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THE 51ST ANNUAL **FISCHOFF**

NATIONAL CHAMBER MUSIC COMPETITION

Friday, May 10 - Sunday, May 12, 2024



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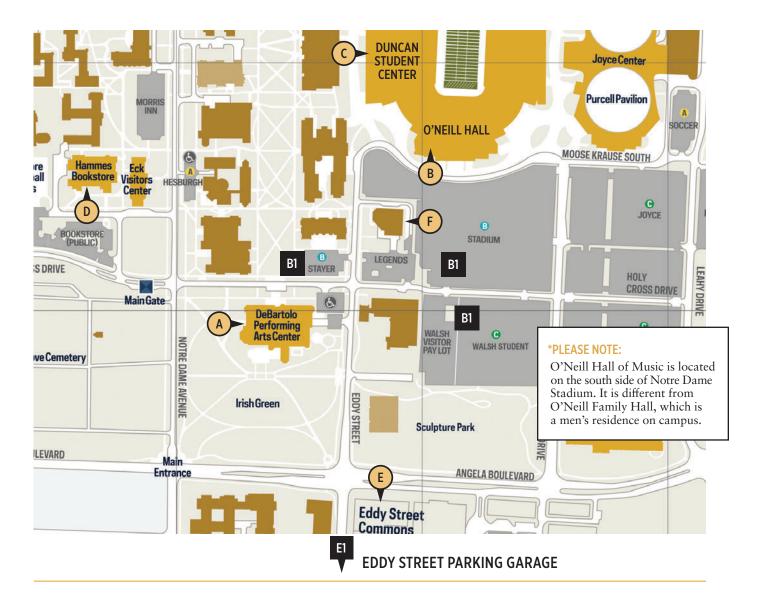
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- D Notre Dame Bookstore
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- F Legends of Notre Dame Restaurant

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Payment is <u>not</u> required in the above listed parking lots outside of regular business hours or on weekends.

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WELCOME TO THE FISCHOFF

STATE OF INDIANA OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR State House, Second Floor Indianapolis, Indiana 46204 Eric J. Holcomb

On behalf of our great state, it is a pleasure to welcome everyone to the 51st Annual Fischoff National Chamber Music Competition.

We are happy to host talented musicians from around the globe who will share their musical abilities with Hoosiers as well as other guests. This competition showcases the strong commitment, work ethic and passion of the participants in

Thank you to the many family members, instructors, teachers, and sponsors who this year's event. encourage these young musicians participating in the Fischoff National Chamber Music Competition. Your dedication to the education and personal growth of our young people is commendable.

Congratulations again to all of this year's participants and best of luck in the competition.

Sincerely,

EMC Howard

Eric Holcomb





Welcome competitors, jurors, guests, and friends...



May 12, 2024

Welcome!

On behalf of the City of South Bend, I am excited to welcome you to the Fischoff National Chamber Music Competition.

For over half a century, South Bend and the surrounding community have supported The Fischoff to encourage young people to pursue the study and performance of chamber music. The Fischoff Competition has become a gem in our community, hosting over 8,000 young musicians since its founding, and has become a cornerstone of chamber music on the global stage. I applaud the Fischoff Competition for supporting the growth of the arts and for providing a structure within which young musicians can develop and share their

Here in South Bend, we value the importance of the arts and find pride in being the home of the South Bend Symphony Orchestra, Morris Performing Arts Center, and South Bend Museum of Art, all of which are hubs of artistic activity in our city. I encourage you to explore South Bend's attractions and businesses during your stay. I look forward to joining you on the campus of the University of Notre Dame and listening to your performances along with many others.

Your hard work, commitment, and dedication that brought you here already marks you a winner. Congratulations on qualifying for the nation's largest chamber music competition. Once again, welcome to South Bend. Best of luck, enjoy all the music and please visit us again soon!

Sincerely,

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James Mueller Mayor



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We proudly support chamber music creation, presentation, education, and innovation. That is why a Fischoff Competition gold medal winner has graced the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center Presenting Series since 2008.









UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

Rev. John I. Jenkins, C.S.C. President



May 10, 2024

Dear Fischoff Competition Participants and Guests, Welcome to the 51st Annual Fischoff National Chamber Music Competition. We are delighted to welcome you to the University of Notre Dame's campus for the 22nd time in the Fischoff National Chamber Music Competition's history.

Since its inception in 1973, the Fischoff National Chamber Music Association has been living out its mission of "inspiring lives through breathtaking performances." The Association's support of the nation's finest young chamber ensembles and its extensive community outreach benefit young people from all backgrounds and are to be commended.

Congratulations to all participants—and to those who love and support them—on the honor of being selected for the nation's largest chamber music competition. We wish you every success in your musical pursuits and in all of your future endeavors.

> Rev. John I. Jenkins, C.S.C. President



FROM THE FISCHOFF PRESIDENT

Dear Participants, Jurors, and Chamber Music Enthusiasts:

On behalf of the Fischoff's Board of Directors, it is my great pleasure to welcome you to the 51st Fischoff National Chamber Music Competition. As we gather in South Bend, Indiana, we celebrate the harmonious convergence of talent, passion, and dedication that defines chamber music.

The Fischoff Competition, founded in 1973, has blossomed into the largest chamber music competition in the world. It stands as a testament to the enduring power of music to connect hearts and minds across cultures and generations. Here, on this prestigious stage, you will witness exceptional performances, witness the fusion of tradition and innovation, and experience the magic that only live music can evoke.

TO OUR ESTEEMED COMPETITORS:

Your commitment to excellence inspires us all. As you share your artistry, remember that you are not merely competing but contributing to a legacy of musical brilliance. May your performances resonate with authenticity, creativity, and unwavering dedication.

TO OUR DISTINGUISHED JURORS:

Your discerning ears and insightful critiques shape the future of chamber music. We eagerly anticipate your guidance and appreciate your commitment to nurturing emerging talent.

TO OUR CHERISHED GUESTS AND FRIENDS:

Your presence enriches our musical tapestry. Thank you for supporting the Fischoff mission and for being part of this extraordinary journey.

Let us honor not only the competitors of the past but also those who have championed our cause of inspiring lives through breathtaking performances.

Welcome to the Fischoff!

With warm regards,

John De Sonza

John De Souza, Board President

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FROM THE ARTISTIC DIRECTOR — THOMAS ROSENBERG

We often hear it said that The Fischoff is "different and special."

And yet to me, it feels like we are all just doing things in a normal way. The core values of "The Fischoff" come from our founder, Joe Fischoff whose goals were different from other competitions... being first and foremost an educational organization, insisting on having a Junior Division, and always doing everything with kindness and integrity. 44 years ago when I came to South Bend with The Chester String Quartet, I was thrilled to have a quartet residency at Indiana University South Bend, as there were almost no such residencies back then. One of the first calls on my new phone was from Joe Fischoff, welcoming me to the community. Little did I know what that would lead to! Very shortly after, I was asked to take on a leadership role with this organization and have promised to keep those core values of foremost importance, even as the Fischoff has grown into an arts organization of regional, national, and growing international importance that has been a key player in the huge growth of chamber music in pre-college, college, and professional levels. The consistent high-level of musicmaking at this event is a testament to that and is probably beyond what Joe Fischoff would have imagined. In addition, the Fischoff impacts thousands of local school children who experience dynamic and creative chamber music presentations, most often given by ensembles from the current or past competitions. Throughout this transformation, I am proud that the original educational goals of Joe Fischoff and the other founding members have remained intact at the core of the organization. I hope that is what makes The Fischoff different and special!

TO THE PERFORMERS:

I urge you all to take as much as you can from this weekend. My colleagues and I take great care to make your experience here a positive one. Hopefully, you will be one of the prize-winning ensembles. But, there is so much you can do to learn and improve while you are here. Do so by enjoying your opportunity to perform, getting written and verbal feedback from the



jurors, listening to other ensembles in both the Junior and Senior Divisions to gain perspective on your own playing, and getting to know other musicians here. Perhaps in the future, you will be playing with someone you first met here. Ultimately, you may or may not agree with the difficult decisions the jury must make. Remember that even in your own ensembles you undoubtedly do not always agree with your colleagues. Playing your best is the only thing you can control. Enjoying yourself and staying focused on the music is the best way to achieve that. Best of luck to all of you.

TO OUR AUDIENCE AND SUPPORTERS:

I thank you for your engaged involvement and ask for your continued support to the wonderful people and organizations that help fund the Fischoff, especially to the amazing people on the Fischoff Board.

TO THE FISCHOFF STAFF:

We have different skills, personalities, and styles, but there is tremendous chemistry and trust that leads to creativity and success. I consider you close friends, feel blessed to know and work with you and greatly appreciate all you do.

Thomas Rosenberg, Artistic Director

Cellist Thomas Rosenberg, Artistic Director of the Fischoff National Chamber Music Competition since 1981, is nationally known as a dynamic teacher, chamber music coach, and performer. A resident of Saint Paul, MN, he is on the faculties of Carleton and Macalester Colleges and maintains an award-winning private studio of pre-college cellists and chamber ensembles. He is a member of the Isles Ensemble, has performed in The Saint Paul Chamber Orchestra and Minnesota Orchestra and blogs and has been a live internet chat host on the Cellobello website. Tom is a three-time Naumburg Award finalist, prize winner at the Munich (Germany), Portsmouth (England), and Chicago's Discovery chamber music competitions, recipient of the "Master Studio Teacher Award" from ASTA Minnesota, the McKnight Performing Artist Fellowship Award, Arts Educator of the Year from the Michiana Arts and Sciences Council, and the 2007 Indiana Governor's Arts Award (along with the entire Fischoff organization). He has performed and taught at many summer festivals including The Quartet Program, Aspen and Tanglewood, and has had 30 of his students chosen to be on "From The Top." Previously, he was a founding member of the highly acclaimed Chester String Quartet with whom he toured internationally for twenty years, made numerous recordings and was on the faculty of Indiana University South Bend from 1980-1998. A believer in the power of music to be a positive force in the world, he has recently performed in fundraisers for Ukraine raising over \$110 thousand dollars and was a teaching Ambassador in Cuba. Tom is a graduate of Oberlin and the Eastman School of Music where he was teaching assistant to both Paul Katz and Laurence Lesser. Other teachers include Richard Kapuscinski, Alan Harris, Alta Mayer, and for chamber music, members of the Budapest, Juilliard, Tokyo, Guarneri and Cleveland Quartets.

The Fischoff National Advisory Council

The Fischoff National Advisory Council advises The Fischoff Board of Directors on matters of a national scope. Each member brings a unique perspective on the joys and complexities of a career in the performing arts.



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The Fischoff Team

THE FISCHOFF STAFF



Dr. Scott Campbell is currently the Executive Director of the Fischoff National Chamber Music Association. Prior to joining Fischoff, he worked as the Director of Woodwinds at Conn-Selmer, taught music and performed across the globe, and earned his Doctor

of Musical Arts degree in Saxophone Performance from the University of North Texas. Dr. Campbell has a passion for music education, enriching lives through music, spending time with his family, and being in nature.



Kara Kane, Education Director, joined the Fischoff team in 2019, after several years as a Competition volunteer. She earned her BA double majoring in Music and Sociology at Rice University and started her career as an IT consultant at Ernst & Young, Continental

Airlines and Northwestern University where she also earned a certificate in Executive Management from the Kellogg School of Management. She returned to Rice's Shepherd School for a MM in voice and performed art songs and opera roles at festivals in Aspen, Salzburg, Rome and at Songfest. As a member of Aldeburgh Music's Britten-Pears Young Artist Programme, she found her niche as a teaching artist. Kara was the Director of Education for Chicago Opera Theater and served as a teaching artist with Classical Kids Music Education's *Music Inspires!* outreach program in the Chicago Public Schools. Kara resides in South Bend with her husband and three kids.



Megan Simmons, Academy and Operations Manager, is a versatile and passionate violinist with years of performing and teaching experience across the United States. She graduated summa cum laude from the University of Oregon with a Master's of

Music in Violin Performance specializing in Violin/Viola Pedagogy, and magna cum laude from Ball State University with a Bachelor of Music in Violin Performance. She was the first violinist to receive the Hilary Hahn Scholarship at BSU. She regularly plays with the South Bend Symphony Orchestra and is a member of the Elkhart County Symphony Orchestra. She is thrilled to spread her love for chamber music with the next generation of players, educators, and music advocates within her hometown! She enjoys spending time with family, going to the beach, and antiquing.



Miki Strabley, Competition Director, joined Fischoff in August 2000. Miki holds degrees in English Literature and Political Science from Saint Mary's College, and Master's Degrees from Indiana University South Bend (Education) and the University of Notre Dame

(Nonprofit Administration). She plays the trumpet in Notre Dame's University and Summer Bands. In her spare time, she is a volunteer horse feeder and lesson volunteer at Reins of Life Therapeutic Horseback Riding. Originally hailing from Ohio, Miki lives in South Bend with her husband Chris, daughter Molly Clare, a freshman at Saint Mary's College, and dogs, Copper & Reggie.



Geena Kam, Chamber Music Summer Intensive Director, joined the Fischoff team in 2020, but has been a competition volunteer since 2012. Geena received a D.M.A. degree in Piano Performance and Pedagogy from the University of Iowa and is currently a piano faculty member

at Saint Mary's College, Notre Dame, IN. Geena is also a dedicated studio piano teacher with students of all ages, many of whom have won regional and international competitions. She lives in Granger with her husband, two children, and one clumsy Goldendoodle.



Carrie Lehman joined the Fischoff staff as Media Director in 2012; however, she has been a part of the Competition Staff for 29 years, currently as the weekend's Junior Division Quarterfinals Manager. Carrie works as a Transaction Manager at RESIDCO in Chicago.

A native of Mishawaka, IN, she often travels back to Indiana to spoil her adorable nieces and nephews. Carrie received her undergraduate degree in Business Administration from Spring Arbor University.



Emma Tener joined the Fischoff team in 2021 as a Program Manager, but her first interaction with Fischoff came in 2019 when she interned at the competition. Emma received her BA in Music and BBA in Marketing from Saint Mary's College. She grew up in the South Bend area

and is excited to support her community through her work at Fischoff! She currently lives in Elkhart with her husband. In her free time, she enjoys knitting, creative writing, and spending time with her family. Every May, our incredible Fischoff Competition staff members step away from their normal lives to gather in the DPAC for four intense days of Competition managing. We could not survive the weekend without them!

THE COMPETITION STAFF



Tessa Bysong joined the Fischoff team as a student employee, while earning her bachelor's degree in Business and Political Science from the University of Notre Dame. She received her Master of Business Administration degree from INSEAD, studying in Paris and Singapore.

Tessa now lives in Chicago with her husband and sons and works for the management consulting firm Bain & Co.



Annie Geary is in her tenth year as a Competition Assistant. She holds a bachelor's degree in Psychology from the University of Notre Dame. She works as an Advisor in the President's Office at Notre Dame and just celebrated her 27th anniversary at the University. Annie plays the

trumpet in Notre Dame's University and Summer Bands. She lives in South Bend with her husband Kevin. Their daughter Charlie and son-in-law Chris Brach also reside in South Bend, and along with Kevin, are often Fischoff volunteers for special projects. Her favorite new hobby is spending time with her granddaughter.



Pam O'Rourke served as Fischoff's Education Director for 15 years before retiring in 2019. Now in a "super volunteer" role with Fischoff, Pam enjoys time with her family and two grandsons in Southern California. While her background is in community relations,

preschool education, and theater, she enjoys gardening and sharing her children's book collection with the neighbor kids in Granger. A native Montanan, Pam attended Eastern Montana College before traveling the world with her husband Jim.



Amanda Slagle is a 2001 graduate of Valparaiso University with a degree in Music Business. Amanda has been with Fischoff since being recruited by Ann Divine as an intern in 2001. Little did she know that she would still be involved in 2024! After many years of working

in violin shops, including Shar Music and Terra Nova Violins, Amanda now puts her music degree to use in the exciting field of tax law. She remains an active freelance violinist and violist and is a member of the South Texas Symphonic Orchestra and the Alamo City Symphony Viva. Although an avid Green Bay Packers fan who still considers Wisconsin home, Amanda currently lives in San Antonio, TX with her daughter Aurelia and her very spoiled dogs, Tater and Chicalinda.



THE FISCHOFF NATIONAL CHAMBER MUSIC ASSOCIATION

THE FISCHOFF'S MISSION

Inspiring lives through breathtaking performances



HISTORY OF THE FISCHOFF

In 1973, Joseph E. Fischoff and fellow members of the South Bend Chamber Music Society sought an innovative way of encouraging young people to pursue chamber music study and performance. The idea of a competition arose, and that first year, six ensembles participated.

Little did the society members know how their idea would grow. Fifty-one years later, still at home in South Bend, Indiana, the Fischoff Competition is the largest chamber music competition in the world. Each year, an average of 135 ensembles representing 28 nationalities enter either the strings or winds categories of three to six performers. Since its founding, more than 7,800 musicians have participated, many of whom have gone on to distinguished careers in music performance and education.

Committed to music education, the Fischoff uniquely partners with competition alumni to bring free, innovative music programs directly to children in their own schools and community centers. Known as the Fischoff Arts-in-Education Residency, these programs have served nearly 100,000 community children since 1995 and reach more than 4,000 underserved and at-risk young people every year. Additionally, the Fischoff offers several programs to support and encourage area high school-aged musicians.



JOSEPH E. FISCHOFF 1907–1992

Born in Hungary in 1907, his family settled in South Bend where he graduated from South Bend High School in 1925. As a young man, he simultaneously attended Philadelphia's Wharton School of Business and the Curtis Institute of Music. In 1929, he graduated from Wharton with a degree in Economics while continuing his music studies: viola with Louis Bailly and chamber music at Curtis. When the first orchestra was started at Curtis, he played in the viola section after being personally invited to audition by conductor Leopold Stokowski.

While he did not professionally pursue music, Joseph played chamber music in his home every week for as long as he continued to play. Despite being in the furniture business by trade, Joe was a musician at heart and loved to encourage young people to continue the art of chamber music through the Fischoff Competition.

As the competition grew, so did the temptation to become like all other competitions. He quietly insisted that this competition had to be different. It was to be founded in education and mentoring. His goal became the core of the Fischoff — to provide a positive and constructive experience for all musicians. Because of him, the Fischoff not only seeks out excellence, but also seeks the education of as many people as possible to be chamber musicians, to listen to chamber music, and most of all, to love chamber music.





An Indiana success story with global impact



This year's GRAMMY award for Best Classical Compendium included Fischoff alumni artists: IMANI WINDS, JEFF SCOTT (composer, founding member of Imani Winds), and Harlem Quartet's FELIX UMANSKY (cello, formerly of Linden Quartet).

HISTORY OF THE COMPETITION

South Bend is proud to be the home of one of the nation's premier musical events, the Fischoff National Chamber Music Competition. Founded in 1973 by Joseph E. Fischoff and members of the South Bend Chamber Music Society, this prestigious event was established to encourage emerging instrumental chamber musicians and provide a national forum for their talents. In that first year, six ensembles participated.

Today, fifty-one years later, the original mission remains unchanged and has broadened to include Senior String and Wind Divisions for musicians who are on the cusp of a chamber music career, as well as Junior String and Wind Divisions for talented musicians aged 18 and under. It is the largest and longest-running chamber music competition in the world. The scope of Fischoff has also grown by utilizing the talents of these amazing young musicians through community outreach programs and by designing Arts-in-Education Residencies that bring Fischoff alumni back into the community. It is a reciprocal relationship igniting a love for music amongst our area youth by exposing them to some of the best musicians in the country and also providing an opportunity for these world-class musicians to evolve from music makers into chamber music Ambassadors.

FISCHOFF'S COMMITMENT TO **EQUITY, DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION**

Fischoff commits to working to end the legacy of systematic racism currently embedded in the chamber music world.

While the chamber music canon has been rooted in the Western European tradition, we acknowledge that many voices of the past and present have been underrepresented. Fischoff vows to make every person feel welcomed into the chamber music community. We embrace our leadership role in ensuring ever more diverse competitors, jurors, audiences, and staff members. Through our unique platform, the Fischoff National Chamber Music Competition is helping expand and transform the canon through education and by encouraging performances by composers of color and of different cultural heritages, traditions, and legacies.

Thank you to Fischoff's EDI Committee: Alfred Guillaume - Chair, Lisa Casey, Marvin Curtis, John De Souza, Harriet Hamer, Jason Hertel, Nels Leininger, Michael Pippenger, Teresa Roberts and Scott Campbell.

ALUMNI

Thousands of outstanding musicians claim the Fischoff as a defining musical experience in their lives. To these alumni, we offer the opportunity to stay



connected with Fischoff, and to benefit from ongoing relationships with lifetime friends and chamber musicians, venue hosts, presenters, and educators.

If you are a past participant in the Fischoff Competition, we invite you to stay connected with us on social media.

HOW THE JURY SELECTS THE WINNER

How does a juror make his or her selection of the "best" ensemble from all the competitors? It can be a Herculean task. The distinguished jurors of the Fischoff Competition do have some formulas on which they can rely, however, their decisions are guided primarily by their own musical integrity and experience as performers and instructors. They listen for interpretation - tempo and dynamics; ensemble performance balance within the ensemble, blend, and unity of the members; technical accuracy - rhythm and intonation; and overall performance - poise and artistic expression.

Jurors individually rank the ensembles in each division. These rankings are combined, then averaged for each ensemble to arrive at a group's composite ranking. Rankings are a good method for determining the prize winners, but the real value for these young musicians comes from the jurors' comments, typically shared in-person on Saturday evening and in writing once the Competition concludes. The juror evaluations are distributed to all performing ensembles at the completion of the Competition. From these written comments, the musicians gain valuable and constructive feedback from esteemed jurors, which is intended to stimulate their growth as artists and ensembles.

Identifying conflict of interest issues is very important to the integrity of the competition during both the live competition and the virtual. Conflicts of interest between jurors and ensembles, or any individuals within an ensemble, are carefully identified and handled appropriately by the Artistic Director.

2024 The Fischoff Fast Facts

230

INDIVIDUAL COMPETITORS

35

COUNTRIES AND TERRITORIES REPRESENTED IN COMPETITION ENTRIES

116,157

YOUTUBE VIEWS IN LAST 365 DAYS

11,512

SOCIAL MEDIA FOLLOWERS

11

AGE OF THE YOUNGEST COMPETITOR

37

STATES REPRESENTED IN COMPETITION ENTRIES

81,472

WEBSITE VIEWS IN LAST 365 DAYS

6,043

NUMBER OF CHILDREN AND STUDENTS REACHED DURING 2023 OUTREACH PROGRAMS

57,900 2023 Competition online video views from 31 countries and territories 170,012 2023 Competition video views on media partner Violin Channel Instagram & Facebook 17,100 2023 Competition YouTube video views from 20 countries and territories





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Trío de Ángeles

Trio Azura

The Willow Quartet

We wish you the best of luck!

College Programs

All Conservatory students receive complete scholarship packages covering tuition, room, and board.

Pre-College Study

The Music Academy brings exceptional students ages 12–18 to Colburn to prepare for study at the Colburn Conservatory and other top music programs worldwide.



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Above: The Colburn School campus expansion, opening in 2027 Frank Gehry, architect; Yasuhisa Toyota, acoustician



Fischoff Double Gold Tour 2023

Fischoff was pleased to send both 2023 Gold Medal Winners from the Senior Division on tour this past fall and winter. The Double Gold Tour showcased Kodachrome and the Poiesis Quartet as they presented concerts and education outreach programs to more than 5,000 children and adults throughout the Midwest. These amazing ensembles were fantastic ambassadors for Fischoff. We are tremendously proud of these young musicians and the effect their programs had on audiences throughout the Midwest. Thank you to our exceptional arts presenters and school partners.

The Fischoff 2023 Senior Wind Division Gold Medal Winner

KODACHROME, September 14-22, 2023

Kodachrome transfixed audiences as they performed five concerts and sixteen band workshops as part of their Double Gold Tour.

Participating organizations and schools:

Con Spirito Chamber Music Concert Series, Thiel College, Greenville, PA

Eidson-Duckwall Recital Hall, Butler University School of Music, workshop & concert, Indianapolis, IN

Howard Center Presents Series, Andrews University, Berrien Springs, MI

Watson soirée, Granger, IN

The Dame Myra Hess Memorial Concerts, Chicago, IL Broadcast & streamed live on Chicago WFMT 98.7FM

Adams High School, band workshop, South Bend, IN

John Young Middle School, band workshops, Mishawaka, IN

LaSalle Academy, band workshop, South Bend, IN

Penn High School, band workshops, Granger, IN

Upton Middle School, band workshops, St. Joseph, MI

South Bend Youth Symphony Orchestra workshop, South Bend, IN

St. Joseph High School, band workshops, St. Joseph, MI



KODACHROME (L–R): Calvin Wong (soprano saxophone), Siobhan Plouffe (tenor saxophone), Jade Deatherage (alto saxophone), Bonson Lee (baritone saxophone)

THE DOUBLE GOLD TOUR IS POSSIBLE WITH SUPPORT FROM THE FOLLOWING:

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Poiesis Quartet (L-R): Max Ball (violin), Jasper de Boor (viola), Drew Dansby (cello), Sarah Ma (violin)

The Fischoff 2023 Senior String Division Gold Medal & Grand Prize Winner

POIESIS QUARTET

October 21-October 28, 2023 and January 15-20, 2024

The Poiesis Quartet swept audiences off their feet with their fresh, energetic and captivating performances including five concerts, one soirée, three masterclasses, and eleven music workshops across the Midwest. As part of Fischoff's newest collaboration with Chamber Music of America, Poiesis also performed two showcase concerts during CMA's annual conference in New York City as part of the Grand Prize Tour.

Participating organizations and schools:

The Dame Myra Hess Memorial Concerts, Chicago, IL Broadcast & streamed live on Chicago WFMT 98.7FM

Civic Music Association of Des Moines, Sheslow Auditorium, Drake University, Des Moines, IA

Chamber Music America Annual Conference Showcase Performance, New York, NY

Clay International Academy, orchestra and workshop, South Bend, IN

DeBartolo Performing Arts Center Presenting Series, University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, IN

Decker Jones soirée, South Bend, IN

Drake University, string quartet masterclass, Des Moines, IA

Elkhart High School Orchestra, orchestra workshop, Elkhart, IN

Goodrell Middle School, Harding Middle Schools & Merrill Middle School, band workshops, Des Moines, IA

Goshen Junior High School Orchestra, orchestra workshop, Goshen, IN

LaSalle Intermediate Academy, orchestra workshops, South Bend, IN

Penn High School, orchestra workshop and masterclass, Granger, IN

THE 2024 DOUBLE GOLD TOUR

Fischoff is pleased to offer tours to Gold Medalists in the Senior Wind and Senior String Divisions.

Venues for the 2024 Gold Medalists will include:

Senior Wind Division Tour: September 19–29, 2024

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The Dame Myra Hess Memorial Concert Series, Chicago

Indiana

University of Notre Dame, DeBartolo Performing Arts Center Presenting Artists Series, Notre Dame

Various educational outreach programs, South Bend & Elkhart

Iowa

Civic Music Association of Des Moines, Concert and outreach programs, Des Moines

Michigan

Andrews University, Howard Performing Arts Series, Berrien Springs

Various educational outreach programs, St. Joseph

Pennsylvania

Thiel College, Con Spirito Chamber Music Concert Series, Greenville

Senior String Division Tour: October 26 - November 4, 2024

Illinoi

The Dame Myra Hess Memorial Concert Series, Chicago Guarneri Hall Recording Session, Chicago

Indiana

University of Notre Dame, DeBartolo Performing Arts Center Presenting Artists Series, Notre Dame

Various educational outreach programs, South Bend, Elkhart & Goshen

Michigan

Interlochen Center for the Arts, Concert and outreach programs, Interlochen Various educational outreach programs, St. Joseph

"Students were extremely impressed with the Fischoff quartet. Many of our students were [amazed] by the level at which the quartet played and were inspired to sound like that someday. We happened to be working with chamber ensembles at the time of the quartet's performance and I think it showed a lot of them some of the real-world value of chamber music: working closely together with a few other people and having to work as a team to create something moving and beautiful...They thought working through the character of the piece with quartet members was very cool!" — Orchestra teacher, Goshen Junior High School





Ann Divine Educator Award & Arts-In-Education Residency

The Ann Divine Educator Award recognizes the educational outreach work of Fischoff Competition alumni who have demonstrated outstanding and imaginative programming for children while successfully building a performance career in chamber music. We are delighted to recognize the Kenari Quartet as the seventh winner of the Fischoff Educator Award, renamed in 2018 in honor of long-time Executive Director, Ann Divine, upon her retirement.

Kenari captivated audiences at the following venues:

Boys & Girls Club of Goshen, Goshen, IN Boys & Girls Club St. Joseph County, O.C. Carmichael Jr. Youth Center, South Bend, IN Boys & Girls Club St. Joseph County, Wilson Elementary, South Bend, IN Charles Black Center, South Bend, IN Coquillard Elementary, South Bend, IN Darden Elementary, South Bend, IN Lincoln Elementary, South Bend, IN Madison STEAM Elementary, South Bend, IN Mary Daly Elementary, Elkhart, IN Monroe Elementary, South Bend, IN Muessel Elementary, South Bend, IN Riley High School, South Bend, IN Roosevelt STEAM Academy, Elkhart, IN St. Joseph County Public Library, South Bend, IN St. Mary's College, South Bend, IN

SPECIAL THANKS TO OUR LEAD SPONSORS:

Warren Elementary, South Bend, IN

West Goshen Elementary, Goshen, IN

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RESIDENCY RECAP

Acclaimed alumni saxophonists, the Kenari Quartet, presented an imaginative and exciting collection of programs November 27 -December 2, 2023, conducting workshops, masterclasses, and lively concerts in schools and community centers for 1,494 students. Highlights included a community concert at the Boys & Girls Club of Goshen with Kenari,

joined by members of ECoSistema, Elkhart County's El Sistema Orchestras; a rousing all-school rendition of Saint-Saëns Danse Bacchanale set to the body percussion of Roosevelt STEAM Academy 3rd-6th graders; side-by-side improvisation workshops generated by student drawings with the Riley High School band and Fischoff Academy students; and Fischoff's signature Stories & Music: S.A.M. I Am program.

This year, Fischoff's S.A.M. I Am featured the heartfelt, inspiring story of perseverance, My Very Favorite Book in the Whole Wide World (Mi libro favorito en el mundo entero) by author and Superbowl champion, Malcolm Mitchell. Second grade students in South Bend, Elkhart and Goshen school districts participated in this transformational re-enactment intended to light a spark for reading in these young learners. The program included companion curricular activities for teachers and a gifted copy of the book for every student to add to their personal library and to share with their families. My Very Favorite Book in the Whole Wide World was a featured community concert performed at the St. Joseph County Public Library paired with fun, hands-on activities for all ages.

Kenari Quartet, comprised of Bob Eason (soprano saxophone), Kyle Baldwin (alto saxophone), Corey Dundee (tenor saxophone), and Steven Banks (baritone saxophone), is applauded for their "flatout amazing" performances and "stunning virtuosity" (Cleveland Classical). Recent engagements include appearances at Chamber Music Northwest, the Grand Teton Music Festival, and Chamber Music Tulsa. Since their inception in 2012 at Indiana University, Kenari has been committed to giving back to their communities performing engagement concerts for audiences of all ages. Their educational work for children includes workshops and masterclasses at universities, K-12 schools, youth centers and libraries. Recent residencies have reached hundreds of students at String Theory, San Antonio Chamber Music Society, Chamber Music Tulsa, "Out of the Bachs" at Baldwin Wallace Conservatory, and as Protégé Project Artists at Chamber Music Northwest.

"My students were captivated by the musical performance, especially because it provided them with a unique opportunity to engage closely with instruments. Due to our demographics, many of them don't regularly get the chance to interact with musical instruments in their daily lives. Witnessing the live performance allowed them to experience the magic of music firsthand, sparking curiosity and excitement they don't often encounter." — 2nd Grade Teacher, Monroe Elementary



2024 FISCHOFF ANN DIVINE EDUCATOR AWARD WINNER

CONGRATULATIONS!

LINEAGE **PERCUSSION**



The Fischoff National Chamber Music Association is delighted to announce Lineage Percussion as the winner of Fischoff's 2024 Ann Divine Educator Award.

This national award recognizes the educational outreach work of Fischoff Competition alumni who have demonstrated outstanding and imaginative programming for children and youth in the United States. Returning this November, Lineage will present educational outreach and Fischoff's flagship Stories & Music: S.A.M. I Am program.

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Fischoff Chamber Music Academy

Fischoff Chamber Music Academy provides opportunities for regional junior high and high school chamber ensembles to receive 100% tuition-free professional coaching sessions. Selected ensembles are also invited to participate in outreach concerts, masterclasses, and an annual public performance.

2023-2024 ENSEMBLES

Ascending Trio

Trinity School at Greenlawn, South Bend, IN; St. Joseph Grade School, South Bend, IN; St. Pius X Catholic School, Granger, IN Karen Allen, violin; Declan LaReau Schmiedeler, guitar; Aidan Ganser, piano Coach: Emilie Grondin

Cecilia Quintet

Penn High School, Mishawaka, IN; Discovery Middle School, Granger, IN; Saint Joseph High School, South Bend, IN; Kolbe Academy, Napa, CA Reah Frydrych, violin; Sejune Kang, violin; David Polaniecki, viola; lan Parrott, cello; Ignatius Caro, piano Coach: Patrick Yim

Con Fuoco Quartet

Homeschool at Michiana Covenant Academy, Granger, IN; Trinity School at Greenlawn, South Bend, IN Kent Kain, violin; Harrison Kain, violin; Faith Kain, violin; James Philpott, piano Coach: Jae Sung Lee

Discrepancy Quintet

Penn High School, Mishawaka, IN
Bella Grove, violin; Sam Rossow, violin; Jonathan Iwaniec, viola;
Kyra Hillsdon-Smith, cello; Lillian Gregory, cello
Coach: Megan Simmons

Elkhart HS Blue String Quartet

Elkhart High School, Elkhart, IN
Paige Collins, violin; Salah Ali, violin; Lillian Howard, viola;
Silas Hunt, cello
Coach: Lara Turner

Elkhart HS Gold String Quartet

Elkhart High School, Elkhart, IN Erick Becerra Valdez, violin; Kalani Harada, violin; Fatimah Chong, viola; Emanuel Galvan Flores, cello Coach: Lara Turner

Goshen Trio

Goshen High School, Goshen, IN Audriana Grace Stanley, violin; Theresa Nicole Fussner, viola; Anton Alstrom, piano Coach: Luke Norell

Music For

Penn High School, Mishawaka, IN Felix Zhang, violin; Suzana Josenhans, violin; James Pennix, viola; Jayden Wang, cello; Cameron Poznanski, bass Coach: Luis Enrique Vargas

Pentatonic Palette

Discovery Middle School, Granger, IN; Schmucker Middle School, Mishawaka, IN; St. Thomas More Academy, South Bend, IN; Stanley Clark School, South Bend, IN; LaSalle Academy, South Bend, IN
Nathan Chung, violin; Joanna Jong, violin; Simeon Wilson, violin; Thaelia Schommer-Pries, cello; Preston Grimmer, piano Coach: Emilie Grondin

SBYSO Trumpet Quartet

Edgewood Middle School, Warsaw, IN; La Lumiere School, La Porte, IN; LaVille Jr.-Sr. High School, Lakeville, IN
Cole Parrott, trumpet; Poyraz Kilic, trumpet;
Coraline Forero, trumpet; Sean Kubsch, trumpet;
Hayden Grindle, trumpet
Coach: Craig Heitger

Sonorous Sisterhood

Saint Joseph High School, South Bend, IN; Saint Joseph Grade School, South Bend, IN; Adams High School, South Bend, IN Catherine Lutz, violin; Isabella Lutz, violin; Alexa Morel, viola; Rosa Morel, cello Coach: Jameson Cooper

St. Joseph High School String Quartet

St. Joseph High School, St. Joseph, MI Grace Yuan, violin; Chloe Nicholson, violin; Lorenzo Pimental, viola; Braden Miesse, cello Coach: Steve Reed

Pianissimo Quartet

Trinity School at Greenlawn, South Bend, IN; Penn High School, Mishawaka, IN Tegan Sagarsee, violin; Pita Villanueva, violin; Rebeca Ramirez, viola; Elizabeth Muller, cello Coach: Jae Sung Lee



Congratulations to the 2024 Geoffroy Prize Winner, Music For.

The Geoffroy Prize is awarded to the highest-ranking junior ensemble entering The Fischoff Competition within a 60-mile radius of South Bend.

Sunshine Quartet

Clay High School, South Bend, IN; Adams High School, South Bend, IN; Clay International Academy, South Bend, IN; Adams High School, South Bend, IN Charlie Denman, violin; Emma Barkley, flute; Ellie Schulte, clarinet; Julia Kopacz, piano

Coach: Aleksandra Kemble

The Stormchasers

Saint Joseph High School, South Bend, IN; Stanley Clark School, South Bend, IN; Penn High School, Mishawaka, IN Dario Albahari, violin; Anthea Economakis, violin; Joshua Jong, viola; Sophie Krahn, cello Coach: Cynthia Katsarelis

Three Musicteers

Discovery Middle School, Granger, IN Abigail Kang, violin; Annabelle Huebner, flute; Xiaohe Wang, piano Coach: Geena Kam

Trout Quartet

Schmucker Middle School, Mishawaka, IN; LaSalle Academy, South Bend, IN; Trinity School at Greenlawn, South Bend, IN; St. Pius X Catholic School, Granger, IN Sam Connor, violin; Lucille Strait, violin; Raelyn Judge, violin; Charles Raybin, piano Coach: Denise Kuehner

Variance Quintet

Penn High School, Mishawaka, IN Hannah Kang, violin; Mahima Vinay, violin; Zach Jabian, viola; Fiona Kennedy, viola; Michael Jana, cello Coach: Patrick Yim

Special thanks to Dan & Pam Chipman for their transformational gift benefiting the Fischoff Academy.

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Activities are made possible in part by the Indiana Arts Commission, a state agency, and the National Endowment for the Arts, a federal agency.

This program has been made possible, in part, with support from ACMP Associated Chamber Music Players.







Barbara Warner's

Peer Ambassadors for Chamber Music

The Peer Ambassadors for Chamber Music program takes place on Friday of the Competition weekend and involves our youngest competitors — ensembles from the Junior Division. These ensembles will be invited into area classrooms to lead informal performance-workshops for third and fourth graders to present a friendly and "real" introduction to chamber music. Since Fischoff Juniors are also in school, they make perfect role models for elementary school children who look up to, and identify with, older students. The performance level of Fischoff junior ensembles creates an excitement that is a powerful mentoring tool in persuading young children to consider joining their own school or community band and orchestra programs.

We wish to acknowledge and thank the following ensembles participating in Peer Ambassadors:

Aurora Winds, Austin, TX
Breshears String Quartet, San Francisco, CA
Encore Flute Quartet, Crystal Lake, IL
Five Guys Wind Quintet, Washington, D.C.
Halcyon Saxophone Trio, Houston, TX
Lowell Quartet, Gilbert, AZ
Passera Piano Quartet, Chapel Hill, NC
Purple Hippopotami, Chicago, IL
Quid Nunc Saxophone Quartet, San Antonio, TX
Trio Fiammifero, Highwood, IL
Trioscuro, Evanston, IL
Voyageur Trio, Worthington, OH

Schools receiving Peer Ambassadors programs:

Ballard Elementary, Niles, MI
Clay International Academy, South Bend, IN
Coquillard Elementary, South Bend, IN
Emmons Elementary, Mishawaka, IN
Lasalle Elementary, Mishawaka, IN
Marquette Montessori, South Bend, IN
McKinley Elementary, South Bend, IN
Monger Elementary, Elkhart, IN
Swanson Elementary, South Bend, IN
Waterford Elementary, Goshen, IN
Warren Elementary, South Bend, IN

Special thanks to **Diane & Nick Entrikin** for the generous support of Peer Ambassadors for Chamber Music.

Soirées

More than fifty years have passed since Joseph Fischoff and his musician friends began inviting neighbors to their homes to enjoy chamber music. Since then, soirées have become a popular springtime tradition in Michiana. Guests experience chamber music as it was intended to be heard—in intimate spaces. We are grateful for the tremendous generosity of our soirée hosts, which enables Fischoff to present some of the talented ensembles that gather in South Bend for the Competition.

2024 Soirée Hosts & Venues

Karissa & Matt Misner, South Bend, IN Maggie McShane & John De Souza, South Bend, IN Mitzi & David Sabato, South Bend, IN Raclin Murphy Museum of Art, Notre Dame, IN Ruthmere Mansion, Elkhart, IN Tina & Michael Patton, Granger, IN Trinity School at Greenlawn, South Bend, IN

2024 Ensembles

Blitz, Bloomington, IN
Cadeaux Quartet, Houston, TX
Hesper Quartet, New York, United States
Rosetta String Quartet, Austin, TX
Trio Eris, Boston, MA
Trio Menil, Houston, TX
Trio Riso, Houston, TX





Chamber Music Summer Intensive

The Fischoff National Chamber Music Association hosted the inaugural Chamber Music Summer Intensive from June 12th to 16th, 2023 at Saint Mary's College, Notre Dame, IN. This transformative week-long event was filled with music, camaraderie, and growth, showcasing the talents of young local musicians.

Students and faculty came together throughout the week for a series of concerts featuring works by a variety of composers such as Haydn, Dvořák, DBR (Daniel Bernard Roumain), Jeffrey Ryan, Tartini, Shostakovich, Florence Price, and more! Students also had a chance to share their music through community engagement concerts with more than 300 summer campers in the Boys & Girls Clubs of St. Joseph County. The Intensive concluded on a high note with a final concert featuring eight ensembles that left the audience awestruck.

The success of this week-long intensive was made possible through the dedication of our resident string quartet, Fischoff alumni, Thalea String Quartet (Chris Whitely, Kumiko Sakamoto, Lauren Spaulding and Brady Anderson), guest faculty artist Geoffrey Duce, and coaches Emilie Grondin, Geena Kam, and Lara Turner.

The success of this week-long intensive was made possible through the dedication of the coaches, including the Thalea String Quartet (Chris Whitely, Kumiko Sakamoto, Lauren Spaulding, and Brady Anderson), Geoffrey Duce, Emilie Grondin, Geena Kam, and Lara Turner.

We wish to acknowledge the following ensembles participating in Chamber Music Summer Intensive: Purple Quartet, Appaloosa Trio, Trilogy Trio, Quintessential Quintet, Running Strings, Boaz Quintet, Evergreen String Quartet, Wisdom Quartet.

We express our gratitude to the Community Foundation of St. Joseph County, Indiana, South Bend Youth Symphony Orchestras and Saint Mary's College, Notre Dame, IN whose support made this program possible.

The 2024 Chamber Music Summer Intensive

June 10 — June 14, Saint Mary's College, Notre Dame, IN We are thrilled to have quartet-in-residence Thalea String Quartet and guest faculty artist Kevin Kwan Loucks.

Fischoff at 50

World Premiere of Anna Clyne's Concerto for String Quartet

As part of the final celebration of Fischoff's 50th anniversary, the Fischoff National Chamber Music Association and South Bend Symphony joined forces to commission an incredible new piece for string quartet and chamber orchestra. Anna Clyne, one of the most in-demand living classical composers, crafted a piece capturing the intimacy of the string quartet and the grandeur of the symphony.

Clyne uses her signature style of garnering inspiration from other art forms, in this case, T.S. Eliot's reflection on time in "Burnt Norton" from Four Quartets. This concert celebrated the gift time has brought with decades of incredible music making in South Bend, as this year marked Fischoff's 50th and South Bend Symphony Orchestra's 90th anniversaries since each were founded. The featured string quartet included Fischoff alumni, the acclaimed Euclid Quartet, who were also celebrating their 25th anniversary.

The world premiere occurred on October 22, 2023 at the home of the Fischoff Competition at the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center, University of Notre Dame. Premiere festivities included a sneak peek of the music and conversation about the creative process at the St. Joe County Public Library with Maestro Alastair Willis, the Euclid Quartet, and Fischoff's Education Director Kara Kane; a meet the composer session with Anna Clyne and Fischoff Academy, SBYSO and area music students; and a post-concert conversation with the premiering artists and Anna Clyne, herself, who was present for the final rehearsals and premiere.

This piece was made possible through the generous gift of Jeny and John Sejdinaj. Fischoff is honored to leave the legacy of this piece for generations to come. Since the world premiere in South Bend, this piece received its east coast and west coast premieres with fellow co-commissioners Harrisburg Symphony, featuring the Dali Quartet (which includes Fischoff alumnus Ari Isaacman-Beck), and west coast premiere with the Portland Symphony Orchestra. Its European debut occurred in January 2024 with the Meta4 Quartet and Jyväskylä Sinfonia in Finland.

Screening Committees

The Fischoff Competition is grateful for the thoughtful, knowledgeable work of the screening committees. Each member is selected for their professional background in the classical music field. Their job is not an easy one. They have the daunting task of selecting the ensembles that will participate in the live audition rounds at the Competition, and they do this with the utmost integrity and enthusiasm. We thank you!



SENIOR WIND DIVISION SCREENING COMMITTEE

Barbara Drapcho, clarinet, is a member of Quintet Attacca – the 2002 Fischoff Competition Grand Prize Winner and resident ensemble at the Music Institute of Chicago. She has performed with the Chicago Symphony Orchestra, Chicago Chamber Musicians, and Present Music Milwaukee. She is principal clarinet of New Philharmonic and a member of Chicago Philharmonic. She is on the faculty at Music Institute of Chicago, North Park University, Carthage College, and Loyola University Chicago.

Jeremiah Frederick, is Assistant Professor of Horn at the Scheidt School of Music at the University of Memphis. He is a member of the South Bend Symphony, Chicago Philharmonic, IRIS Collective and plays regularly with the Memphis Symphony Orchestra. An avid chamber musician, he is a founding member of Quintet Attacca, winner of the 2002 Fischoff Competition. Quintet Attacca is currently in residence at The Music Institute of Chicago. Mr. Frederick is a frequent pit musician in Chicago performing many Broadway in Chicago and Drury Lane Theatre productions.

Bryan Polacek, saxophone, has performed with the Chicago Symphony Orchestra and was a Fischoff Gold Medalist in 2000. His chamber ensembles have been featured on the nationally syndicated program "From the Top," WFMT's "Introductions," and have won prizes at the Fischoff Competition, M-Prize Competition, and Discover National Chamber Competition.

Scott Tegge, tuba, is co-founder of Gaudete Brass Quintet, a group dedicated to commissioning original brass music. Their latest album, sevenfive – The John Corigliano Effect, was commissioned in honor of his 75th birthday celebration. Scott teaches at the University of Illinois, DePaul University, and is a frequent guest lecturer on career development, entrepreneurship, and building successful teaching studios.



SENIOR STRING DIVISION SCREENING COMMITTEE

Luis Vargas is the violist with the Euclid Quartet and faculty at Indiana University South Bend. A former member of "El Sistema," he has adjudicated for competitions such as The Fischoff National Chamber Music Competition, the MTNA Competition, and the Kauder International Viola Competition. He is currently a voting member of NARAS, the Grammy® Awards organization.

Ketevan Badridze is on the piano faculty at Indiana University South Bend. She has been a major prizewinner at numerous international competitions and she has appeared at numerous music venues in Europe and the United States. Ms. Badridze holds graduate and postgraduate degrees from Tbilisi State Conservatory, the Republic of Georgia, and Indiana University South Bend.

Jameson Cooper is violinist in the Euclid Quartet, Quartet-in-Residence at Indiana University South Bend. He holds degrees from the Royal Northern College of Music, UK, and Kent State University.









JUNIOR WIND DIVISION **SCREENING COMMITTEE**

Acknowledged as the first woman trumpeter in a major symphony orchestra, Marie Speziale served as Associate Principal Trumpet of the Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra for thirty-two years. In addition to faculty positions at the University of Cincinnati College-Conservatory of Music and Indiana School of Music, she retired Professor Emerita of the Shepherd School of Music, Rice University, where she served as Brass Department Chair, conductor of Rice Brass Choir and Professor of Trumpet. She currently serves on the American Classical Music Board of Directors and International Women's Brass Conference Emeritus Board.

Kathryn Greenbank, Principal Oboist of The Saint Paul Chamber Orchestra since 1982, graduated from the Curtis Institute of Music under John de Lancie's tutelage. Trained by Louis Margaglioni, Richard Woodhams, and Richard Killmer, she's a frequent SPCO soloist, featuring on recordings like Ravel's Le Tombeau de Couperin, Stravinsky's Pulcinella, and Dvorak's Serenade in D Minor for Winds. Greenbank premiered Jennifer Higdon's Oboe Concerto with the SPCO. She's performed with renowned orchestras like the Philadelphia Orchestra and Boston Symphony, and at festivals such as Marlboro Music Festival and Aspen Music Festival. Greenbank, a former University of Minnesota faculty member, maintains a private teaching studio and conducts master classes for the New World Symphony.

Renowned saxophonist Jeffrey Heisler, Chair of the Music Department at Oakland University, is celebrated for his achievements as both an educator and performer. As soprano saxophonist of the esteemed Assembly Quartet, he has garnered accolades such as the Fischoff National Chamber Music Competition's 1st prize gold medal and Downbeat Magazine's Classical Soloist Award. He's made notable appearances at prestigious venues like the Portes Ouvertes aux Nouveaux Talents concert series in Paris. Heisler is recognized for premiering works by notable composers such as Luciano Berio, Karlheinz Stockhausen, and Jennifer Higdon. His recordings span various labels including AMP Recordings and Centaur. Holding a Doctor of Musical Arts degree from Bowling Green State University, he continues to inspire students, drawing from his vast experience under the guidance of pedagogues like John Sampen and Jean-Yves Fourmeau.



JUNIOR STRING DIVISION **SCREENING COMMITTEE**

Based in Corvallis, Oregon, Anthea Kreston is first violinist of Oregon's Delgani Quartet, "the state's finest chamber ensemble" (The Oregonian). She lived for years in Berlin, Germany, where she was the first American violinist to hold a position in a major European string quartet, Germany's Artemis Quartet, and she traveled the world, performing on some of the most legendary stages a person could dream of, from Carnegie Hall (New York) to Wigmore (London) – from the Concertgebouw (Amsterdam) to Seoul.

For over two decades, cellist Rhonda Rider was a member of the Naumburg Award-winning Lydian Quartet and Triple Helix Piano Trio. An advocate of contemporary music, Rider has premiered works by composers including John Harbison, Lee Hyla, Yu-Hui Chang and Raven Chacon. Her interest in bringing classical music to unusual places, has led her to artist residencies at Grand Canyon and Petrified Forest National Parks. Rider has served as a panelist for the National Endowment for the Arts, Chamber Music America and adjudicated at the Fischoff, Stulberg and Concert Artists Guild Competitions. She has performed with Radius Ensemble, Boston Chamber Music Society, St. Paul Chamber Orchestra, Shelter Music Boston, New Gallery Series and Castle of Our Skins. During the summer, she is found at Green Mountain, Harvard Music Festival, and Tanglewood. Rider is Professor of Cello and Chamber Music at Boston Conservatory at Berklee where she was twice awarded Outstanding Teacher of the Year Best of Berklee.

Pianist James Howsmon has performed in over 1,000 recitals across North America, Central America, Europe, and Japan, collaborating with leading musicians and major American orchestras. Notable venues include New York's Kennedy Center and performances with the Cleveland Orchestra under Pierre Boulez. Recent highlights include Mozart sonatas with violinist Marilyn McDonald and Schubert's Die schöne Müllerin with basso Robert Holl. Howsmon frequently performs at Oberlin College, where he is Professor of Instrumental Accompanying, overseeing collaborative activities for 90 piano majors. He is recording Brahms' late works and advocates for small-ensemble music's role in young musicians' development, giving master classes at institutions like Juilliard, Cleveland Institute of Music, and Interlochen Arts Academy.

Junior Wind Division Jurors



Lauded for her "sheer musical imagination" (Gramophone), Kari Landry is a Backun Artist and the clarinetist and founder of the Billboard charting, seven-time national prize winning Akropolis Reed Quintet. Celebrating their 15th year as "a sonically

daring ensemble who specializes in performing new works with charisma and integrity" (BBC Music Magazine), Akropolis delivers over 100 concerts and educational events worldwide annually, and has commissioned over 150 works for the reed quintet. A proud small business owner, Kari runs Akropolis' nonprofit alongside her husband and Akropolis saxophonist Matt, serving as the organization's Artistic Director and Marketing and Development Manager. Kari is a fierce advocate for independent and impactful music careers. Since 2016, Kari has taught at the University of Michigan School of Music Theater and Dance in the EXCEL entrepreneurship department, encouraging students to pursue their own artistic ventures and businesses. Kari was born into a musical Detroit family. Her mother was a bassoonist and her father was a Motown studio French Hornist who, among many recordings, can be heard ripping up the intro to the iconic "I Heard It Through the Grapevine" by the legendary Marvin Gaye. As a new mother, she aims to pass on her family's musical heritage to her 10 month old son Theo who has already toured with Akropolis from Atlanta to Amsterdam. She is an alumnus of The University of Michigan and Eastern Michigan University and has held administrative positions with the University Musical Society (UMS), Ann Arbor Summer Festival, and The Kennedy Center.



Nermis Mieses is on the faculty at Michigan State University and the Sewanee Summer Music Festival. Formerly, she taught at Bowling Green State University, performed as Principal Oboe of Michigan Opera Theatre, and served as Chair of the IDRS Gillet-Fox

International Competition for Oboe. She is the winner of various prizes and awards such as the University of Michigan Paul Boylan Alumni Award, Barbirolli International Oboe Competition, First International Oboe Competition of FEMUSC, among others. She has performed with Sphinx, Chineke! and Detroit Symphony orchestras and is an active recitalist throughout the American Continent and Europe. Her debut album features five solo oboe pieces by the French oboist-composer Gilles Silvestrini. She holds a BM from the Conservatory of Music of Puerto Rico, as well as MM and DMA degrees from the University of Michigan under Nancy Ambrose King.



Otis Murphy holds the position of Professor of Saxophone and Chair of Woodwinds in the Indiana University Jacobs School of Music, joining the faculty at the age of twenty-eight and becoming one of the youngest faculty members in its history. He is in great

demand as an international soloist and clinician, having performed in more than twenty countries worldwide across four continents: North America, Europe, Asia, and Australia. Dr. Murphy was a prizewinner in the Adolphe Sax International Saxophone Competition of Belgium and the Jean-Marie Londeix International Saxophone Competition in France and has performed in venues including Carnegie Hall's Isaac Stern Auditorium, Merkin Hall (New York City), Casals Hall (Tokyo); Palau de la Musica (Valencia); and Muziekgebouw aan het Ij (Amsterdam). Dr. Murphy has performed on more than fifteen recordings, including four solo albums receiving critical acclaim. He performed Ellen Taaffe Zwilich's Quintet for Alto Saxophone and String Quartet with Pacifica Quartet on their album, Contemporary Voices, winning the GRAMMY Award for Best Chamber Music/Small Ensemble Performance. Dr. Murphy has taught at music schools and festivals worldwide including the Paris Conservatory, Amsterdam Conservatory, Cologne Academy of Music, Hamamatsu International Wind Instrument Academy and Festival, London Royal College of Music and many more, and his students have received awards and have careers as performers, educators, and members of premier military concert bands. Dr. Murphy holds Doctor of Music and Master of Music degrees from the Indiana University Jacobs School of Music, receiving the Performer's Certificate accolade, and he studied in France under a Fulbright Fellowship at the Conservatoire National Régional de Musique in Cergy-Pontoise, earning the Prix de Perfectionnement à l'unanimité.

Junior String Division Jurors



Praised for her "meltingly beautiful solos" (The Detroit News) and performances of "depth and insight" (Times Colonist), Pamela Highbaugh Aloni is a founding member of the prize-winning Lafayette String Quartet. She is an Associate Professor at the University of Victoria

where she has been teaching cello, chamber music and string pedagogy since 1991. The Lafayette quartet celebrated over 37 years of musical life together with the same four members and took their final bow together in August 2023. Highlights of their years include a celebration in 2000 performing all sixteen of Beethoven's string quartets, a 30th anniversary Shostakovich Cycle, a Second Viennese School project, commission of five new quartets by women composers quartets, and the initiation of the Lafayette Health Awareness Forum. Their CBC recording "Death and the Maiden" was awarded "Outstanding Classical Recording of the Year" by the Western Canada Music Awards. An enthusiastic and devoted teacher, Ms. Highbaugh Aloni served for ten years on the faculty at the Courtenay Youth Music School and Festival and has been the coach for the Greater Victoria Youth Orchestra cello section since 2004. She performs both as a soloist and recitalist and has been a guest artist with the Vetta Ensemble of Vancouver, Victoria Chamber Orchestra, Victoria Summer Festival, Festival of the Sound, Sooke Philharmonic, Eine Kleine Summer Music, Chamber Music San Juan, and served as principal cellist with the Galiano Ensemble from 2000-2018. Pamela plays on a George Craske cello made in England, 1850.



Admired for her "luscious melodies" (New York Concert Review) and enlightened programming, violinist Karla Donehew Perez is a founding member of the GRAMMY-winning Catalyst Quartet as well as an acclaimed soloist, educator, and creative collaborator with numerous

world-class artists and ensembles. Among her many honors, she has earned top prizes in the Fischoff National Chamber Music Competition and the Sphinx Competition. She is currently a professor of violin studies at the Longy School of Music of Bard College. With the Catalyst Quartet, Donehew Perez has toured widely in the U.S. and abroad. Their recording projects include "Uncovered," a series highlighting historically important Black composers, and the 2017 GRAMMY-winning album "Dreams and Daggers" with Cecile McLorin Salvant. The quartet is currently Ensemble-in-Residence at the Metropolitan Museum of Art. As a soloist, Donehew Perez has appeared with the Berkeley Symphony, Sacramento Philharmonic, San Francisco Chamber Orchestra, St. Paul Chamber Orchestra, Cincinnati Symphony, Bogotá Philharmonic Orchestra, Puerto Rico Symphony Orchestra, New World Symphony, and Sphinx Symphony and Chamber

Orchestras, among others. As a chamber musician, she has performed with ensembles including Orpheus Chamber Orchestra and East Coast Chamber Orchestra (ECCO), and collaborated with such artists as Joshua Bell, Anthony McGill and Fredericka Von Stade. She has served as guest concertmaster at the Tucson Symphony and spent two years as a fellow at the New World Symphony. An avid teacher and mentor, Donehew Perez has taken part in residencies and masterclasses Kennedy Center, New York Philharmonic, and multiple collegiate music programs. She also performs at numerous major music festivals. Besides her Catalyst Quartet recordings, Donehew Perez performs on "Strum" (Azica Records), a collection of works by Jessie Montgomery; and "Bandoneón y Cuerdas," a collaborative album with JP Jofre. She recently recorded the solo violin music for Mosaic, a method anthology highlighting artists from underrepresented communities. Born in Puerto Rico, Donehew Perez earned Bachelor's and Master's Degrees from the Cleveland Institute of Music.



Paul Nitsch is the Carolyn McMahon Professor of Music and the Macavity Artist-in-Residence on the faculty of Queens University of Charlotte, North Carolina. He was Assistant Director, Pianist-in-Residence, and Pianist of the

Garth Newel Piano Trio at the Garth Newel Music Center in Hot Springs, Virginia, Artistic Director for the Fontana Concert Society in Kalamazoo, Michigan, and Executive Director of the Swannanoah Summer Chamber Music Series in North Carolina. He is particularly devoted to the study and performance of chamber music with piano and has collaborated with many ensembles. Paul Nitsch studied with George Crumb and David Burge at the University of Colorado during his pre-college years. He earned the BM and MM degrees in piano performance at the Peabody Conservatory, studying with Walter Hautzig and Leon Fleisher. He won two Fulbright Scholarship Grants for study with Dieter Weber and Noel Flores at the Vienna Academy. He earned his DMA in Collaborative Piano at the Cleveland Institute of Music with pianist Anne Epperson. He has performed as chamber pianist in the Eastern US and Western Europe. He has also adjudicated for numerous piano competitions, and for the prestigious Fischoff National Chamber Music Competition and the Wolff-Bing International Chamber Music Competition. Students of Dr. Nitsch have attended every major conservatory in the US, the Curtis Institute, and Yale and Harvard Universities. His pre-college students consistently win the top prizes in competitions, and his Duo-Piano team earned the National Grand Prize in the MTNA Piano Duet Competition.

Senior Wind Division Jurors



Haley Hoops has been the Second Horn player of the Dallas Symphony since 1999. She has also performed with orchestras across the globe, including, the orchestras of Detroit, Hong Kong, Los Angeles, and Milwaukee. She was a member of the Grand Teton Music Festival Orchestra for 20 years and has performed since

2018 as the Second Horn of the Mainly Mozart Festival in San Diego, CA. In 2012, Haley Hoops wanted to try her hand at solo performing. She co-commissioned and premiered the Sonata for Horn by James Stephenson at the International Horn Workshop in Denton, TX. Wanting to learn more about solo playing, in 2013, she competed in the International Horn Competition of America and won First Prize. Since that time, she has been invited to perform solo recitals at major universities around the country and horn workshops. She also was invited to play as the solo horn player with Adele on her 2016 Dallas tour date. Haley Hoops has taught at Southern Methodist University, in Dallas, TX, since 2001 and is now adjunct associate professor of horn. Along with duties at SMU, Hoops has served as interim professor at the University of Oklahoma and North Texas University. In 2020, Haley Hoops started a YouTube channel called "haleyhoops" to help influence aspiring horn players. Hoops is a proud alumni of the University of Michigan where she earned a Bachelor of Musical Arts with Professor Lowell Greer. She also earned a Masters of Music Performance from Northwestern University with Professor Gail Williams.



Frank Kowalsky has performed as principal clarinetist with orchestras throughout the United States, including the Seattle Symphony Orchestra, the Pacific Northwest Ballet Orchestra, the Bellingham Festival, the Naples Philharmonic, Tallahassee Symphony Orchestra, and Northwood Orchestra.

He has also been a member of the United States Marine Band, the Colorado Philharmonic, the Rochester Philharmonic, the Seattle Chamber Music Festival, and Music at Gretna. His introduction of Scott McAllister's "X—Concerto for Clarinet" to the clarinet community in 1998 led to the commissioning of McAllister's concerto, "Black Dog", which was written for him and premiered at Florida State University in 2003. A member of the faculty at the Interlochen Arts Academy for over a decade, he was the Professor of Clarinet at Florida State University from 1984 until his retirement in 2013. He holds degrees from the Eastman School of Music, the Manhattan School of Music, and the Catholic University of America, and now makes his home in Seattle, WA.



Chien-Kwan Lin has appeared as soloist and guest artist with the United States Navy Band, Eastman Wind Ensemble, Boston Modern Orchestra Project, Tanglewood Festival Orchestra, New World Symphony, Beijing Symphony, Singapore Symphony, Boston Philharmonic, Rochester Philharmonic,

Sichuan Philharmonic, Thailand Philharmonic, and Rochester Chamber orchestra. His recording of Lei Liang's Memories of Xiaoxiang for Alto Saxophone & Tape (Mode) was selected among "Amazon.com: Best 20th/21st Century Classical of 2009," while his recording of Liang's Xiaoxiang Concerto with the Boston Modern Orchestra Project (BMOP/sound) was named a Pulitzer Prize Finalist in 2015. Mr. Lin is currently Professor of Saxophone at the Eastman School of Music, where he is also founding director of the Eastman Saxophone Project (ESP) and recipient of the Eisenhart Award for Excellence in Teaching. His students have won more than sixty major national and international prizes, including four First Prizes at the North American Saxophone Alliance Competition, four Gold Medals at the Fischoff National Chamber Music Competition, thirteen First Prizes at the Music Teachers National Association Competition, Grand Prizes at both the Coleman and Plowman Chamber Music Competitions, as well as top prizes at the Jean-Marie Londeix International Saxophone Competition. Many of his former students hold collegiate teaching positions, and are members of premier military bands in Washington, D.C., including 'The President's Own' U.S. Marine Band, the U.S. Navy Band, and the U.S. Army Band 'Pershing's Own' Ceremonial and Concert Bands.



Hailing from Torbay, Newfoundland, and Labrador, Hillary Simms is the newest trombonist and first female member of the acclaimed American Brass Quintet. With her appointment to the ABQ, Hillary also joins the faculty at The Juilliard School and the Aspen Music Festival and School. Named as one of

Canada's top 30 classical musicians under 30, Hillary has performed with several ensembles throughout North America including the Chicago Symphony Orchestra with whom she recently joined on their 3 week tour of Europe under the baton of Maestro Riccardo Muti. Hillary has also performed with the New York Philharmonic, Vancouver Symphony, National Arts Center Orchestra, Canadian Opera Company, Winnipeg Symphony Orchestra, and Newfoundland Symphony Orchestra. Prior to joining ABQ, she was a guest artist with Seraph Brass, and is a founding member of the Canadian Trombone Quartet and Saltwater Brass Quintet. Hillary can be heard playing lead trombone on the album Then is Now with Jens Lindemann and the Canadian All-Star Jazz Band as well as her 2020 solo performance of the Tomasi concerto with the National Arts Center Orchestra on YouTube. Hillary serves on the artistic committee for the Canadian Women's Brass Collective, and was previously on faculty at Memorial University of Newfoundland. Hillary holds degrees from McGill University, Yale University, and the Glenn Gould School; she is currently pursuing a DMA at Northwestern University. Hillary is a proud artist for Thein Brass.

Senior String Division Jurors



Cellist Natasha Brofsky enjoys a performing and teaching career which has taken her to cities all over the US, Europe and China. A member of the cello and chamber music faculty at the Juilliard School since 2012, she was a member of the New England Conservatory cello faculty for fourteen

years, and also taught at Barratt-Due Musikk Institutt in Oslo, Norway. She is also a summer faculty member at the Yellow Barn, Kneisel Hall, Orford and Vivace Music festivals and has performed at numerous other festivals including Four Seasons in North Carolina and IMS Open Chamber Music in Prussia Cove, England. As a member of the renowned Peabody Trio for seventeen years, Ms. Brofsky played on prominent chamber music series throughout the U.S., Canada, and the U.K and was heard on numerous radio broadcasts. Champions of new music as well as the classics, the trio recorded on the New World, CRI, and Artek labels. During a decade in Europe, Ms. Brofsky was principal cellist of the Norwegian Radio Orchestra and a member of the Norwegian Chamber Orchestra, the String Trio Opus 3 and the Serapion Ensemble. She has published articles on string playing in The Strad Magazine and on Violin Channel and her master classes appear on Cellobello.com. Her most recent recording is of the late Beethoven Cello Sonatas Opus 102 with pianist Seth Knopp. A native New Yorker, Ms. Brofsky is artistic director of Music for Food's New York chapter, a musician-led initiative for local hunger relief.



The profound influence of pianist Gilbert Kalish as an educator and pianist in myriad performances and recordings has established him as a major figure in American music making. Mr. Kalish is a native New Yorker and a graduate of Columbia College. He was the pianist of the Boston Symphony Chamber Players

for 30 years and was a founding member of the Contemporary Chamber ensemble, a group devoted to new music that flourished during the 1960's and 70's. He is a frequent guest with many of the world's most distinguished chamber ensembles. Since 2006 he has been an Artist member of the Chamber Music Society of Lincoln Center. His thirty-year partnership with the great mezzo-soprano Jan DeGaetani was universally recognized as one of the most remarkable artistic collaborations of our time. He has long standing partnerships with the soprano Dawn Upshaw as well as with the cellists Timothy Eddy and Joel Krosnick. As educator, he is Distinguished Professor at Stony Brook University where he has served for over forty years. From 1969-1997 he was a faculty member at the Tanglewood Music Center and served as "Chairman of the Faculty" at Tanglewood from 1985-1997. Since that time he has been a participant in summer music institutions such as the Banff Centre, the Marlboro Festival, the Steans Institute at Ravinia and the Yellow Barn Festival. He has been a performer and faculty member at Music@Menlo since its inception, and in 2012 was appointed Director of the International Program at this festival. Mr. Kalish has been presented with the Paul Fromm award by the University of Chicago's music department for distinguished service to the music of our time, the Peabody Medal by the Peabody Institute for his contributions to the music of America and the Richard J. Bogomolny National Service Award by Chamber Music America for his outstanding contributions to chamber music in America.



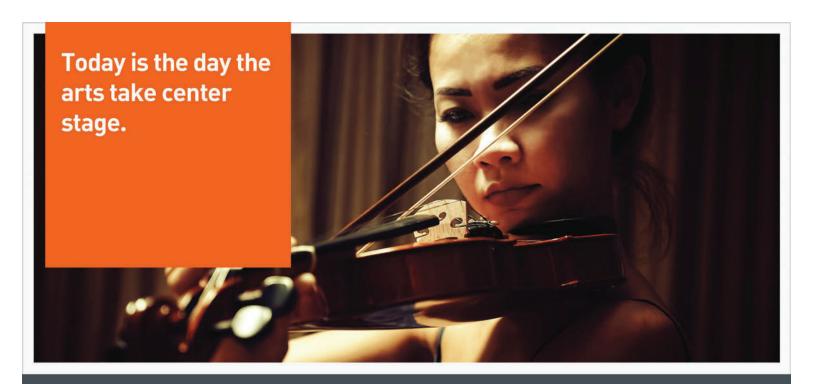
Violist **Ah Ling Neu's** performing career has spanned several continents, including the U.S., Europe, Australia and Asia. An avid chamber musician, she was a member of the renowned Cassatt String Quartet and Ridge String Quartet and New York Phillomusica. She was invited to the Marlboro Music Festival for four

summers and toured with Musicians from Marlboro. She is presently a member of the North Country Chamber Players in New Hampshire and the Brooklyn Library Chamber Players and is a frequent guest at the Barge Music in Brooklyn, NY. She has participated in festivals such as the Bridgehampton Festival, the White Mountains Music Festival, Manchester Music Festival and International Musician's Seminar in Cornwall, England. Born in Japan of Chinese parents, Ah Ling started viola in the San Francisco public school system at the age of 13. She continued her studies at the San Francisco Conservatory of Music with Gennady Kleyman and Nobuko Imai at the Hague Royal Conservatory in the Netherlands. While she was finishing her studies at SFCM she served as an acting member of the San Francisco Symphony for three seasons. Ah Ling performs frequently with several orchestras in the NYC area and is currently on the faculty of Columbia University and Williams College.



Ian Swensen, violinist, chamber musician and teacher holds the Isaac Stern chair of violin and chamber music at the San Francisco Conservatory of Music. He had taught there in the college and pre-college divisions for 31 years. He is one of the few musicians to have been awarded the Walter W.

Naumburg International Competition's top prize for both solo violin and chamber music (as first violinist of the Meliora String Quartet). Chamber music has dominated his performing career. He has worked with so many wonderful artists including Robert Mann, Menahem Pressler, Leon Fleisher, Yo Yo Ma, Lynn Harrell, Steven Isserlis, Gil Kalish, Kim Kashkashian, members of the Cleveland Quartet, Juilliard Quartet, Concord Quartet, Emerson Quartet, Tokyo Quartet, Takacs Quartet, Berg Quartet, Beaux Arts Trio, and the exceptional performing faculty and students at SFCM. Over the years he has been a part of many great music festivals around the world both as teacher and performer including Tanglewood, Music from Menlo, Spoleto, Santa Fe, Bowdoin, Orford Music Academy, Domaine Forget de Charlevoix, Marlboro, and Morningside Music Bridge. In 2021, he was named US Presidential Scholar's most influential teacher. His former students have won positions in major orchestras. Others have formed international competition winning quartets including the Telegraph Quartet who won the Fischoff Chamber Music Competition in 2014. Ian plays recitals these days with his partner and pianist Weicong Zhang. He is fortunate to play on a beautiful Nicolo Gagliano violin from 1761 and a Grand Adam bow from the early 1800's. This violin was recently restored by Adam Pelzer of Florian Leonhard Fine Violins.



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Lift Every Voice Jurors and Event

The Fischoff National Chamber Music Competition hosts the annual Lift Every Voice Prize to celebrate the work of historically underrepresented composers in the chamber music world. The Prize is awarded to one Senior Division Strings ensemble and one Senior Division Winds ensemble for the best performance of a piece by a historically underrepresented composer. Join us for this year's Lift Every Voice panel discussion, award ceremony, performance, and public reception, marking the beginning of this year's competition.

6 PM

Dr. Kevin Kwan Loucks, CEO of Chamber Music America, will lead a panel discussion featuring Rochelle Sennet DMA, Alfred J. Guillaume, Jr. PhD, and Dr. Marvin Curtis EdD.

7 PM

Awards ceremony and recital followed by public reception



With over two decades on the cello, Titilayo Ayangade has gracefully navigated classical music's landscape. A recent recipient of the Chamber Music America Artistic Projects grant, as the cellist of Duo Kayo, Titilayo continues her history of excellence in chamber

music preceded by awards at Fischoff and tours spanning China to Brazil. This season features performances with Sphinx Virtuosi, collaborations with MAD Museum, Caramoor, Newport Classical, Lincoln Center and more. Titilayo champions BIPOC musicians through commissioning new works and performance, advocating for an inclusive musical tapestry. Off-stage, she's a successful photographer, working with Grammy-nominated artists and renowned orchestras. Explore her journey at www.titilayoandco.com.



Flutist Catherine Ramirez has captivated listeners from her desert roots along the U.S. Southern border to audiences around the world. Among her accolades, she earned three international competition prizes in Italy, a New York Recital Debut, a McKnight Fellowship

for Musicians, and most recently, a Sphinx MPower Artist Grant. She has performed at such renowned venues The Kennedy Center's Millennium Stage, Carnegie's Weill Recital Hall, and the Beijing Concert Hall, as well as with such ensembles as the Chione Wind Quintet, Sunriver Music Festival, Vermont Mozart Festival, Juarez Symphony (Mexico), El Paso Symphony, Minnesota Sinfonia, Minnesota Opera, Minnesota Orchestra, and The Saint Paul Chamber Orchestra. As a dedicated educator, she has been an adjudicator and coach for the Fischoff National Chamber Music Competition. has taught youth to graduate students on four continents to high acclaim, and is Artist-in-Residence (Flute) at St. Olaf College. Catherine has also mentored young adults through the National Flute Association and Posse Foundation. Her performances have been broadcast on WFMT, KUHF and MPR radio, and her research on optimal musical communication has been featured on the cover of The Flutist Quarterly.



Dr. Rochelle Sennet has established herself as a well-known performer, teacher, and scholar. Her recital programs showcase her versatility at the keyboard, with frequent performances of works by J.S. Bach and Black composers such as H. Leslie Adams and James Lee III.

She received the Bachelor of Music degree from San Francisco Conservatory of Music, Master of Music degree from University of Michigan, Artist Diploma from Texas Christian University, and the Doctor of Musical Arts degree from University of Illinois. She is an Associate Professor of Piano and Associate Dean for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion in the College of Fine and Applied Arts at University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign. Her latest 3-Disc recording, "Bach to Black: Suites for Piano, Volume III" was released on Albany Records, and includes the complete French Suites and French Overture of J.S. Bach, and seven suites by Black composers such as Margaret Bonds and Adolphus Hailstork. She previously released "Bach to Black: Suites for Piano, Volume II," a 3-disc set, which includes the complete Partitas of Bach, and six suites by Black composers such as George Walker and Florence Price. Volume I of "Bach to Black," also a 3-Disc recording, and includes the complete English Suites of Bach, and six additional suites by five Black composers. She was a co-founder of Duo MemDi, a pianoviolin duo established in 2010 on the principles of diversity and performing works by memory. Dr. Sennet is a Voting Member of The Recording Academy, and she is a Yamaha Artist.

Medal & Prize Sponsors

SENIOR DIVISIONS



The Fischoff Grand Prize — \$15,000

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The Grand Prize winning ensemble will receive a prestigious invitation to become a Showcase Ensemble at the Chamber Music America (CMA) Annual Conference. This coveted opportunity offers unparalleled visibility and networking prospects within the chamber music community.

The Grand Prize winning ensemble will have the honor of performing at the prestigious Emilia Romagna Festival in Italy as part of their prize. This esteemed festival showcases world-class musicians from around the globe, providing our winners with a unique opportunity to captivate international audiences and further elevate their musical careers.

Senior Division Strings

Gold Medal & Winner's Tour — \$5,000 Sponsored by Deirdre Mylod and Paul Worland

The Gold Medal for the Senior String Division is sponsored by Deirdre Mylod and Paul Worland in honor of the talent and hard work demonstrated by the musicians. Achieving the level of performance needed to participate in Fischoff takes a rare combination of innate skill, perseverance, and true passion for chamber music. On these musicians' shoulders rests the critical task of shepherding this art form to the next generation. We are even more grateful for their impact on our culture after a year when music and art have been a needed respite in the midst of unprecedented challenges.

Silver Medal - \$4,000

Bronze Medal — \$3,000

Endowed by the Barbara Shields Byrum Fund for The Fischoff National Chamber Music Association of the Community Foundation of St. Joseph County

Katie and Bill Shields and their daughter Barbara Shields Byrum were long-time friends of Fischoff. As advocates for the Michiana region, they undertook major leadership roles in community initiatives, including the creation of Fischoff's first endowed prize to support the artistic achievements of young chamber ensembles.

Senior Division Winds

Gold Medal & Winner's Tour — \$5,000

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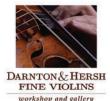
Silver Medal — \$4.000

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Bronze Medal - \$3,000

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The life and memory of G. Burt and Charlotte Ford are being honored through the awarding of this medal. Both Char and Burt were devoted to good causes within our community. None was more important to them than Char's work with Fischoff for so many years. It is with sincere gratitude that Fischoff honors the Fords in this way.



Gold Medal Senior Strings winners will produce a state-of-the-art, acoustically stunning video recording in Guarneri Hall in the heart of downtown Chicago.



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The Marijke Niles Junior Strings Division

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William Garber's mother, Elizabeth "Betty" Rose Garber, daughter of an emigrant to Chicago from the Austro-Hungarian Empire was an educator for over thirty years mainly in the Southwest Michigan area public school system. Following retirement and the death of her late husband, V. Edward "Ed" Garber, Mrs. Garber continued her commitment to helping both foreign and domestic students find the financial resources to fund their education. A competent classical pianist, Mrs. Garber loved great music and on several occasions was able to personally present this award. Following her passing in 2017, we once again honor her for her unflagging commitment to the development of young talent in whatever field they wish to pursue, especially here with the Fischoff.

Silver Medal — \$2.000

Sponsored by Andrea Crawford & Michael Pippenger

Michael Pippenger and Andrea Crawford are honored to support Fischoff, and, in particular, recognize the excellence of this year's winners of the Junior Division Strings Silver Medal. As Beethoven exclaimed, "Music is the electrical soil in which the spirit lives, thinks and invents." Thank you to this year's Silver winners whose artistry has revealed their love of chamber music and allowed us to see, hear, and experience their spirits that play through their moving and creative performance. May they continue their journey as chamber musicians of the highest order, bringing joy to themselves and their audiences for years to come.

Bronze Medal — \$1,500 Endowed by Marijke Niles & Family

Marijke, Kirsten and Marc Niles have endowed the Bronze Junior Division Prize to honor all past Fischoff participants, in particular the Juniors, for their enthusiasm and love for music. "We want to pay tribute to Fischoff's musicians, who have given us such extraordinary inspiration in the many years we attended this very special competition," says the Niles family. "We continue to follow with great pride the successes and great achievements of the Fischoff family. We encourage this year's third-prize winner to always remember the pride you feel today and treasure your memories of the Fischoff Competition. We moved to Vermont, but Fischoff moved with us in our hearts...and the music plays on."

Junior Division Winds

Endowed by the Barbara Shields Byrum Fund for The Fischoff National Chamber Music Association of the Community Foundation of St. Joseph County

Gold Medal — \$2,500

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Silver Medal — \$2.000

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Bronze Medal — \$1,500



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The Fischoff National Chamber Music Association is proud to award the Lift Every Voice Prize, awarded to one Senior String Division and one Senior Wind Division ensemble for best performance of a work by a historically underrepresented composer within the chamber music world. #ExpandTheCannon

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Senior Winds — \$1,500

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Dr. Curtis is a Fischoff Board member and member of Fischoff's Equity, Diversity & Inclusion Committee.

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Friday, May 10, 2024

JUNIOR WIND QUARTERFINAL Leighton Concert Hall DeBartolo Performing Arts Center		JUNIOR STRING QUARTERFINAL Leighton Concert Hall DeBartolo Performing Arts Center		SENIOR WIND QUARTERFINAL LaBar Recital Hall O'Neill Hall of Music		SENIOR STRING QUARTERFINAL LaBar Recital Hall O'Neill Hall of Music		
Morning		Morning		Morning		Afternoon		
8:00	The Purple Hippopotami	11:15	Corda Quartet	9:00	Cadeaux Quartet	11:50	Trio Sponte	
8:20	Samba Quartet	11:35	Myer Schwartz Piano Trio	9:25	LOTUS Quartet	12:15	Erinys Quartet	
8:40	Divum Quartet	11:55	Seraphim Quartet	9:50	Civic Winds	12:40	Rosetta String Quartet	
9:00	Alta Tensione Brass Quintet	12:15 12:35	3			Break	(
9:20	Five Guys Wind Quintet		_	10:20	Center Woodwind	1:10	Trio Eris	
Break		Break	Break		Quintet		Trio Riso	
		1:05	Mystique Quartet	10:45	Quartet Fiume	2:00	Forst Quartet	
9:50	Aurora Winds	1:25	:25 Y Piano Trio		11:10 Blitz		Lunch Break	
10:10	Halcyon Saxophone Trio	1:45	1:45 Temple567 Trio		unch Break			
10:30	Encore Flute Quartet	2:05	Willow Quartet	Afternoon	5:30 5:55	Hesper Quartet		
10:50	Polarity Quartet	2:25	Saphir Quartet	2:40	Zed		Pneum Quartet	
Lunch Break		Lunch	n Break	3:05	PULSE	6:20	Arancia Quartet	
Aftern	Afternoon		Evening		Break		(
2:50	Voyageur Trio	Eveni	ng	3:30 Panacea Reed Quintet		6:50	MILA Quartet	
3:10	Lowell Quartet	4:55	Passera Piano Quartet	Break		7:15	Trio Menil	
3:30	Astraea Quartet	5:15	Ann Newman String	4:00	Garden State Quintet	7:40	Trio Azura	
3:50	The Bone Rangers	r.7r	Quartet Trio Fiammifero	4:25	Voyager Reed Quintet	Eveni	na	
4:10	Meliorem Quartet	5:35		4:50	Onda Sonora		_	
4:30	Quid Nunc Saxophone	5:55	The LBD Trio	Eveni	na		45 p.m. r String Division	
	Quartet	6:15	5:15 Elysian Quartet		-		semifinalists will be posted.	
		Break		By 7:30 p.m. Senior Wind Division				
UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME		6:45	Keats Piano Trio	semifinalists will be posted.				
		7:05	Trioscuro					
		7:25	Clio Trio					
DE I	BARTOLO ⁺ RMING ARTS CENTER	7:45	The Gabriel Braverman String Quartet		st of ensembles advancing to e posted on Friday evening i			

8:05

Quartet Meraviglia





Saturday, May 11, 2024

JUNIOR DIVISION MEETING

Patricia George Decio Theatre **DeBartolo Performing** Arts Center

8:45 a.m.

JUNIOR DIVISION **MASTERCLASSES**

Assigned rooms to be announced

9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

JUNIOR WIND SEMIFINAL

Leighton Concert Hall DeBartolo Performing Arts Center

Afternoon

1:40	TBA*
2:00	
2:20	
2:40	
3:00	
3:20	
3:40	

* Seven quarterfinalist ensembles will advance to the semifinal round on Saturday. Advancing ensembles are announced on Saturday morning at the quarterfinalist meeting.

JUNIOR STRING SEMIFINAL

Leighton Concert Hall DeBartolo Performing Arts Center

Afternoon

4:05 4:25 4:45 5:05 5:25	TBA*	
Break		
5:50		
5:50 6:10		
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6:10		

* Ten quarterfinalist ensembles will advance to the semifinal round on Saturday. Advancing ensembles are announced on Saturday morning at the quarterfinalist meeting.

SENIOR WIND SEMIFINAL

Leighton Concert Hall **DeBartolo Performing Arts** Center

Morning

8:30 8:55 9:20 9:45 10:10	TBA*	
10:35		

SENIOR STRING SEMIFINAL

Leighton Concert Hall DeBartolo Performing Arts Center

Morning

11:05	TBA*
11:30	
11:55	

Afternoon

12:20	
12:45	
1:10	

* Six quarterfinalist ensembles from each senior division will advance to the semifinal round on Saturday.

FINALIST ANNOUNCEMENT. **ENSEMBLES MEET WITH JURORS & ICE CREAM** SOCIAL

Leighton Concert Hall DeBartolo Performing Arts Center

Evening

8:15	Doors open to
	Leighton Concert Hal
8.30	Finalist

Announcement

Afterwards

Ensemble meetings with jurors

Finalists meet with Fischoff staff

11:00 Ensemble meetings conclude; DeBartolo Performing Arts Center locked

Sunday, May 12, 2024

Three semifinalist ensembles from each division will advance to the final round on Sunday. Advancing ensembles are announced on Saturday evening at the Finalist Announcement.

SENIOR DIVISION FINAL

Leighton Concert Hall **DeBartolo Performing Arts Center**

Morning

10:00 a.m. to 12:35 p.m.

JUNIOR DIVISION FINAL

Leighton Concert Hall **DeBartolo Performing Arts Center**

Afternoon

12:50 p.m. to 2:55 p.m.

AWARDS CEREMONY & CONCERT

Sponsored by the College of Arts & Letters, University of Notre Dame

Leighton Concert Hall **DeBartolo Performing Arts Center**

The Awards & Concert are free and open to the public.

Afternoon

3:30 to 4:00 p.m. Awards 4:00 to 5:30 p.m. Concert

POST-CONCERT RECEPTION

Lobby of the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center

All are welcome.

Evening

5:45 to 6:15 p.m.

PBS Michiana



Watch Saturday and Sunday competition rounds live at fischoff.org. Share and follow The Fischoff Competition on social media using #fischoff2024.

Dinner & Book

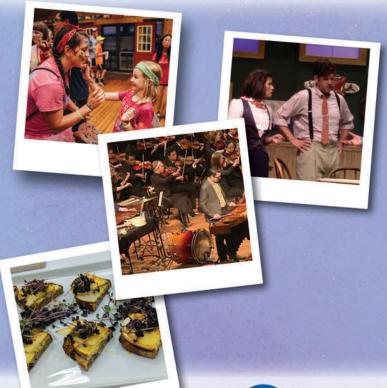


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Junior Wind Division Repertoire

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8:00 a.m. – JW1 The Purple Hippopotami

Merit School of Music, Chicago, Illinois

Sofia Villanueva, 18, Flute Kaylee Johnson, 15, Flute Jacob Cornejo, 17, Flute

Trois Pastorales pour 3 flutes (1964) Henri Tomasi

- Bolivienne
- 11. Cretoise
- III. Sicilienne

Birds, Trio for Piccolo, Flute and Alto Flute (2016). . Herman Beeftink

- "Flight" Allegro e dolce
- III. "The Journey" Adagio

Three Lines for three flutes (2013)...... Derek Charke

Trio pour Violon, Alto et Violoncelle (1927) . . Jean Cras/arr. Matt Fowler

III. Anime

8:20 a.m. - JW2 Samba Quartet

Grand Oaks High School, Spring, Texas

Juan Rivera, 17, Soprano Saxophone Adrian Quintana, 18, Alto Saxophone Sergio Cruz, 18, Tenor Saxophone Cristian Gonzalez, 18, Baritone Saxophone

Converging Spectrums (2018) Kevin Day Quatuor de Saxophones (2008) Jun Nagao III. Aspirer Street Tango (1989) Astor Piazzolla/arr. Gandara Recitation Book (2006) David Maslanka Fanfare/Variations on the chorale melody Durch Adams Fall

(Through Adam's Fall)

8:40 a.m. - JW3 Divum Quartet

Madison Central High School, Richmond, Kentucky

Brayden Hibbard, 18, Soprano Saxophone Micah Badget-Shelton, 17, Alto Saxophone Braden Cecil, 16, Tenor Saxophone Samuel Barber, 16, Baritone Saxophone

The Mechanics (Six from the Shop Floor) (2013) Carter Pann

- l. Hoist
- II. Drive Train

Quartette (Allegro de Concert) (1879) Caryl Florio

- Andante
- Allegro II.

9:00 a.m. – JW4 Alta Tensione Brass Quintet

Merit School of Music, Chicago, Illinois

Natalia Noriega, 17, Trumpet Olivia La Cerra, 17, Trumpet Oliver Poole, 15, Horn Hayden Keith, 17, Trombone Angel Cocone, 18, Tuba

Io Mi Son Giovannetti (1603) . . Claudio Monteverdi/arr. Paul Von Hoff

Quintet No. 1 in B-flat minor (1890) Victor Ewald

- Moderato Piu mosso
- III. Allegro Moderato

Mini Overture (1982) Witold Lutoslawski

Helios (2011) Stacy Garrop

JUNIOR WIND DIVISION REPERTOIRE

9:20 a.m. - JW5 Five Guys Wind Quintet

National Symphony Orchestra Youth Fellowship, Washington, D.C.

> Jayden Lee, 17, Flute Louis Westerman, 16, Clarinet Annie Jung, 17, Oboe Alison Pollock, 17, Bassoon Austin Adaranijo, 17, French Horn

9:50 a.m. - JW6 Aurora Winds

James Bowie High School (Austin ISD), Austin, Texas

Laythe Al-Rafati, 17, Flute Noah Bihan, 18, Oboe Abigail Oden, 17, Clarinet Grayden Warmink, 18, French Horn Althea Sobrevega, 17, Bassoon

Apollo (2019) Marc Mellits

I: Theia

VI: One Small Step

VII: Moonwalk

Woodwind Quintet Number Two: Op. 88, No. 2 (1818)

..... Anton Reicha/ed. Wise

I: Lento Tenuto

The Planets, Op. 32 (1917) Gustav Holst/arr. LaMoure

IV: Jupiter, the Bringer of Jollity

10:10 a.m. – JW7 Halcyon Saxophone Trio

Andy Dekaney High School, Houston, Texas

Diego Chapela-Perez, 18, Soprano Saxophone

Angel Sanchez, 18, Alto Saxophone

Joshua Allen, 17, Baritone Saxophone

Sonata Hexagrammic (2019) . . Takafumi Hikage/arr. Matthew Fowler

String Trio in D Minor Op. 1 (1900) . . Nikolay Amani/arr. Abraham Nuñez

Brushstrokes (2014)..... Alyssa Morris/arr. Matthew Fowler

I. Monet

II. Seurat

III. Van Gogh

Bourbon Street

IV. Pollock

10:30 a.m. - JW8 Encore Flute Quartet

Encore Music Academy, Crystal Lake, Illinois

Lexi Belyaev, 18, Flute/Piccolo Naomi Emmanuel, 15, Flute/Alto Flute Cassie Floyd, 18, Flute/Bass Flute Kelsey Karnoscak, 17, Flute

JUNIOR WIND DIVISION REPERTOIRE

10:50 a.m. – JW9 Polarity Quartet	3:10 p.m. – JW11 Lowell Quartet
James Bowie High School, Austin, Texas	Campo Verde High School, Gilbert, Arizona
Ethan Williams, 18, Soprano Saxophone Sayaka Nabeshima, 16, Alto Saxophone Karen Merryman, 18, Tenor Saxophone Aidan Newhall, 18, Baritone Saxophone	Michael Hanus, 17, Soprano Saxophone Kai Hunter, 17, Alto Saxophone Izzy Aznar-Beane, 17, Tenor Saxophone Rafael Esparza, 17, Baritone Saxophone
Unquiet Spirits (2012) John Mackey I. II. The Jig (2018) Clint Bleil	Ryukuan Fantasy (1999)
Converging Spectrums (2018)	Quartette (Allegro de Concert) (1879) Caryl Florio
A Schumann Bouquet (1848/2015)	I. II. Volcanic Ash (2017)
2:50 p.m. – JW10 Voyageur Trio	VIII. Tempo flessible e vivo di filatosa
Chamber Music Connection, Worthington, Ohio Charlie Cheng, 15, Flute Jerry Yuan Gu, 18, Bassoon	X. Moderato e senza rigore, molto espressivo XII. Fugue - Allegro moderato con ritmo
Montgomery Moore, 14, Piano	3:30 p.m. – JW12 Astraea Quartet
Café Music (1986)Paul Schoenfield	Lake Travis High School, Austin, Texas
I. AllegroTrio for Piano, Oboe (flute), and Bassoon, FP 43 (1926) Francis PoulencI. Presto	Quinlan Collins, 17, Soprano Saxophone Jacob Ittycheria, 17, Alto Saxophone Eli Ward, 17, Tenor Saxophone Paige Chirempes, 17, Baritone Saxophone
D'un Matin de Printemps (1917) Lili Boulanger/arr. Aaron Schwartz	Songs for the Coming Day (2012) David Maslanka
Terzetto, Op. 22 (1872)	VIII. The soul is here for its own joy IX. Song for the Coming Day
	Ciudades (2011)
	Allegro de Concert (1859)Jean-Baptiste Singelee
	The Mechanics (2013)

II. Drive Train

JUNIOR WIND DIVISION REPERTOIRE

3:50 p.m. - JW13 The Bone Rangers

Merit School of Music, Chicago, Illinois Padric Sullivan, 17, Trombone Genesis Morales, 17, Trombone Calleigh Riordan, 16, Bass Trombone

Jonathan Martinez, 18, Bass Trombone

Être, ou ne pas être Monologue d' Hamlet (1963) Henri Tomasi

Andantino Presto

Allegretto

Agitato

"I can see myself in you..."

4:10 p.m. - JW14 Meliorem Quartet

Keys Conservatory at Pinecrest Academy Sloan Canyon, Henderson, Nevada

> Axel Kelley, 15, Soprano Saxophone Noah Lyum, 14, Alto Saxophone Joshua Kit Musni, 15, Tenor Saxophone Anothen Espiritu, 15, Baritone Saxophone

Three Airs after Bach for Saxophone Quartet (1731) . . . J.S. Bach/arr. Ito

Air on the G String

Songs for the Coming Day (2012) David Maslanka

III. Awakening

VIII. The soul is here for its own joy

Short Stories (1996)......Jennifer Higdon

"Coyote Nights"

"Splashing the Canvas"

4:30 p.m. – JW15 Quid Nunc Saxophone Quartet

Ronald Reagan High School, San Antonio, Texas

Andrew Diaz, 16, Soprano Saxophone Joshua Furtek, 17, Alto Saxophone Gabriel Garnier, 16, Tenor Saxophone Noah Vu, 16, Baritone Saxophone

Sarajevo (Bosnia & Herzegovina)

Mishima (1985)......Philip Glass

VI. Closing

II. Beggars Lace

Fantasy Etudes (1993)......William Albright

II. Pypes

The Dromer (1700)......Traditional/arr. Pyle

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11:15 a.m. - JS1 Corda Quartet

Ed & Mari Edelman Honors Chamber Music Institute of the Colburn Community School of Performing Arts, Los Angeles, California

> Andrés Engleman, 17, Violin Sarah Yang, 15, Violin Joshua Chae, 16, Viola Irene Choung, 17, Cello

String Quartet in G minor, Op. 10 (1893) Claude Debussy

Animé et très décidé

String Quartet in C minor, Op. 18, No. 4 (1801) . . Ludwig van Beethoven

Allegro ma non tanto

String Quartet No. 2 in F Major, Op. 92 (1941) Sergei Prokofiev

Allegro sostenuto

11:35 a.m. – JS2 Myer Schwartz Piano Trio

Settlement Music School, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Jiaray Shi, 17, Violin Samuel Cao, 15, Cello Collin Parker-Szekely, 17, Piano

Piano Trio in B Major, Op. 8 (1854)Johannes Brahms Allegro con brio

Piano Trio in G Major (1880)................................. Claude Debussy

IV. Finale: Appassionato

Piano Trio in F-sharp minor (1952) Arno Babajanian

III. Allegro vivace

11:55 a.m. - JS3 Seraphim Quartet

The Music Institute of Chicago Academy, Evanston, Illinois

Clark Snavely, 18, Violin Sasha Varchenko, 16, Violin Tristan Zhu, 17, Viola Serge Kalinovsky, 17, Cello

String Quartet in C minor, Op. 18, No. 4 (1800)

.....Ludwig van Beethoven

Allegro ma non tanto

String Quartet No. 2 in F Major, Op. 92 (1941) Sergei Prokofiev

III. Allegro

String Quartet in B-flat Major, Op. 67 (1875)Johannes Brahms

III. Agitato (Allegretto non troppo)

Arcadiana, Op. 12 (1994) Thomas Adès

VI. O Albion

12:15 p.m. – JS4 Trío de Ángeles

Colburn Music Academy, Los Angeles, California

Esme Arias-Kim, 18, Violin Angela Rose Padula, 17, Cello Caden Lin. 16. Piano

Piano Trio in E-flat Major, Op. 100 (1827)..... Franz Schubert

I. Allegro

Trio élégiaque No. 1 in G minor (1892)Sergei Rachmaninoff

Single movement

Piano Trio in E minor, Op. 67 (1943-44) Dmitri Shostakovich

IV. Allegretto - Adagio

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JUNIOR STRING DIVISION REPERTOIRE

12:35 p.m. – JS5 Breshears String Quartet 1:45 p.m. - JS8 Temple567 Trio Temple University Music Prep, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania San Francisco Conservatory of Music, San Francisco, California Emily Wu, 17, Piano Dustin Breshears, 17, Violin Aaron Liu, 17, Cello Daniel Qi, 16, Violin Valery Breshears, 14, Violin Colin Breshears, 11, Viola Piano Trio in E minor, Op. 67 (1944) Dmitri Shostakovich Starla Breshears, 16, Cello Andante - Moderato IV. Allegretto - Adagio String Quartet in C Major, K. 465 "Dissonance" (1785) Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart Piano Trio in D Major, Op. 70, No. 1, "Ghost" (1809) Adagio – AllegroLudwig van Beethoven String Quartet in A minor, Op. 51, No. 2 (1873) Johannes Brahms I. Allegro vivace e con brio Allegro non troppo II. Andante moderato 2:05 p.m. - JS9 Willow Quartet Colburn Music Academy, Los Angeles, California 1:05 p.m. – JS6 Mystique Quartet James Birch, 17, Violin New York Youth Symphony, New York, New York Henry Woodruff, 16, Viola Aya Smoot, 17, Violin Sheena Youn, 16, Cello Siena Ruske, 15, Violin David Choi, 16, Piano Leandra Wyrick, 15, Viola Mila Wyrick, 17, Cello Allegro Molto Moderato String Quartet in F minor, Op. 80 (1847) Felix Mendelssohn Piano Quartet in E-flat Major, K493 (1786) Allegro vivace assai Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart Strum for String Quartet (2006)..... Jessie Montgomery Allegro String Quartet in F Major (1903) Maurice Ravel Piano Quartet in A minor, Op. 67 (1931) Joaquin Turina Allegro Moderato I. Lento – Andante Mosso 1:25 p.m. - JS7 Y Piano Trio 2:25 p.m. - JS10 Saphir Quartet Middle School Affiliated to China Conservatory of Music, Barratt-Due Institute of Music, Oslo, Norway Beijing, China Philippe Jayer, 17, Violin/Viola Mingnan Yue, 17, Violin Torje Råbu, 18, Violin/Viola Ziyue Wang, 14, Cello Amanda Noor Vatn, 17, Violin/Viola Fanze Yang, 15, Piano Iris Kalliovirta, 17, Cello Piano Trio in G minor, Op. 15 (1856) Bedřich Smetana String Quartet No. 1, Op. 7 (1909) Béla Bartok Allegro, ma non agitato III. Allegro vivace III. Finale Presto String Quartet No. 1 in G minor, Op. 27 (1877-78) Edvard Grieg Piano Trio No. 2 in E minor, Op. 67 (1944).... Dmitri Shostakovich Un poco andante – Allegro molto ed agitato IV. Allegretto - Adagio String Quartet in C Major, Op. 33, No. 3 (1781) Joseph Haydn Allegro moderato

JUNIOR STRING DIVISION REPERTOIRE

5:55 p.m. - JS14 The LBD Trio 4:55 p.m. – JS11 Passera Piano Quartet MYCO, Chapel Hill, North Carolina National Symphony Orchestra Youth Fellowship Program, Washington, District of Columbia Seunne Khoo. 17. Violin Téa Bowers, 18, Viola Audrey Goodner, 18, Violin Kai Wong, 18, Cello Kyle Ryu, 18, Cello Grace Dai, 17, Piano Jessica Chen, 16, Piano Piano Quartet, H. 287 (1951)......Bohuslav Martinů Piano Trio in G minor, Op. 15 (1855) Bedřich Smetana I. Poco allegro Moderato assai Piano Quartet in G minor, K. 478 (1785).. Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart Piano Trio in D minor, Op. 49 (1839)..... Felix Mendelssohn I. Allegro II. Andante con moto tranquillo Hard Winter/Holler and Stomp (2008) Kenji Bunch Piano Trio in E-flat Major, Op. 1, No. 1 (1793) . . Ludwig van Beethoven Piano Quartet No. 1 in G minor, Op. 25 (1861) Johannes Brahms 1. Allegro IV. Rondo alla Zingarese 6:15 p.m. - JS15 Elysian Quartet 5:15 p.m. – JS12 Ann Newman String Quartet The Music Institute of Chicago Academy, Evanston, Illinois Settlement Music School, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania Nolan Chang, 17, Violin Noëlle Streuber-Eden, 15. Violin Kai Isoke Ali-Landing, 15, Violin Gabriela Salvador Riera, 17. Violin Vivian Van de Sype-Cucu, 17, Viola Lucas Lauprasert, 18, Viola Katarina Kenney, 15, Cello Isabel Morales, 17, Cello String Quartet No. 1 in G minor, Op. 27 (1877-78) Edvard Grieg String Quartet in F Major, Op. 18, No. 1 (1798-1800) IV. Finale: Lento – Presto al saltarelloLudwig van Beethoven Allegro con brio String Quartet No. 1 in B minor, Op. 50 (1931) Sergei Prokofiev I. Allegro String Quartet No. 8 in C minor, Op. 110 (1960). . Dmitri Shostakovich I. Largo String Quartet No. 1 "Calvary" (1956) Coleridge-Taylor Perkinson II. Allegro molto Allegro Strum (2006) Jessie Montgomery 6:45 p.m. - JS16 Keats Piano Trio 5:35 p.m. – JS13 Trio Fiammifero Chamber Music | OC Pre-College, Lake Forest, California Midwest Young Artists Conservatory, Highwood, Illinois Vivian Lu, 17, Violin Cecilia O'Malley, 16, Violin/Cello Natalie Kwok, 17, Cello Javier Irizarry, 18, Violin Kyle Yeung, 16, Piano Callia Murray, 15, Viola Piano Trio in A minor, Op. 50 (1882)..... Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky Serenade for Two Violins and Viola, Op. 12 (1919-1920) . . Zoltán Kodály Pezzo elegiaco III. Vivo Piano Trio in A minor (1914) Maurice Ravel III. Passacaille III. Adagio ma non troppo Four Folk Songs for Piano Trio (2012)......Gabriela Lena Frank Trio à cordes (1938) Dick Kattenburg II. Children's Dance Maestoso

I. One

Tapas (2007)......Marc Mellits

JUNIOR STRING DIVISION REPERTOIRE

7:05 p.m. - JS17 Trioscuro

The Music Institute of Chicago Academy, Evanston, Illinois

Mingshi Xia, 18, Violin Simon Updegraff, 17 Cello Ethan Zheng, 17, Piano

Piano Trio in C minor, Op. 66 (1845) Felix Mendelssohn

Allegro energico e con fuoco

Piano Trio in E-flat Major, Op. 1, No. 1 (1795) . . Ludwig van Beethoven

Adagio cantabile

The Four Seasons of Buenos Aires (1965) Astor Piazzolla

III. Winter

7:25 p.m. - JS18 Clio Trio

The Juilliard School Pre-College, New York, New York

Lynn Sung, 16, Violin Joie Kuo, 16, Cello Yufei Cathy Chen, 16, Piano

Piano Trio for Violin, Cello and Piano No. 2 in D minor, H. 327 (1950)

.....Bohuslav Martinů

III. Allegro

Piano Trio in C Major, Hob XV:27 (1797) Franz Joseph Haydn

III. Finale, Presto

Piano Trio No. 2 "This Mirror Has Three Faces" (2011) . . . Lera Auerbach

- II. First Unfolding (Left Interior Panel) Allegro appassionato
- III. Second Unfolding (Right Interior Panel) Tempo di valse
- V. Folding Postlude (Right Exterior Panel) Adagio nostalgico

7:45 p.m. – JS19 The Gabriel Braverman String Quartet

Settlement Music School, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Miro Raj, 17, Violin Kai Freeman, 16, Violin Justine Sullivan-Cozza, 18, Viola Kwanchi Loo, 18, Cello

String Quartet in C minor, Op. 18, No. 4 (1800) . . Ludwig van Beethoven

Allegro ma non tanto

String Quartet in D minor "Death and the Maiden" (1824)

Franz Schubert

II. Andante con moto

Presto II (1996) Miguel del Águila

8:05 p.m. - JS20 Quartet Meraviglia

The Music Institute of Chicago Academy, Evanston, Illinois

Elle Cho, 15, Violin Lauren Kim. 16. Violin Emily Chen, 15, Viola Lucy Wu, 15, Cello

String Quartet in C Major, Op. 76, No. 3 "Emperor" (1797)

.....Joseph Haydn

IV. Finale: Presto

String Quartet No. 1, Op. 20 (1948) Alberto Ginastera

Allegro violento ed agitato

Crisantemi (1890)......Giacomo Puccini

Andante Mesto

String Quartet No. 1 "Calvary" (1956) Coleridge-Taylor Perkinson

Allegro



The Staff and Board of the Fischoff National Chamber Music Association extend our deepest condolences to the family, music student colleagues, mentors, and friends of violinist **Dana Chang**, age 17, on her sudden passing. Dana's beautiful playing will surely be remembered by all who knew her. Dana and her ensemble, the Highland Trio from Walnut Hill School for the Arts (Natick, MA), were looking forward to participating at Fischoff. Their presence will be sincerely missed.

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Senior Wind Division Repertoire

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9:00 a.m. - W1 Cadeaux Quartet

Northwestern University, Evanston, Illinois

Philip Kleutgens, 24, Soprano Saxophone Yun Qu Tan, 24, Alto Saxophone Brian Kachur, 24, Tenor Saxophone Natalia Warthen, 22, Baritone Saxophone

* Elegy: A Cry from the Grave (2016)......Carlos Simon La Vida Breve: Danse Espagnole No. 1 (1905)Manuel de Falla/arr. José Marcos * Night Music (2014) Emma O'Halloran Mother's Monster II. Beggar's Lace In memoriam (2015) Joel Love l. Threnody II. Adieu Petit Quatuor (1935) Jean Francaix Gaguenardise Cantilène III. Sérénade comique Holberg Suite, Op. 40 Edvard Grieg/arr. Julian Velasco I. Prelude II. Sarabande III. Gavotte IV. Air Rigaudon

9:25 a.m. - W2 LOTUS Quartet

Arizona State University, Tempe, Arizona

GianCarlo Lay, 20, Soprano Saxophone Johnathan Lee, 19, Alto Saxophone Keegan Ewan, 22, Tenor Saxophone Jerick Meagher, 22, Baritone Saxophone

Introduction et Variations sur une Ronde Populaire (1934)
* Sunburnt (2017)
In Memoriam (2015) Joel Love I. Threnody II. Adieu
* Prized Possessions (2015)
* Flight of Icarus (2012)
Prodigal Child (2004) John Fitz Rogers

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9:50 a.m. - W3 Civic Winds

Civic Orchestra of Chicago, Chicago, Illinois

Jungah Yoon, 29, Flute Kyungyeon Hong, 28, Oboe Haesol Amy Hur, 28, Clarinet Seo Young (Michelle) Min, 27, Bassoon Ryan Williamson, 24, Horn

Wind Quintet in F Major, Op. 81 (1850) George Onslow

- Allegro non troppo
- II: Scherzo, Energico
- III: Andante Sostenuto (A minor)
- IV: Finale, Allegro Spirituoso

Five Danses Profanes et Sacrées for Wind Quintet (1963)... Henri Tomasi

Danse Agreste

Danse Profane

Danse Sacree

Danse Nuptiale

Danse Guerriere

Summer Music, Op. 31 (1956)...... Samuel Barber

Six Pieces for Wind Quintet (2007) Anders Hillborg

I.

II.

III. Idyll

IV. With Fury

Very Calm

VI.

* Festlicher Tanz for Wind Quintet (1988)......Isang Yun

10:20 a.m. - W4 Center Woodwind Quintet

University of North Texas, Denton, Texas

Di Cao, 31, Flute Hyungju Oh, 31, Oboe Brandon Von, 24, Clarinet

Sam Himes, 25, Horn Victoria Donaldson, 24, Bassoon					
* Ambiguous Traces (2018) Narong Prangcharoen					
Cinq danses profanes et sacrées (1963)					
Winter Music (2012)					
Wind Quintet, Op. 43 (1922)					
Tzigane (2011)					
10:45 a.m W5 Quartet Fiume					
Michigan State University, East Lansing, Michigan Nathan Salazar, 26, Soprano Saxophone Parker Fritz, 26 Alto Saxophone Owen Kilpatrick, 24, Tenor Saxophone Michael Keeler, 23, Baritone Saxophone					
Italian Concerto BWV 971 (1735) Johann Sebastian Bach/arr. Tochio I. Allegro II. Andante II. Presto					
You've Been Talking In Your Sleep (2010) David Biedenbender					
Quatuor pour Saxophones (1964)					
Unquiet Spirits (2012) John Mackey I. II. III.					
Four, for Tango (1988) Astor Piazzolla/arr. Viorpy					

* Bulgarity (2013) Annika Socolofsky

^{*} Umoja (2001) Valerie Coleman

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11:10 a.m. - W6 Blitz

Indiana University Jacobs School of Music, Bloomington, Indiana

> Jake Simons, 25, Soprano Saxophone Johann Koh, 26, Alto Saxophone Wes Taylor, 25, Tenor Saxophone Kevin Chiang, 24, Baritone Saxophone

Capriccio, Op. 81 (1843)..... Felix Mendelssohn/arr. Bob Eason Introduction et variations sur une ronde populaire (1936)Gabriel Pierné * Variations Saxophoniques (1939) Fernande Decruck Andante espressivo Stesso Tempo, molto espressivo e sostenuto Allegretto scherzando Come prima (con flessibilita, senza rigore) Allegro moderato energico Allegro ma non troppo Lento espressivo (molto cantando) Tempo flessibile e vivo di filatosa Agitato e tumultuoso Moderato e senza rigore, molto espressivo Moderato senza Pentezza molto flessibile e senza rigore Fugue - Allegro moderato con ritmo In Memoriam (2015) Joel Love Threnody II. Adieu Tango Virtuoso (1991) Thierry Escaich Prized Possessions (2015)Viet Cuong I. Mother's Monster II. Beggar's Lace Hell Hath No Fury (2018)Stacy Garrop

2:40 p.m. - W7 Zed

University of Texas at Austin, Butler School of Music, Austin, Texas

> Connor O'Toole, 27, Soprano Saxophone Jacob Feldman, 23, Alto Saxophone

Marina Sakellakis, 26, Tenor Saxophone David Bennette, 21. Baritone Saxophone Danse (Tarantelle styrienne) (1903) . . . Claude Debussy/arr. Feldman Andante et Scherzo (1938)......Eugène Bozza Andante Ι. II. Scherzo Quatour de Saxophones (2002).....Jun Nagao Perdre Chercher II. III. Aspirer IV. Trouver I. Andante II. G. L. in memoriam III. Pensoso, con sobrio espressione * Night Music (2014).....Emma O'Halloran Mother's Monster Beggar's Lace 3:05 p.m. - W8 PULSE Michigan State University, East Lansing, Michigan Zachary Costello, 21, Soprano Saxophone Spencer Cox, 21, Alto Saxophone Owen Robinson, 22, Tenor Saxophone Michael Ethier, 22, Baritone Saxophone

* Converging Spectrums (2018) Kevin Day

Aus Holbergs Zeit (1884) Edvard Grieg/arr. Julian Velasco

- I. Praelude
- II. Sarabande
- III. Gavotte
- IV. Air
- Diagnolog

v. Rigaudon
* Danzón no. 5: Portales de Madrugada (1997) Arturo Márquez
* Doublethink (2015)
Crisantemi (1890)
* Night Music (2014)
Prodigal Child (2004) John Fitz Rogers
* Z (4430) (2014)

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4:25 p.m. - W11 Voyager Reed Quintet

Rutgers University, New Brunswick, New Jersey Stony Brook University, Stony Brook, New York

3:30 p.m. – W9 Panacea Reed Quintet

Lynn Conservatory of Music, Boca Raton, Florida

Kari Jenks, 24, Oboe Noah Suarez. 19. Clarinet

Megan Wojtyla, 24, Oboe Kyle Mechmet, 33, Saxophone Nikhil Bartolomeo, 29, Clarinet Nataniel Farrar, 25, Clarinet Jarod Apple, 28, Saxophone Graydon Howard, 23, Bassoon Miguel Posadas, 28, Bassoon Timothy Hanley, 29, Bass Clarinet Quintet in C minor, KV 406 (1787)Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart/arr. Eduard Wesly * Five Flying Dutchmen (2012) Kinan Azmeh I. Allegro II. Andante Etude No. 6 (1994)..... Philip Glass/arr. Bartolomeo III. Menuetto IV. Allegro * Piano Sonata in E minor (1932)Florence Price/arr. Althuis & Bartolomeo Die Hebriden Op. 26 (1830) I. Andante – Allegro Felix Mendelssohn-Bartholdy/arr. Jelte Althuis II. Andante III. Scherzo March (1964)......Ton ter Doest * Homage to Paradise Valley (2019) Jeff Scott Splinter (2014) Marc Mellits I. Ghosts of Black Bottom I. Scarlet Oak II. Hastings Street Blues II. Sugar Maple III. Roho, Pumzika kwa Amani (Spirits, Rest Peacefully) III. Linden IV. Paradise Theater Jump! IV. Black Ash V. Cherry VI. River Birch VII. Weeping Willow 4:50 p.m. - W12 Onda Sonora VIII. Red Pine University of Oklahoma, Norman, Oklahoma * Fantasy "Journey to the West" (2023) Rvota Ishikawa Ethan Roberts, 22, Soprano Saxophone Zach Mathews, 21, Alto Saxophone Kevin Barton, 21, Tenor Saxophone 4:00 p.m. - W10 Garden State Quintet Joshua Mithuen, 21, Baritone Saxophone Rutgers University, New Brunswick, New Jersey Arrival of Queen Sheba (1748) Suzanne Francis, 26, Flute George Frideric Handel/arr. Fourmeau Tyler Agustin Selvig, 27, Oboe Tanner Age, 27, Clarinet Partita No. 2, Chaconne (ca. 1720) Will Sizemore, 24, HornJohann Sebastian Bach/arr. Ito Yasuhide Jonathan LiVolsi, 32, Bassoon Worthless (2018) Jeff Loeffert The Terror of Death Allegro marziale – Piu mosso I. A General View of Mental Illness II. Andante - Meno moto Who is the Heroic Individual? III. Allegro Elegy: A Cry from the Grave (2015)..... Carlos Oliver Simon, Jr. * Quinteto (em forma de chôros) (1928)..... Heitor Villa-Lobos * Feng (1999)......Chen Yi Mother's Monster Introduction Beggar's Lace Rondo Memory (from Nepomuk's Dances) (2002)Marcelo Zarvos/arr. Mackie I. Allegro con moto II. Andante You've been talking in your sleep (2010)...... David Biedenbender III. Vivace

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11:50 a.m. - S1 Trio Sponte

New England Conservatory, Boston, Massachusetts

Nick Hammel, 23, Violin Stephanie Yang, 23, Cello Charles Berofsky, 23, Piano

Piano Trio in E-flat Major, Op. 1, No. 1 (1795) . . Ludwig van Beethoven

- Allegro
- II. Adagio cantabile
- III. Scherzo: Allegro assai
- IV. Finale: Presto
- * Space Jump for Violin, Cello, and Piano, Op. 46 (2013)....Fazıl Say
 - Andantino meditativo
 - II. Allegro maestoso
 - III. Maestoso

Piano Trio No. 2 in C minor, Op. 66 (1845) Felix Mendelssohn

- I. Allegro energico e con fuoco
- II. Andante espressivo
- III. Scherzo: Molto allegro quasi presto
- IV. Finale: Allegro appassionato

12:15 p.m. – S2 Erinys Quartet

Curtis Institute of Music, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Elizabeth Stewart, 28, Violin Joosep Reimaa, 24, Violin Marija Räisänen, 25, Viola Stergios Theodoridis, 32, Cello

String Quartet No. 2 "Intimate Letters" (1928) Leoš Janáček

- Andante Con moto Allegro
- II. Adagio Vivace
- III. Moderato Andante Adagio
- IV. Allegro Andante Adagio

String Quartet in F Major, Op. 50, No. 5 (1786). . Franz Joseph Haydn

- I. Allegro moderato
- II. Poco adagio
- III. Tempo di Menuetto: Allegretto
- IV. Vivace

12:40 p.m. - S3 Rosetta String Quartet

Butler School of Music at the University of Texas at Austin, Austin, Texas

> Ben Kronk, 29, Violin Han Na Lee, 30, Violin Anahit Matevosyan, 32, Viola Tsz To Wong, 30, Cello

String Quartet in G Major, Op. 77, No. 1 (1802)..... Franz Joseph Haydn

- I. Allegro moderato
- II. Adagio
- III. Minuet. Presto
- IV. Finale. Presto

String Quartet in F minor, Op. 80 (1847).....Felix Mendelssohn

- I. Allegro vivace assai
- II. Allegro assai
- III. Adagio
- IV. Finale: Allegro molto

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Good Luck,

New England Conservatory Fischoff Competitors!



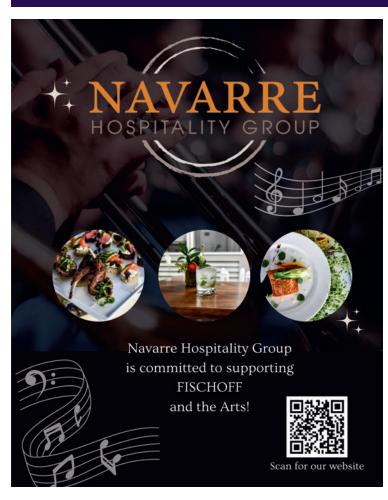
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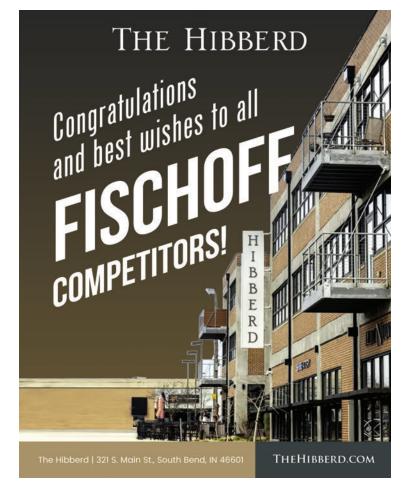


Yi-Mei Templeman '22, '23 GD, '24 MM Cello Grant Houston '20, '23 MM, '24 GD Violin Andrew Barnwell '20, '23 MM, '24 GD Piano



Stephanie Yi-l Yang '23, '25 MM Cello **Nicholas Hammel** '24 MM Violin Charles Berofsky '24 MM Piano





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1:10 p.m. - S4 Trio Eris

New England Conservatory, Boston, Massachusetts

K.J. McDonald, 26, Violin Annie SeEun Hyung, 23, Cello Andrew Jun Chen, 23, Piano

Piano Trio in G Major, Op. 1, No. 2 (1794/1795) . . Ludwig van Beethoven

- Adagio Allegro vivace
- II. Largo con espressione
- III. Scherzo. Allegro
- IV. Finale Presto

Piano Trio No. 2 in C minor, Op. 66 (1845)..... Felix Mendelssohn

- I. Allegro energico e con fuoco
- II. Andante espressivo
- III. Scherzo. Molto allegro, quasi Presto
- IV. Finale. Allegro appassionato
- * Saans (Breath) for Piano Trio (2017)...... Reena Esmail

1:35 p.m. - S5 Trio Riso

The Shepherd School of Music at Rice University, Houston, Texas

> Kayleigh Kim, 19, Violin Sebastian Berofsky, 21, Cello Jude Giddens, 20, Piano

Piano Trio in E-flat Major, Op. 70, No. 2 (1808) . . Ludwig van Beethoven

- Poco sostenuto Allegro ma non troppo
- II. Allegretto
- III. Allegretto ma non troppo
- IV. Finale. Allegro

* Four Folk Songs for Piano Trio (2012)............Gabriela Lena Frank

- Canto para La María Angola
- II. Children's Dance
- III. Serenata
- IV. Chavín de Huantar

- I. Allegro ma non troppo
- II. Allegretto grazioso
- III. Poco Adagio
- IV. Finale. Allegro con brio

2:00 p.m. - S6 Forst Quartet

Northwestern University, Bienen School of Music, Evanston, Illinois

> Joel Kang, 21, Violin Brian Zhan, 22, Violin Sanford Whatley, 21, Viola Sarah Chong, 22, Cello

String Quartet in A minor, Op. 51, No. 2 (1873).....Johannes Brahms

- Allegro non troppo
- II. Andante moderato
- III. Quasi Minuetto, moderato
- IV. Finale. Allegro non assai
- * String Quartet No. 1 (1946) George Walker
 - Allegro
 - II. Molto adagio
 - III. Allegro con fuoco

String Quartet in C minor, Op. 18, No. 4 (1800) Ludwig van Beethoven

- I. Allegro ma non tanto
- II. Scherzo. Andante scherzoso quasi allegretto
- III. Minuetto. Allegretto
- IV. Allegro

5:30 p.m. - S7 Hesper Quartet

Stony Brook University, Stony Brook, New York

Juilliard School, New York, New York Sojeong Kim, 32, Violin Ye jin Yoon, 28, Violin SoHui Yun, 28, Viola Connor Kim, 27, Cello

* "Het Lam Gods" for string quartet (2005)......Sophie Lacaze

String Quartet in D minor, D 810 "Death and the Maiden" (1824)

..... Franz Schubert

- Allearo
- II. Andante con moto
- III. Scherzo Allegro molto
- IV. Presto

String Quartet No. 3 (1927)...... Béla Bartók

- I. Prima parte. Moderato
- II. Seconda parte. Allegro Attacca: Recapitulazione della prima parte. Moderato
- III. Coda, Allegro molto







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5:55 p.m. – S8 Pneum Quartet

Indiana University Bloomington, Jacobs School of Music Kuttner String Quartet-in-Residence, Bloomington, Indiana

> Arthur Trælnes, 21, Violin Gabriel Fedak, 21 Violin Patrick Hayes, 24, Viola John Sample, 24, Cello

String Quartet in F Major, Op. 135 (1826) Ludwig van Beethoven

- I. Allegretto
- II. Vivace
- III. Lento assai, cantante e tranquillo
- IV. Grave, ma non troppo tratto Allegro

String Quartet No. 2 in F Major, Op. 92 (1941) Sergei Prokofiev

- I. Allegro sostenuto
- II. Adagio
- III. Allegro

* The Little Things (2023) Kian Ravaei

- I. I'll Tell You How The Sun Rose
- II. High from the Earth I Heard A Bird
- III. Two Butterflies Went Out at Noon
- IV. A Narrow Fellow in the Grass
- V. The Moon Was But a Chin of Gold
- VI. A Spider Sewed at Night
- VII. If I Can Stop One Heart From Breaking

6:20 p.m. - S9 Arancia Quartet

Los Angeles, California

Yaeri Choi, 34, Violin Chandler Sarah Yu, 28, Violin ShiYoung Choi, 28, Viola Youna Choi, 31, Cello

String Quartet in E-flat Major, Op. 20, No. 1 (1772)... Franz Joseph Haydn

- I. Allegro Moderato
- II. Menuet un poco allegretto
- III. Affettuoso e sostenuto
- IV. Presto

Officium Breve in Memoriam Andreae Szervánszky, Op. 28 (1989)

..... György Kurtág

- I. Largo
- II. Più andante
- III. Sostenuto, quasi giusto
- IV. Grave, molto sostenuto
- V. Presto
- VI. Molto agitato
- VII. Sehr fliessend
- VIII. Lento
- IX. Largo
- X. Sehr fliessend
- XI. Sostenuto
- XII. Sostenuto, quasi giusto
- XIII. Sostenuto, con slancio
- XIV. Disperato, vivo
- XV. Arioso interrotto

String Quartet in F minor, Op. 95 (1810).....Ludwig van Beethoven

- I. Allegro con brio
- II. Allegretto ma non troppo, attacca subito
- III. Allegro assai vivace ma serioso
- IV. Larghetto espressivo
- * Carrot Revolution for String Quartet (2015)Gabriella Smith

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6:50 p.m. - S10 MILA Quartet

Tianjin Juilliard School, Tianjin, China Ke Karl Zhu, 30, Violin Huan Ci, 29, Violin Zhangjuan Liu, 28, Viola

Xinyang Lyu, 28, Cello

String Quartet No. 4 (1928) Béla Bartók

- Allegro
- II. Prestissimo, con sordino
- III. Non troppo lento
- IV. Allegretto pizzicato
- ٧. Allegro molto

String Quartet in E minor, Op. 59, No. 2 (1806)....Ludwig van Beethoven

- I. Allegro
- II. Molto Adagio
- III. Allegretto
- IV. Finale: Presto

7:15 p.m. - S11 Trio Menil

Houston, Texas

Jeongwon Claire An, 25, Violin David Dietz, 27, Cello Jonathan Mak, 26, Piano

* Fresh Post (2022)...... Nicky Sohn

Piano Trio No. 2 in C minor, Op. 66 (1845) Felix Mendelssohn

- Allegro energico e con fuoco
- II. Andante espressivo
- III. Scherzo. Molto allegro, quasi Presto
- IV. Finale. Allegro appassionato

Piano Trio No. 44 in E Major, Hob. XV:28 (1797) . . . Franz Joseph Haydn

- Allegro moderato
- II. Allegretto
- III. Finale. Allegro

- Moderato
- II. TSIAJ. Presto
- III. Moderato con moto

7:40 p.m. - S12 Trio Azura

Colburn Conservatory School of Music, Los Angeles, California

> Duncan McDougall, 21, Violin Yejin Hong, 27, Cello Yanfeng (Tony) Bai, 25, Piano

* Piano Trio No. 1 (2003)......Jennifer Higdon

- Pale Yellow l.
- II. Fiery Red

- Allegro ma non troppo
- II. Allegretto grazioso Meno mosso
- III. Poco adagio
- IV. Finale. Allegro con brio

Trio élégiaque No. 1 in G minor (1892)Sergei Rachmaninoff Lento lugubre

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Emilia Romagna Festival of Italy

In 2001, The Fischoff embarked on a partnership with the Emilia Romagna Festival of Italy. Each year, The Fischoff sends its Grand Prize winner to the festival one year following their win. We are delighted that Poiesis Quartet, our 2023 Grand Prize Winner, will be performing this summer. The Emilia Romagna Festival arranges approximately four to six concerts each summer, hosted in hilltop villages and small towns throughout the Emilia Romagna region. The Festival also provides each ensemble with housing, transportation, and performance opportunities in historic villas, castles, village chapels, city churches, and even an ancient farm courtyard.



Terra String Quartet 2022 Grand Prize winner Performed in 2023

"Many thanks to Fischoff National Chamber Music Association and the Emilia Romagna Festival for making this tour possible. We loved each and every experience we had in Italy and can't wait to be back!"



Risus Quartet
2021 Grand Prize winner
Performed in 2022
"We had a great time in Italy. Thank you, Fischoff!"



Aruna Quartet 2019 Grand Prize winner

Was unfortunately unable to perform at the Emilia Romagna Festival in 2021 due to the ongoing coronavirus pandemic.



Callisto Quartet
2018 Grand Prize winner
Performed in 2019

"Here is a picture of us at the abbey where musical notation was invented—our minds were blown to be able to see such a historic place and to play there."

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History of The Fischoff Winners

SENIOR DIVISIONS

Grand	Prize (Grand Prize created in 1987)	2011	Calidore String Quartet, Los Angeles, CA	1998	Avalon Quartet
2023	Poiesis Quartet, Oberlin, OH	2010	Old City String Quartet, Philadelphia, PA	1997	Elm City Ensemble
2022	Terra String Quartet, New York, NY	2009	Linden String Quartet, Cleveland, OH	1996	Miró String Quartet
2021	Risus Quartet, Seoul, South Korea	2008	The N-E-W Trio, New York, NY	1995	Zephyros Wind Quintet
2020	Grand Prize not awarded (virtual competition)	2007	Prima Trio, Oberlin, OH	1994	The Arianna String Quartet
2019	Aruna Quartet, Lubbock, TX	2006	Ariel Quartet, Boston, MA	1993	Amernet String Quartet
2018	Callisto Quartet, Cleveland, OH	2005	Lloyd Carr-Harris String Quartet, Montréal, Québec	1992	North Coast Trio
2017	Milton String Quartet, Montréal, Québec	2004	Jupiter String Quartet, Boston, MA	1991	Griffon String Quartet
2016	Ulysses Quartet, New York, NY	2003	verklärte quartet, Cleveland, OH	1990	Trio Wanderer
2015	Zorá String Quartet, Bloomington, IN	2002	Quintet Attacca, Chicago, IL	1989	Miami String Quartet
2014	Telegraph Quartet, San Francisco, CA	2001	ninth circle saxophone quartet, Ann Arbor, MI	1988	Lafayette String Quartet
2013	Omer Quartet, Cleveland, OH	2000	Fry Street Quartet, Hickory, NC	1987	Harrington String Quartet
2012	Barkada Quartet, Bloomington, IN	1999	Corigliano String Quartet		

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String Gold Medal		
2023	Poiesis Quartet, Oberlin, OH	
2022	Terra String Quartet, New York, NY	
2021	Risus Quartet, Austin, TX	
2020	Balourdet String Quartet, Houston, TX	
2019	Merz Trio, Boston, MA	
2018	Callisto Quartet, Cleveland, OH	
2017	Milton String Quartet, Montréal, Québec	
2016	Ulysses Quartet, New York, NY	
2015	Zorá String Quartet, Bloomington, IN	
2014	Telegraph Quartet, San Francisco, CA	
2013	Omer Quartet, Cleveland, OH	
2012	Tesla Quartet, Boulder, CO	
2011	Calidore String Quartet, Los Angeles, CA	
2010	Old City String Quartet, Philadelphia PA	
2009	Linden String Quartet, Cleveland, OH	
2008	The N-E-W Trio, New York, NY	
2007	Prima Trio, Oberlin, OH	
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2004	Jupiter String Quartet, Boston, MA	
2003	verklärte quartet, Cleveland, OH	
2002	Chiara String Quartet, Grand Forks, ND	
2001	Eusia String Quartet, Chicago, IL	
2000	Fry Street Quartet, Hickory, NC	
1999	Corigliano String Quartet	
1998	Avalon String Quartet	
1997	Elm City Ensemble	
1996	Miró String Quartet	
1995	Sausalito String Quartet	
1994	Arianna String Quartet	
1993	Amernet String Quartet	
1992	North Coast Trio	
1991	Griffon String Quartet	
1990	Trio Wanderer	
1989	Miami String Quartet	
1988	Lafayette String Quartet	
1987	Harrington String Quartet	
1982	Ridge String Quartet	

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2023	Quartet Luminera, Boston, MA
2022	Trio Ondata, New Haven, CT
2021	Galvin Cello Quartet, Evanston, IL
2020	Trío Rouge, Austin, TX
2019	Abeo Quartet, New York, NY
2018	Viano String Quartet, Los Angeles, CA
2017	Notos Quartet, Berlin, Germany
2016	Trio Zadig, Paris, France
2015	Calla Quartet, Los Angeles, CA
2014	Altius Quartet, Dallas, TX
2013	Wasmuth String Quartet, Bloomington, IN
2012	Trio mod3tre, Boston, MA
2011	Aeolus Quartet, Austin, TX
2010	Chimeng Quartet, Annandale-on-Hudson, NY
2009	Jasper String Quartet, New Haven, CT
2008	Jasper String Quartet, Houston, TX
2007	Klimt Trio, Cleveland, OH
2006	Kailas String Quartet, Houston, TX
2005	Kashii String Quartet, Cleveland, OH
2004	Calder Quartet, Los Angeles, CA
2003	Enső String Quartet, Houston, TX
2002	Xanadu Trio, New York, NY
2001	Biava String Quartet, Cleveland, OH
2000	New England Conservatory Honors String Qrt., Boston, MA
1999	Basmati String Quartet
1998	Coolidge String Quartet
1997	Lipatti String Quartet
1996	Montagnana String Quartet
1995	Anacapa String Quartet
1994	Plymouth String Quartet
1993	Assai String Quartet
1992	Rackham String Quartet
1991	Stony Brook Graduate Trio
1990	Rosalyra Quartet
1989	Aureole Trio
1988	Augustine Quartet
1007	Lafavotto String Quartot

String	Bronze Medal
2023	Amnis Piano Quartet, New Haven, CT
2022	Pelia String Quartet, Stony Brook, NY
2021	Rucheri Trio, New Haven, CT
2021	Trio Rai, Boston, MA
2020	Quantum Clarinet Trio, Paris, France
2019	Dior Quartet, Bloomington, IN
2018	Thalea String Quartet, San Francisco, CA
2017	Ivani Quartet, Boston, MA
2016	Callisto Piano Trio, Los Angeles, CA
2015	Autana Trio, Cleveland, OH
2014	Evita Quartet, Ann Arbor, MI
2013	Trio Concorde, Boston, MA
2012	Ariadne String Quartet, Cleveland, OH
2011	Persinger String Quartet, Los Angeles, CA
2010	Lysander Piano Trio, New York, NY
2009	Lorien Trio, New Haven, CT
2008	Saguaro Piano Trio, Los Angeles, CA
2007	Schulich String Quartet, Montréal, Québec
2006	Hyperion String Quartet, San Diego, CA
2005	Vinca String Quartet, Boulder, CO
2004	Rothko String Quartet, New York, NY
2003	The Harding Trio, Cleveland, OH
2002	Jung Trio, New Haven, CT
2001	Proteus 5, New York, NY
2000	Gotham Quartet, Rice University, Houston, TX
1999	In Flight 3
1998	Brutini String Quartet
1997	Avalon String Quartet
1996	Pacifica String Quartet
1995	Pacifica String Quartet
1994	Trio Selka
1993	Hawthorne String Quartet
1992	Catalina Trio
1991	Noc-Noc Quartet
1990	Westbrook String Quartet
1989	Powell String Quartet
1988	Aramis String Quartet
1987	(not published)
1002	(no prize supreded)





(no prize awarded)

1987 1982

Lafayette String Quartet Ambrogio Trio





Until 1987, the Senior Wind and String categories were not separated; wind and string ensembles competed against each other for the top prizes. Following is a list of winners, which will include both wind and string ensembles. Note: 1982 was an isolated year in which the two categories were separated.

Gold	Medal
1986	Cassa

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1986	Cassatt String Quartet, New York, NY	
1985	Asbury Brass Quintet, Evanston, IL	
1984	Meliora Quartet, Rochester, NY	
1983	Casella Quartet, Rochester, NY	
1982	(See String/Wind prize list)	

Curtis String Quartet, Philadelphia, PA Vaener String Trio, Boston, MA 1981 1980 1979 Taylor String Quartet, Berrien Springs, MI

Silver Medal		
1986	Cavani String Quartet	
1985	Chamber Arts Quartet	
1984	BU Honors Wind Quintet	
1983	Ambrogio Trio	
1982	(See String/Wind prize list)	
1981	Landreth Quartet	
1980	Martinu Piano Quartet	
1979	Csardas Quartet	

Cerus Quartet, Ann Arbor, MI

Bronze Medal

1986	Quintessence
1985	Franciscan Quartet
1984	Stony Brook Trio
1983	New Mode Trio
1979-10	982 (no prize awarded)

Wind Gold Modal

Wind Gold Medal		
2023	Kodachrome, Tempe, AZ	
2022	Mixed Media, Athens, GA	
2021	Aero Quartet, Ann Arbor, MI	
2020	Colere Quartet, Iowa City, IA	
2019	Aruna Quartet, Lubbock, TX	
2018	Donald Sinta Quartet, Ann Arbor, MI	
2017	Fuego Quartet, Rochester, NY	
2016	WindSync, Houston, TX	
2015	Mirasol Quartet, Lubbock, TX	
2014	Akropolis Reed Quintet, Ann Arbor, MI	
2013	Project Fusion, Rochester, NY	
2012	Barkada Quartet, Bloomington, IN	
2011	The City of Tomorrow, Evanston, IL	
2010	Angeles Saxophone Quartet, Los Angeles, CA	
2009	Red Line Sax Quartet, Rochester, NY	
2008	Amethyst Quartet, Evanston, IL	
2007	H2 Quartet, East Lansing, MI	
2006	ViM, Rochester, NY	
2005	Blue Square Saxophone Quartet, Bowling Green, OH	
2004	Trio di Colore, Bloomington, IN	
2003	Arizona State University Saxophone Quartet, Tempe, AZ	
2002	Quintet Attacca, Chicago, IL	
2001	ninth circle saxophone quartet, Ann Arbor, MI	
2000	Lithium Saxophone Quartet, Bowling Green, OH	
1999	The Extension Ensemble	
1998	Catalyst (Sax Quartet)	
1997	Canterbury Brass	
1996	Eighth Blackbird	
1995	Zephyros Wind Quintet	
1994	Battell Quintet	
1993	Hanson Wind Quintet	
1992	Michigan State Sax Quartet	
1991	Black Swamp Sax Quartet	
1990	Interstate Brass	
1989	Taft Woodwind Quintet	
1988	MSU Grad. Sax Quartet	

Wind Silver Medal

2023

2023	Cerus Quartet, Ariii Arboi, Fii
2022	Sequoia Reed Quintet, Rochester, NY
2021	Eros Quartet, Ann Arbor, MI
2020	helíos_, Tempe, AZ
2019	Khroma Quartet, Urbana-Champaign, IL
2018	Vanguard Reed Quintet, Ann Arbor, MI
2017	~Nois, Evanston, IL
2016	QuinTexas, Austin, TX
2015	Kenari Quartet, Bloomington, IN
2014	Echo Saxophone Quartet, East Lansing, MI
2013	Kenari Quartet, Bloomington, IN
2012	Akropolis Quintet, Ann Arbor, MI
2011	Blue Static Saxophone Quartet, Houston, TX
2010	Axius Saxophone Quartet, Iowa City, IA
2009	Yersinia Saxophone Quartet, Ann Arbor, MI
2008	Trio Destino, Houston, TX
2007	Sospiro Winds, New Haven, CT
2006	Arundo Winds Quintet, Boulder, CO
2005	Intrada Winds, New Haven, CT
2004	Scarborough Trio, New York, NY
2003	Triton Brass Quintet, Boston, MA
2002	Syrinx Saxophone Quartet, Evanston, IL
2001	Red Onion Saxophone Quartet, Urbana-Champaign, IL
2000	Vento Chiaro, Longy School of Music, Cambridge, MA
1999	Juniper Quintet
1998	Metropolis Trombones
1997	National Saxophone Quartet
1996	Four Corners Sax Quartet
1995	N. Illinois Sax Quartet
1994	Palo Verde Brass Work
1993	Cardinal Brass Quintet
1992	Manhattan Brass
1991	Helios
1990	Resounding Wind
1989	PRISM Quartet
1988	Saturday Brass

Wind Bronze Medal		
2023	IGNIS, College Park, MD	
2022	Sonarsix Sextet, Los Angeles, CA	
2021	Soma Quartet, Bloomington, IN	
2020	Scio Quartet, Rochester, NY	
2019	Catharsis Winds, Cleveland, OH	
2018	Tangent Winds, New York, NY	
2017	Eos Sextet, Tempe, AZ	
2016	Lineage Percussion, Athens, GA	
2015	Prismatics Woodwind Quintet, Houston, TX	
2014	Lincoln Chamber Brass, Chicago, IL	
2013	The Midic Winds, Rochester, NY	
2012	Noctua Wind Quintet, Houston, TX	
2011	Arundo Donax, Bloomington, IN	
2010	Axiom Brass, Chicago, IL	
2009	The Flatirons Brass Quintet, Boulder, CO	
2008	Areon Flutes, San Jose, CA	
2007	Bay State Brass, Boston, MA	
2006	Element Saxophone Quartet, Mystic, CT	
2005	Twelve-Ten Saxophone Quartet, Ann Arbor, MI	
2004	Third Rail Saxophone Quartet, Mystic, CT	
2003	The Taliesin Trio, Ann Arbor, MI	
2002	A Few Good Reeds, Indiana, PA	
2001	BALA, Boston, MA	
2000	Millennium Quartet, University of Illinois, Urbana, IL	
1999	Red Stick Saxophone Quartet	
1998	Arbor Trio	
1997	Enigma Saxophone Quartet	
1996	Quake City Camerata	
1995	Transcontinental Sax Quartet	
1994	Trio Selka-Kosower-Ohio	
1993	Palo Alto Brass Quintet	
1992	Hauson Wind Quintet	
1991	Southspoon Wind Quartet	
1990	Mercury Wind Quintet	
1989	Meliora Brass Quintet	
1988	Manhattan Wind Quintet	
1987	(not published)	
1986	Quintessence	
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Lift Every Voice Prize (Senior Division)

Texas Sax Quartet

Quintessential Brass

1987

1982

Awarded for best performance of a piece by a historically underrepresented composer in the chamber music world. In 2023, prizes were created for each Senior Division.

2023	Senior Wind: Sound Session, East Lansing, M
2023	Senior String: Poiesis Quartet, Oberlin, OH
2022	Segunia Reed Quintet Rochester NV

Horszowski Trio Prize for Piano Trio (New in 2023) Awarded to the top-ranked trio consisting of piano, violin & cello.

2023 Senior String: Trio Osceola, Coral Gables, FL Junior String: Nth Trio, Los Angeles, CA

American Brass Quintet Brass Ensemble Prize

Sponsored by the American Brass Quintet, this award honors the most outstanding brass ensemble in the Senior & Junior Wind Divisions. Until 2019, a single prize was awarded to the highest ranked Junior Division Wind ensemble.

Senior Division

1987

1982

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2023	Amo Brass, New Haven, CT		
2021	KamBrass Quintet, Luzern, Switzerland		
2020	Elm Street Brass, New Haven, CT		
2019	Volker Brass Quintet, Kansas City, MO		

(not published)

Cincinnati Trombone Quartet

1982

(no prize awarded)

Junior D	ivision
2023	The Bone Rangers, Chicago, IL
2022	Kruspe Quintet, St. Louis, MO
2021	Powerhouse Brass, Gaithersburg, MD
2020	The Bone Rangers, Chicago, IL
2019	The Bone Rangers, Chicago, IL
2018	Quid Nunc Saxophone Quartet, San Antonio, TX
2017	KGT Trio, Chicago, IL
2016	KGT, Chicago, IL
2015	Yumpadump Brass Trio, Chicago, IL
2014	Enigma Saxophone Quartet, Spring, TX
	2023 2022 2021 2020 2019 2018 2017 2016 2015

History of The Fischoff Winners

(prizes continued)

JUNIOR DIVISIONS

Until 2019, the Junior Wind and String categories were not separated.

String	Gold Medal	
2023	FaMa Quartet, Colchester, VT	
2022	Olive Trio, Los Angeles, CA	
2021	Aveta Trio, Burlingame, CA	
2020	Phillips Trio, Andover, MA	
2019	Fervida Trio, Burlingame, CA	

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2023	Incendio Saxophone Trio, Tinley Park, IL
2022	Plexus Quartet, Carrollton, TX
2021	Aurelian Quartet, Carrollton, TX
2020	Quantum Quartet, Carrollton, TX
2019	Golden Melody Saxophone Quartet, Beijing, China

Gold Medal		
2018	Kairos String Quartet, Evanston, IL	
2017	Quartet Bellezza, Highwood, IL	
2016	Quartet Diamant, Highwood, IL	
2015	Incendium Quartet, Los Angeles, CA	
2013	Quartet Fuoco, Highwood, IL	
2014	Quartet Lumière, Wilmette, IL	
2013	Quartet Stracciatella, Chicago, IL	
2012	Polaris Quartet, Cincinnati, OH	
2010	Quartet Danaë, Wilmette, IL	
2010	Aurelia String Quartet, Evanston, IL	
2009	Quartet Polaris, Evanston, IL	
2006	Vesta Trio. Madison. WI	
2007		
	Beat 3, Highwood, IL	
2005	Alisier Trio, Boston, MA	
2004	Rattan Trio, Highwood, IL	
2003	Ottava String Trio, Chicago, IL	
2002	Orion Piano Trio, Fort Sheridan, IL	
2001	LeConte Quartet	
2000	Capriccio Quartet	
1999	Fine Arts Trio	
1998	MYA String Quartet	
1997	Cumberland String Quartet	
1996	MYA String Quartet	
1995	Amaryllis String Quartet	
1994	Schon Musik	
1993	La Strada String Quartet	
1992	Lake Shore String Quartet	
1991	Greenfield String Quartet	
1990	Peabody Prep Piano Quartet	
1989	Phoenix Quartet	
1988	The Diller String Quartet	
1987	Cardinal Quartet	
1986	Music Center Youth Quartet	
1985	ASTEC Quartet	
1984	Rydell Quintet	
1983	Music Center Quartet	
1982	The String Quartet	
1981	Mendelssohn Piano Trio	
1980	Interlochen String Quartet	
1979	Rhee Gustavsson	
1978	(records unavailable)	
1977	John Adams High School String Quartet	
1976	Obiĉan Quintet, Kalamazoo, MI	

String Silver Medal 2023 Pelios String Quartet, Evanston, IL

2023	i chos string additet, Evanston, iE
2022	Sycamore Trio, Atlanta, GA
2021	Lumière Quartet, Cleveland, OH
2020	Dasani String Quartet, Evanston, IL
2019	Éclatante, Cincinnati, OH

Wind Silver Medal

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2023	Quid Nunc Saxophone Quartet, San Antonio, TX
2022	Incendio Saxophone Quartet, Tinley Park, IL
2021	Carmesí Quartet, Wolfforth, TX
2020	Traumerei, New York, NY
2019	Quantum Quartet, Carrollton, TX

Silver Medal		
2018	Razumovsky Quartet, Cleveland, OH	
2017	Astera String Quartet, Evanston, IL	
2016	Noctis Quartet, New York, NY	
2015	Trio Adonais, Boston, MA	
2014	Vox Quartet, Evanston, IL	
2013	Mazel Trio, Interlochen, MI	
2012	Y Trio, Interlochen, MI	
2011	Milo Quartet, Saint Louis, MO	
2010	Emerald Quartet, Wilmette, IL	
2009	Trio Coterie, Highwood, IL	
2008	Ridere Quartet, Evanston, IL	
2007	Newman Quartet, Philadelphia, PA	
2006	opus., Worthington, OH	
2005	AYM Piano Trio, Chicago, IL	
2004	Northway Quintet, New York, NY	
2003	Subito Trio, Chicago, IL	
2002	Vidancia Trio, Bethesda, MD	
2001	Versailles Piano Quintet	
2000	Harding Trio	
1999	T3	
1998	Waughtown Four Cello Quartet	
1997	Musika Trio	
1996	The Rose Trio	
1995	Amaranth Trio	
1994	Midwest Young Artists' Sextet	
1993	Casulana Quartet	
1992	Best Great Quartet	
1991	Lake Shore Piano Quartet	
1990	Thanatos String Quartet	
1989	The Robinson Trio	
1988	The Lorax String Quartet	
1987	Primier Trio	
1986	New School of Music Trio	
1985	LeJuMa Piano Trio	
1984	LeJuMa Piano Trio	
1983	Clay-LaSalle Trio	
1982	John Adams Quartet	

Brass Trio 1974–1980 (records unavailable)

String Bronze Medal

2023	Evie Quartet, Los Angeles, CA
2022	Peresson String Quartet, Evanston, I
2021	Chasqui Quartet, Bethesda, MD
2020	Arcturus Trio, San Francisco, CA
2019	Meraki Quartet, Berkeley, CA

Wind Bronze Medal

2023	Halcyon Saxophone Quartet, Houston, TX
2022	Dali Quartet, Keller, TX
2021	Quid Nunc Saxophone Quartet, San Antonio, TX
2020	The Purple Hippopotami Flute Quartet, Chicago, IL
2019	The Bone Rangers, Chicago, IL

Bronze Medal

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2018	Geneva String Quartet, Worthington, OH
2017	Aurielle Quartet, Los Angeles, CA
2016	Vibrante String Quartet, Evanston, IL
2015	Alegrar Quartet, Oslo, Norway
2014	Quartet Firenze, Los Angeles, CA
2013	Quartet Morina, Highwood, IL
2012	Quartet Ardella, Chicago, IL
2011	Tropical Quartet, Boston, MA
2010	Foråret Quartet, Boston, MA
2009	Quartet Danaë, Evanston, IL
2008	Aurelia String Quartet, Evanston, IL
2007	Attacca Quartet, Boston, MA
2006	Alethea String Quartet, Highwood, IL/Madison, WI
2005	BAM Quartet, Chicago, IL
2004	Pandora's Trio, Chicago, IL
2003	LeMonde Trio, Interlochen, MI
2002	Ivory Winds, Chicago, IL
2001	Trio Una Corda
2000	Karma Quartet
1999	Biava Quartet
1998	Firebird Quartet
1997	MYA Chonky String Quartet
1996	The Fidelius Trio
1995	Russian Quartet
1994	Interlochen String Quartet
1993	Sigma
1992	Die Furellum Quartet
1991	The Thorne Trio
1990	The Thorne Trio (first year Bronze Medal awarded)

Honorable Mention

Honorabic Hendron						
2017	Geneva String Quartet, Worthington, Ol					
2015	Isolde Quartet, Boston, MA					
2015	Atara String Quartet, Chicago, IL					
2014	Snitzer Quartet, Philadelphia, PA					
2012	Pallas Trio					
2012	Contrapunctus String Quartet					
2006	Neptune Trio					
2001	Tre Cellesti					
2001	Favrile Piano Quartet					
1998	Sirens Saxophone Quartet					
1998	Florestan Trio					
1998	Rosalie Weinstein Woodwind Quintet					
1998	Picasso String Quartet					

Blakemore Trio

Geoffroy Prize

1974–1975 (records unavailable)

Kenneth Geoffroy was an originator of ideas and activities in the arts in Michiana. He became Coordinator of Fine Arts for the South Bend Community School Corporation, a position he held until his death in 1982. The Geoffroy Prize is awarded to the highest ranking junior ensemble from the Michiana region.

2023	Basil Quartet	2013	String Theory	2003	Hawthorne String Quartet	1995	Fuhring Trio (piano trio)
2022	Lexingham Piano Trio	2012	Trio Veliero	2002	High Strung (string quartet)	1994	Suzuki Talent Education
2021	Penn Brass Quintet (winds)	2011	LaForza Quartet	2001	One Accord (harp trio)		of Michiana String Quartet
	CMG Trio (strings)	2010	LaForza Quartet	2000	South Bend Youth Symphony	1993	(records unavailable)
2020	Dunamis Quartet	2009	Silver Strings		Woodwind Quintet	1992	Brio Brass Quintet
2019	Du Lac Piano Trio	2008	Zenith Quartet	1999	South Bend Youth Symphony	1991	no award given
2018	Du Lac String Trio	2007	Pluto Trio		Woodwind Quintet	1990	Sobeyosy Cesele
2017	Big String Theory	2006	South Bend Youth Symphony	1998	Floyd (piano trio)	1989	Olympia String Quartet
2016	Front Street Quartet		String Quartet	1997	South Bend Youth Symphony	1988	Newbury String Quartet
2015	Front Street Quartet	2005	Four Star Quartet		Woodwind Quintet	1987	(records unavailable)
2014	Kadence Quartet	2004	Hawthorne String Quartet	1996	Fuhring Trio (piano trio)	1986	Clay High Brass Quintet



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The Fischoff Winter Gala

In January 2024, the Fischoff National Chamber Music Association held a Winter Gala to celebrate chamber music. The event featured exquisite food, a live auction, and a performance by the Cerus Quartet, last year's silver medalists in the Senior Winds division. The gala was hosted by Jennifer Copeland, news anchor for ABC57. During the event, a toast was raised to honor the local communities of South Bend, Elkhart, and the surrounding areas for their dedication to classical music. The event also recognized the long-standing support and friendship of the renowned sculptor, Tuck Langland, who is the creator of the Fischoff Grand Prize medal. Honorary chair Kevin Kwan Loucks and artistic director Tom Rosenberg were among the speakers. Additionally, the hard work of Fischoff's staff, board members, and sponsors was recognized. The proceeds from the event supported the annual Fischoff competition and educational programs.

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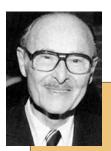
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FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
SCOTT CAMPBELL

Dear Competitors and Audience Members,

It is with great pleasure that I welcome you to The Fischoff, the nation's most prestigious and longest-running chamber music competition. We are delighted to have you join us for this year's event, which promises to be a remarkable celebration of talent and artistry.

Since its inception, the Fischoff National Chamber Music Association has been dedicated to promoting and fostering the appreciation of chamber music. Our competition provides a

platform for young musicians from around the globe to showcase their exceptional abilities and passion for this unique genre.

Throughout the years, the Fischoff Competition has garnered a stellar reputation, attracting some of the most accomplished ensembles in the world. The level of musicianship demonstrated by these talented individuals continues to astound us, and we are truly honored to have them grace our stage.

Furthermore, our commitment to music education is an integral part of our mission. We partner with competition musicians during competition week and then alumni throughout the year to bring free and innovative programs directly to children in their own communities. By nurturing the next generation of musicians through these programs, we hope to inspire lifelong appreciation for music and the arts.

I would like to extend my heartfelt gratitude to all the competitors, audience members, volunteers, sponsors, board members, staff, and supporters who have made this event possible. Your dedication and enthusiasm fuel our efforts to create an exceptional experience for everyone involved.

Lastly, I encourage you to immerse yourselves in the world of chamber music throughout the competition. Engage with the performances, connect with fellow music enthusiasts, and embrace the transformative power of this extraordinary art form.

Thank you for being a part of the Fischoff Chamber Music Competition, and I wish you all a memorable and inspiring experience.

Sincerely,

Scott Campbell, DMA Executive Director





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June 10-14, 2024

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Poiesis Quartet, 2023 Grand Prize Winner, Emilia Romagna Festival, Italy

September 19-29, 2024

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