductor for the Sudbury Symphony Orchestra, is known for her youthful vibrancy and dynamic versatility with musical genres and styles.

She served as Calgary Philharmonic Orchestra's resident conductor from 2009 to 2012 and as associate conductor for the 2012-2013 season.

Ms. Léonard's impassioned love of music, her charming stage presence, and her rapport with musicians and audiences are quickly becoming known on the national music scene. She has guest conducted with a number of Canadian orchestras including the Toronto Symphony Orchestra, the Edmonton Symphony Orchestra, Orchestre Métropolitain du Grand Montréal, Symphony Nova Scotia, Kamloops Symphony Orchestra, Thunder Bay Symphony Orchestra and I Musici.

A Montréal native, Ms. Léonard illustrates her virtuosity on the classical and jazz scenes. 2007 marked her first of several collaborations with the Montréal International Jazz Festival.

In 2014, she founded the [Wild West New Music](#) Ensemble in Calgary, for which she acts as music director and conductor. From 2014 to 2016, she also served as artistic director for the Calgary New Music Festival.