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Van Cliburn medalist Kenny Broberg to perform in KC for first time since competition

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Park University pianist Kenny Broberg will perform for the first time in Kansas City since winning the silver medal in the prestigious Van Cliburn International Piano Competition.

He will play pieces from his Van Cliburn repertoire at 4 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 10, at the Folly Theater. Tickets are on sale now and start at \$20.

The 23-year-old graduate student is studying at Park under 2001 Cliburn gold medal winner Stanislav Ioudenitch. The Cliburn is held every four years in Fort Worth, Texas. The competition whittles contestants down from a field of 140 from around the world. Thirty are chosen to perform over an intensive three-week competition with four elimination rounds. During the competition, Broberg would practice for up to eight hours a day, icing his hands and arms at night to recover.

For three years, the Cliburn will provide mentoring and will help book Broberg in performances all over the country.

For more performance information and to purchase tickets, visit icm.park.edu or call 816-474-4444.

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Park University graduate student Kenny Broberg plans to use Kansas City as his home base as he travels the world performing. Jill Toyoshiba - jtoyoshiba@kcstar.com