

CONCERT FESTIVAL ORCHESTRA

Violin I

Anton Polezhayev, *Concertmaster*
Dula Man
Alexandra Calabro
Charles Piemonte
Audrey Hayes

Violin II

Anna Heifetz, *Principal*
Dorothy Shorter
Tetyana Barbacena
Diana Barbacena

Viola

Tonya Bibashka, *Principal*
Sarah Ludwiczak

Cello

Jeong Yoon Park, *Principal*
Natalia Golebsky

Double Bass

James Myer

Flute

Leslie Strait

Oboe

Susan Mohny
Jennyfer Hood

Bassoon

Peter Landy

French Horn

Dean Miller
Megan Bastos

Keyboard

Yelena Polezhayev

The Concert Festival Orchestra consists of advanced students and professionals of exceptional talent.

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CONCERT FESTIVAL ORCHESTRA

Conductor Vladimir Polezhayev

SOLOISTS:

GRAND PRIX WINNERS

OF

CONCERTO COMPETITION 2015

Jack Silvers
Michelle Xuan
Yuri Taguchi
Malvyn Lai
Irene Vilgorin
Lorivert Cobo

THE AMSTERDAM AT HARBORSIDE

300 E Overlook, Port Washington, NY

Sunday, November 15, 2015 at 3 p.m.



Jack Silvers is 11 years old from Scarsdale, NY. He currently attends Scarsdale Middle School. Jack started playing the piano at age 7 and studies at the Westchester Conservatory of Music in White Plains under Dr. Irena Portenko. Jack took part in the American Fine Arts Festival in 2012 and 2013, performing Mozart's Sonata K. 283 at Dicapo Opera Hall in June 2012. Jack enjoys performing at school and in his community. He has performed at Classical Café at Edgewood Elementary School, and at numerous assisted living facilities. He especially enjoys entertaining his friends and family.



Michelle Xuan is 11 years old. She started playing piano when she was 5 years old and has now been playing for 5 years. She has studied piano with her teacher, Melody He, since she was 6 years old. She has played at Lincoln Center once and played at Carnegie Hall twice. She participated in NYSSMA level 6 in May 2015 and received a perfect score. Michelle also started playing the oboe in 2014. She currently attends the John F. Kennedy Intermediate School in New York as a 5th grader.



13 year-old Yuri Taguchi has won many awards, including the American Protégé, AADGT, and American Fine Arts Festival. She has performed at Carnegie Hall on numerous occasions. In 2013, Yuri participated in the AFAF Russian tour as a winner of a concerto competition. She performed Mozart - Concerto D minor with the Kostroma Symphony Orchestra. Yuri also participated in a master class at the Moscow Conservatory. In June 2014, Yuri gave her first solo recital at Faust Harrison Pianos in White Plains, NY and participated in a master class in Austria. Yuri has been studying piano since she was 6, beginning in her native Japan, then in the United States with Dr. Irena Portenko. She now resides in Berlin, Germany, where she continues her piano studies with Prof. Thomas Menrath, following her recent acceptance to the Julius Stern Institut of Berlin University of the Arts.



Malvyn Lai is 10 years old from California. He began lessons at age with Dr. Irina Bendetsky. He has performed six times at the Winners' Recital at Carnegie Hall, and was the youngest participant to perform at the International Piano Festival in Luxemburg 2014. Malvyn made his solo recital debut at the age of 9 and has been featured on FoxNews. As a Grand Prize Winner, Malvyn received several invitations to perform with an orchestra. He has performed with the Inland Valley Symphony, Kostroma Symphony Orchestra in Russia.



Irene Vilgorin is 15 years old, freshman at Fair Lawn High School. She started to take piano lessons at the age of 6 and since then has been studying with the same piano teacher, Rebecca (Rimma) Altshul. Irene sees the impact music makes and always willing to share her love of music with others. She performed at nursing homes, adult communities, veteran homes, Walter Engel Festival, Merkin Concert Hall, and Carnegie Hall. Apart from piano, Irene takes ballet lessons and loves sport - jogging, tennis and fencing. In her free time, Irene likes to play badminton, ride scooter, ripstik and read.



Lorivert Cobo, 16-year old, has been playing piano for about 9 years. At the age of 8, had his first ever performance at music festival in Pelham. His first teacher was Dr. Svetlana Gorokhovich, and he have been with her ever since. He started doing many piano competitions, such as Golden Key and Passion for Music, and won silver in the Passion for Music competition, Gold Medal at the Golden Key Music Festival. He played on multiple occasions at Carnegie Hall, for piano competitions and continue to compete against others in the piano world. He also achieved level 6 NYSSMA with a perfect score in grade 10, and currently he is a part of the Tri Honor Music Society at his school and the main piano accompanist for the Pelham Memorial High School Chamber and Concert Choruses.



PROGRAM



J.S. Bach _____ Concerto D minor BWV 1052

Soloist - Jack Silvers

Student of Dr. Irena Portenko

J. Haydn _____ Concerto D major Hob.XVIII:11, Mov. I

Soloist - Michelle Xuan

Student of Melody He

W.A. Mozart _____ Concerto #20 D minor, Mov. I

Soloist - Yuri Taguchi

Student of Dr. Irena Portenko & Prof. Thomas Menrath

W.A. Mozart _____ Concerto #20 D minor, Mov. III

Soloist - Malvyn Lai

Student of Dr. Irina Bendetsky

D. Shostakovich _____ Concertino Op. 94

Soloist - Irene Vilgorin

Student of Rimma Altshul

E. Grieg _____ Concerto, Mov. I

Soloist - Lorivert Cobo

Student of Dr. Svetlana Gorokhovich



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