

Orchestra

Violin I

Anton Polezhayev, *Concertmaster*
Catherine Colquhoun
Bradley Bosenbeck
Laura Giannini

Violin II

Noah Luft-Weissberg
Kornelia Radomska
Dorothy Shorter
Hyunju Ji

Viola

Sarah Ludwiczak
Tonya Bibashka

Cello

Jeong Yoon Park
Natalia Galebsky

Double Bass

Kageki Nagao
James Myer

Flute

Denis Savelyev
Cassandra Zipperlen

Oboe

Jennifer Hood
Valerie Sulzinski

Clarinet

Alexander Negruta
Naum Goldstein

Bassoon

Carrie Smelser
Taylor Smith

Horn

Amanda Tabor
Mike Sayre

Trumpet

Peter Auricchio

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**SOLOISTS:
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**ALSTON LEUNG
PHOEBE QIAN
MINA SARCEVIC
ADAM ZENG
SHERRY SHI
EMILY WU
JI HOON HAAM**

THE CHRIST CHURCH
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PROGRAM

Alston Leung _____ J.S. Bach - Piano Concerto F minor, Mov. I



Alston Leung is currently ten years old, began studying piano and violin at age 3 at Music Institute of Long Island. His piano instructor is Alla Bell and he has studied violin with Carol Kushner. At 5 yo, Alston won his first Grand Prix at the Concert Festival Competition on violin and was selected to perform at Weill Recital Hall at Carnegie Hall. Alston also won competitions on piano including Concert Festival International Competition, American Fine Arts Festival, Crescendo International Competition and Concert Festivals Russian Music Festival. He has performed four times on piano at Weill Recital Hall at Carnegie Hall. Since 2013, Alston has been part of E. M. Baker School of Great Neck "Advanced Orchestra" and Music Institute of Long Island's "Young Musicians' Ensemble". He also performed at Downtown Disney, Orlando, Florida. In 2017, Alston won Grand Prix playing in violin quartet as first violinist at the Concert Festival Competition and performed at Carnegie Hall. Alston is the piano accompanist for E. M. Baker School of Great Neck "Performing Orchestra".

Alston Leung has also given of his time to perform at hospitals and benefit concerts through the community since 2012. This is his second time performing with Concert Festival Orchestra.

Phoebe Qian _____ C. Saint-Saens - Cello Concerto A minor, Mov. I



Phoebe Qian had her first piano lesson at the age of 3. However, she had always wanted to play the cello. She started taking lessons with Agnes Nagy at iSchool of Music & Art when she turned 5. Phoebe's life is filled with music. Besides her weekly cello and jazz piano lessons, she is also a member of a cello ensemble, rock band and a jazz band. She was invited to attend the Casalmaggiore International Music Festival in Italy as one of the youngest cellist in 2015. She won the first prize of Forte International Competition that was held in Carnegie Hall in 2016. More recently, she returned to Carnegie Hall again to perform repertoire from The American Songbook as part of the house band. The styles of music included Jazz, Rock, Funk and Pop. Music is the center of Phoebe's life. Her favorite t-shirt says Music loves me. When asking about it, she would say "Because I love music back!" It sums up how much she enjoys music.

Mina Sarcevic _____ J.S. Bach - Piano Concerto D minor, Mov. I



Mina Sarcevic 16 yo, has been taking piano lessons since the age of 7 with her piano teacher, Nevart Zeronian. Mina performed at the Weill Recital Hall at Carnegie Hall as a winner of the 2010 Young Artists Piano Showcase Auditions, followed by Concert Festival Winners' Recitals at: the Rose Studio at Lincoln Center in 2011, the Baruch Performing Arts Center in 2012, and Peter Norton Symphony Space in 2013. She also performed solo with the Island Chamber Symphony Orchestra in 2012 and with the Concert Festival Orchestra in 2014. Mina performed at numerous annual concerts at Frank and Camille's School of Music. In addition to her piano career, Mina also plays the violin for her school orchestra.

Adam Zeng _____ D. Kabalevsky - Piano Concerto #3, Op.50 Mov. I



Adam Zeng is a 15 year old high school freshman who goes to Byram Hills High School in Armonk, New York. He has been playing piano for eight years, and his piano playing has really accelerated for the past 6 years under the instruction of Tatiana Goncharova. Adam enjoys playing dramatic pieces from great Russian composers such as Rachmaninov, Kabalevsky and Khatchatourian. In addition to playing piano, Adam has been playing the trumpet for five years. He competes in sailing during the summer and is on the high school debate team.

Sherry Shi _____ C. Reineke - Flute Concerto D major, Mov. I



Sherry Shi, 16, is currently a junior in Paul D. Schreiber High School. Sherry has been studying the flute since 5th Grade at the Music Institute of Long Island with Itey Lantner. She has received 100 on Level 6 NYSSMA ever since 7th Grade. Sherry joined the Concert Winds ensemble of the Gemini Youth Orchestra in 6th Grade and moved on to being the principal flutist of the Gemini Youth Symphony in 9th Grade. Recently winning the Gemini Youth Orchestra Concerto Competition on the Reinecke Flute Concerto, she will perform as a soloist with the GYO Symphony at the Adelphi Performing Arts center. Some of the other venues Sherry has performed at include Symphony Space, Alice Tully Hall of Lincoln Center, and Weill Recital Hall of Carnegie Hall. In addition to the flute, Sherry also enjoys playing the piano and performing with her chamber music group.

Emily Wu _____ W.A. Mozart - Piano Concerto #20 D minor, K. 466 Mov. I



Emily Wu, from West Chester, PA, started her piano study at the age of five with Mrs. Joy Kiszely at Main Line Conservatory of Music. At age 9, as American Fine Arts Festival Concerto Competition first place winner, she played piano concerto with the Kostroma Symphony Orchestra in Russia. She also had master class with professor Irina Plotnikova from the Moscow Conservatory of Music. In addition, Emily won second place in American Protégé International Piano and String Competition. In 2015, Emily won first place of the Young Pianist Competition of New Jersey. She was also the first place winner of Steinway Society of South Jersey for age group 8 years old. In the summer of 2015, Emily received scholarship as American Fine Arts Festival winner to have a summer music study in Weimar, Germany and performed in 3 concerts there. Emily has performed many times for Winner's Recitals at Carnegie Hall in the past few years. Besides piano, Emily also enjoys reading, math, drawing, singing, and playing violin.

Ji Hoon Haam _____ F. Mendelssohn - Violin Concerto E minor, Op.64 Mov. I



Born in Korea, violinist **Ji Hoon Haam** began playing at the late age of eleven. By studying under various gifted teachers, such as Miyoung Baek and his current teacher Yujeong Lee, Ji Hoon has overcome his lack of experience through extensive practice and has played in various venues such as Carnegie Hall with the New York Youth Symphony and the Vianden Festival located in Europe.

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