

*"Robert Henry is a special breed, and I mean that in the most complimentary sense of the phrase. He has it all - the whole package of artistic gifts - and in abundance. But, what strikes about his playing is the sheer beauty - the concept, the intelligence, the control over every sound, the vision, the phenomenal listening to it all - all the attributes that comprise great artistry of the sort that touches our souls." Constance Carroll*



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## PIANIST

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• **Gold Medalist in Four International Piano Competitions** •

New Orleans IPC, Alfredo Barilli IPC, Washington IPC, Missouri Southern IPC

• **Critically-acclaimed solo debuts** •

Carnegie Hall, Kennedy Center, St. James Church, Wells Cathedral, Strathmore Hall

Phillips Collection, American Pianists Association, Chopin Foundation of America

MTNA National Convention (Opening Recital), Seiler Piano Festival, Eckhardt-Gramatté Hall

Ibla-Ragusa Piano Festival, Tours of England and Nova Scotia

• **Recent major orchestral debuts** •

Atlanta Symphony Orchestra, Louisiana Philharmonic

• **Collaborations with major artists and ensembles** •

Robert Spano, Donald Runnicles, Fletcher Wolfe, Stefan Sanderling, the Pacifica Quartet

Atlanta Boy Choir, cellist Shauna Rolston, soprano Mary Ann Hart and tenor Sergio Blasquez

• **Coordinated the "\$100,000 Hurricane Katrina Relief Tour"** •

Raised \$108,000 presenting fundraising concerts throughout the United States

• **Artist-in-Residence at Kennesaw State University** •

• **Debut recording to be released in 2009** •

• **Endorsed by Steinway Pianos** •

• **Based in Atlanta, GA** •

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"Carnegie Hall was substantially filled...diverse, exciting programming...  
...intelligent and sensitive interpretation...a triumphant debut!"

**JOPLIN GLOBE**

"The Kennedy Center soloist was (Robert Henry)...smooth,  
limpid phrasing...technically flawless." **WASHINGTON TIMES**

"The highlight of the evening was Robert Henry's performance of the  
unconventional Tchaikovsky Piano Concerto No. 2 in G... he excelled  
in each cadenza, his hands racing across the keyboard at blinding  
speed, executing dramatic chords and elaborate arpeggios with ease...  
he seemed to barely touch the keys, drawing gentle sounds that  
seemed to rise effortlessly from the piano...an evening of discovery."

**TIMES-PICAYUNE**

"...at Strathmore Hall... dazzling ability to turn the percussion instrument into a sonorous orchestra...stratospheric  
sounds...rumbling earthiness...his colorful, virtuosic, sensitive playing proved that nothing surpasses  
finely executed Chopin." **WASHINGTON POST**

"...an accomplished musician...his pianism was exceedingly versatile, offering nimble trills, languorous moods and  
fluid and elegant phrasing." **ATLANTA JOURNAL-CONSTITUTION**

"Robert Henry is extraordinarily gifted...an artist of great individuality and inspiration." **Pianist GARY GRAFFMAN**

"Robert Henry is a consummate artist...brilliant, formidable, and the epitome of  
control and poise." **Pianist and Author SEYMOUR BERNSTEIN**

"It is a great pleasure to recommend to your attention the young  
musician, pianist Robert Henry. He is a sincere, caring, and  
gentle human being with astounding technical mastery and a  
mature musical mind. He is a natural in every sense of the  
word – his gifts are immediately obvious to everyone."

**Pianist LORIN HOLLANDER**

"...a powerful pianist with a big sound...imaginative range of  
interpretation...exquisite control."

**INDIANAPOLIS STAR**





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### **One sentence (16 Words):**

Pianist **Robert Henry** has earned a reputation for stunning virtuosity, beautiful tone and pure audience appeal.

### **Two sentences (38 Words):**

With critically acclaimed debuts at Carnegie Hall and the Kennedy Center under his belt, pianist **Robert Henry** is Artist-in-Residence at Kennesaw State University. Gold medalist in four International Competitions, Dr. Henry is releasing his debut CD in 2009.

### **Three sentences (59 Words):**

With critically acclaimed debuts at Carnegie Hall and the Kennedy Center under his belt, pianist **Robert Henry** is Artist-in-Residence at Kennesaw State University. Gold Medalist in four International Piano Competitions, he has been hailed as a "consummate artist - brilliant, formidable, elegant, and the epitome of poise and control." Dr. Henry will be releasing his debut CD in 2009.

### **Super-short (112 Words):**

**Robert Henry** is an internationally distinguished pianist who has been heard throughout the world as soloist, accompanist and chamber musician, presenting critically-acclaimed solo debuts at the Kennedy Center and Carnegie Hall. A recently named Steinway Artist, he has enjoyed success in nearly every important piano competition in the world, winning the Gold Medal in four International Piano Competitions in the 2001-2002 season alone. Future projects include a London debut in Wigmore Hall and a debut recording of Nocturnes, to be released in 2009. He currently serves as Artist-in-Residence at Kennesaw State University. Mr. Henry earned the Doctor of Musical Arts degree from the University of Maryland. He maintains his web-presence at [www.roberthenry.org](http://www.roberthenry.org).

### **Short (170 Words):**

Pianist **Robert Henry** performs throughout the world as soloist, accompanist and chamber musician. Born in Atlanta, he began his musical studies at age seven, and has developed a passion for

*the stage and studio. Critics have hailed him as a “consummate artist - brilliant, formidable, effortless, and the epitome of control and poise.” He has enjoyed success in nearly every important piano competition in the world, winning the Gold Medal in four International Piano Competitions in the 2001-2002 season alone. Career highlights include critically-acclaimed solo debuts at the Kennedy Center and Carnegie Hall, and he recently presented his major orchestral debut with the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra. A recently named Steinway Artist, he presented the opening recital for the 2004 MTNA National Convention. Future projects include a London debut in Wigmore Hall and a debut recording of Nocturnes, to be released in 2009. He serves as Artist-in-Residence at Kennesaw State University. Mr. Henry earned the Doctor of Musical Arts degree from the University of Maryland. He maintains his web-presence at [www.roberthenry.org](http://www.roberthenry.org).*

### **Medium (255 Words):**

*Pianist **Robert Henry** began his musical studies at age seven and is passionate for the stage and studio, performing throughout the world as soloist, accompanist and chamber musician. Critics have hailed him as a “consummate artist - brilliant, formidable, effortless, and the epitome of control and poise.”*

*Career highlights include critically-acclaimed solo debuts at the Kennedy Center and Carnegie Hall, and he recently presented his major orchestral debut with the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra. He presented the opening recital at the 2004 MTNA National Convention and will soon present his London debut in prestigious Wigmore Hall. Mr. Henry has enjoyed success in nearly every important piano competition in the world, winning the Gold Medal in four International Piano Competitions in the 2001-2002 season alone. These prizes stand alongside fourteen other first place awards received throughout his career. Recently, he coordinated and performed in the ‘Pianists for New Orleans’ tour of the United States.*

*Endorsed by Steinway Pianos, Mr. Henry has earned a reputation for giving stunning performances of the most demanding repertoire and for presenting often overlooked masterpieces to the public, from Bach to Boulanger. His next major project is his debut recording of Nocturnes, to be released in 2009. Mr. Henry has earned the Doctor of Musical Arts degree from the University of Maryland. An educator and pedagogue, Mr. Henry presents master classes, lectures, youth concerts, and he serves as Artist-in-Residence at Kennesaw State University. Robert and his wife Meryl make their home in the mountains of Jasper, Georgia. He maintains his web-presence at [www.roberthenry.org](http://www.roberthenry.org).*

### **Professional Length (559 Words):**

***Robert Henry** is an internationally distinguished pianist who has been hailed as a “consummate artist - brilliant, formidable, effortless, and the epitome of control and poise.” Born in Atlanta, he began his musical studies at age seven, and developed a passion for the stage and studio, performing throughout the world as soloist, accompanist and chamber musician, sharing the stage with artists such as conductors Robert Spano, Donald Runnicles and Stefan Sanderling, cellist Shauna Rolston, the Pacifica Quartet, soprano Mary Ann Hart and tenor Sergio Blazquez. Possessing the rare combination*

*of insight, inspiration and an amazing technique, his artistry continues to touch and electrify audiences across the world.*

*Career highlights include solo debut recitals at Carnegie Hall, the Kennedy Center and Strathmore Hall, with critics praising his "flawless technique, smooth and limpid phrasing, exciting programming", finally announcing "a triumphant debut from an artist of major import!" Of his recent major orchestral debut with the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra, the Atlanta Journal Constitution claimed Robert as "...an accomplished musician, versatile and elegant...he elevated the concerto to a poignant statement." He performed the opening concert for the 2004 MTNA National Convention, and has presented concerts under the auspices of American Pianists Association and Chopin Foundation of America. As accompanist, he toured with the Grammy-winning Atlanta Boy Choir under the direction of Fletcher Wolfe, and he has accompanied the master classes of eminent artists Jerry Hadley, Frederica von Stade and Håkan Hagegård. Mr. Henry will soon present his London debut in prestigious Wigmore Hall.*

*Mr. Henry has enjoyed success in nearly every important piano competition in the world, winning the Gold Medal in four International Piano Competitions in the 2001-2002 season alone. These prizes stand alongside fourteen other first place awards received throughout his career. On three occasions, juries have spontaneously created special prizes to honor his performances. He was a laureate of the 2003 Seiler International Piano Competition (Germany), and he was recognized in the 2003 Leeds International Piano Competition (England), arguably the world's most revered competition.*

*A recently named Steinway Artist, he has earned a reputation for giving stunning performances of the most demanding repertoire and for presenting overlooked masterpieces to the public, from Bach to Boulanger. One New York critic noted that the "...Chopin-Godowsky Etudes were beautiful beyond description. His sound brings to mind the great pianists of the past, for whom beauty of tone was integral to the structure of the phrase." In response to Hurricane Katrina, he coordinated and performed in the 2006 'Pianists for New Orleans' tour of the United States, and for these efforts, he was presented with the Distinguished Service Award by the Musical Arts Society of New Orleans. Future projects include a 2009 debut recording of Nocturnes, with other recordings to follow, including the complete piano music of the late American composer Robert Helps.*

*Mr. Henry has earned the Doctor of Musical Arts degree from the University of Maryland. He has studied closely with pianists Larissa Dedova, Anne Koscielny, David Watkins, Sergei Babayan and Andre Watts. As an educator and pedagogue, Mr. Henry presents lectures, master classes, youth concerts, has been featured in American Music Teacher, and he operates an exclusive private studio in Atlanta, GA. He serves as Artist-in-Residence at Kennesaw State University. Robert and his wife Meryl make their home in the mountains of Jasper, Georgia. He maintains his web-presence at [www.roberthendry.org](http://www.roberthendry.org).*

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