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BB TRUST ANNOUNCES AWARD WINNERS FOR 2006

Three singers, a pianist, trombonist, violist and piano trio are the 2006 line-up of outstanding young musicians chosen for Borletti-Buitoni Trust awards and fellowships in 2006, the Trust's fourth year. Nominated by some of the world's most renowned musicians and music industry professionals, the final choice of winners is determined by the BB Trust artistic committee. The winners are:

AWARD WINNERS

Joshua Hopkins (Canadian baritone)

Andrew Kennedy (British tenor)

Jörgen van Rijen (Dutch trombonist)

Antoine Tamestit (French violist)

FELLOWSHIP WINNERS

Ronan Collett (British baritone)

David Piano Trio (Italian)

Ieva Jokubaviciute (Lithuanian pianist)

BB Trust Award Winners receive support to the value of £20,000 over a two-to three-year period, while **Fellowship** winners receive support to the value of between £10,000 and £15,000.

Perhaps even more important to the new winners than the funding of projects is the invaluable mentorship, experience, commitment and contact network of the Artistic and Honorary Committees. In 2006 a new partnership with the **Verbier Festival Academy** is launched with the creation of the **The Borletti-Buitoni Trust Chamber Music Programme** (see separate release enclosed). A residency at Snape Maltings, Aldeburgh will also take place as the forerunner to a five-venue European tour of BB Trust winners with violinist **Christian Tetzlaff**, one of the BB Trusts honorary committee members, starting in September 2006 (details to be announced shortly).

Each Borletti-Buitoni Trust prize is tailor-made to meet the needs of the individual artist, the aim being to provide help in as flexible and innovative a way as possible. The range of projects which can be undertaken is diverse: from the purchase of bows, scores or instrument cases to the commissioning of new works, making a recording or undertaking musical or language studies. The BB Trust also provides advice and introductions in such areas as public relations, auditions and appointing managing agents as well as showcases for the winners on BBT-produced CDs and CD-ROMs.

Borletti-Buitoni Charitable Trust

Trustees Ilaria Borletti Buitoni Chair Franco Buitoni David Landau Alice Palmer Mitsuko Uchida

Artistic Committee Franco Buitoni Adam Gatehouse Martijn Sanders Mitsuko Uchida

Executive Director Susan Rivers

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Notes:

- Short biographies of the 2006 Borletti-Buitoni Trust Award Winners and Fellowships are attached.
 - Visit the BB Trust website www.bbtrust.com for further information, updates and biographies of the 2003 to 2006 BB Trust Award Winners and Fellowships. Video and audio pages are now available.
 - The Artistic Committee of the BB Trust consists of internationally-renowned pianist Mitsuko Uchida, Adam Gatehouse (Editor, Live Music Radio 3 and Executive Producer, BBC New Generation Artists), Martijn Sanders (Director of Concertgebouw in Amsterdam), and Franco Buitoni (President of Associazione Amici della Musica, Perugia).
 - The BB Trust is a private foundation formed by Ilaria Borletti-Buitoni and Franco Buitoni.
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