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Hillsdale College Hosts Award-Winning Pianist Peter Klimo

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HILLSDALE, Mich. — The Hillsdale College Music Department hosted award-winning pianist Peter Klimo on Jan. 31. Klimo taught a masterclass for several piano students and gave a guest recital, which were both open to audience members from campus and the community.

“It was a joy to host Dr. Klimo on campus,” said Daniel Tacke, chair of the Hillsdale Music Department. “His incredible virtuosity and deeply musical playing made for one of the most engaging concerts we have had this year, and his masterful yet down-to-earth teaching gave our students an important glimpse of what it takes to reach such a level.”

Klimo’s recital included Liszt’s “Réminiscences de Don Juan” and Rachmaninov’s “Variations on a Theme of Corelli.”

Klimo also gave a piano masterclass for four Hillsdale piano students, which audience members from campus and the community were invited to observe. Klimo listened as each student performed a piano piece from memory and then coached them on ways to improve.

“Masterclasses are wonderful opportunities for participants and observers alike,” Tacke said. “They can range from specific technical information to broader aspects of style and music history. There is always something to learn, whether you play the instrument in question or not.”

A Hungarian-American pianist, Klimo is a prizewinner of the Bartok World Piano Competition, the Bösendorfer International Piano Competition, and the International Franz Liszt Piano Competition. He is assistant professor of piano at California State University Fresno.

For photos from Klimo's visit, click [here](#). For photos of Hillsdale College, click [here](#). For a high-resolution copy of the Hillsdale College clocktower logo, click [here](#).

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