

# Michael Bridge, *concert-accordion*

Condensed Bio

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Concert-accordionist **Michael Bridge**, one of CBC's "30 Hot Classical Musicians Under 30", is internationally renowned for his commanding stage-presence and versatility. He made his solo orchestral debut with the Boston Pops and tours frequently in Europe and the Americas, giving over 100 concerts per year. He received the Lieutenant Governor's Emerging Artist medal (Alberta), and won the Canadian Digital Accordion Championships and the University of Toronto Concerto Competition, where he studies accordion performance. Michael continually performs new music and has premiered over 30 works. He has been profiled by CBC Radio, CTV and the Toronto Star, boldly redefining the sound and image of his traditional instrument.

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*"I'm amazed at what you do with this instrument, I find it totally baffling!"*

- Maestro Keith Lockhart, Boston Pops

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