

GMTA

Georgia Music Teachers Association

2020 GMTA State Auditions Results

A total of 402 Students participated in 2020 GMTA State Auditions. The following categories were represented:

- Pre-College Piano, Grades 4-11 – 220 State Participants
- 12th Grade Piano – 24 Participants
- Pre-College Piano Concerto – 10 Participants
- College/Adult Piano – 25 Participants
- College Piano Concerto – 4 Participant
- Voice – 14 Participants
- Strings/Guitar – 27 Participants
- Woodwinds/Brass – 1 Participant
- Instrumental Concerto – 13 Participants

Congratulations to all students and teachers who participated in this year's Auditions!

*~Yien Wang / Vice President of GMTA Auditions
~Joy Poole / Pre-College State Coordinator*

PIANO DIVISION

GRADE 4

Ping-Yun Hsu, Chair

Award: Conference Recitalist

Cincy Zhou

Anne Sun

Atlanta

Award: 1st Alternate

Chengyl Shao

Ping Xu

Atlanta

Award: 2nd Alternate

Ethan Huo	Momoko Yamamoto	Cobb County
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Award: Outstanding Performer

Corrine Thorpe	Ping Xu	Atlanta
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Tyler Park	Jee Eun Wada	North Fulton
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Hannah Xu	Kelli Xu	North Fulton
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Award: Award of Excellence

Ella Chen	Grace Li	Greater Marietta
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Margaret Wang	Gayle Vann	North Dekalb
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Gracie Dong	Hsin-Lan Chien	Cobb County
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Chloe Lung	Hwee Boon Ng	Atlanta
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Stanley Wu	Anne Sun	Atlanta
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Nick Xu	Anne Sun	Atlanta
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Award: Honorable Mention

Helen Becker	Amy Quakenbush	Cherokee
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Annie Chen	Ping Xu	North Dekalb
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Melody Jin	Ping Xu	North Dekalb
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Reina Lee	Yoonmi Choi	Gwinnett County
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Elaine Han	Yoomni Choi	Gwinnett County
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Jiho An	Inyoung Hwang	Coweta-Fayette
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GRADE 5

Ping-Yun Hsu, Chair

Award: Conference Recitalist

Melvin Xu	Anne Sun	Atlanta
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Award: 1st Alternate

Alex Han	Junghee Lee	Gwinnett
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Award: 2nd Alternate

Sophia Yin	Hwee Boon Ng	Atlanta
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Award: Outstanding Performer

Tanya Dharwadkar	Renee Holliman	North Fulton
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Kangmin Choi	Gina Myung	North Fulton
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Alex Huang	Joseph Hokayem	Athens
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Gavin Joseph Poon	Hwee Boon Ng	Atlanta
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Alex Huang	Joseph Hokayem	Athens
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Award: Award of Excellence

Sophie Tong	Anne Sun	Atlanta
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Nelson Solon Liu	Hwee Boon Ng	Atlanta
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Ella Mo	Hwee Boon Ng	North Dekalb
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Matthew Wang	Huu Mai	Cobb County
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Bianca Virjoghe	Lois Finlay	North Dekalb
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Claire Moore	Lily Bowman	Cherokee
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Michelle Zhou	Ping Xu	North Dekalb
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Award: Honorable Mention

Eric Shu	Ping Xu	North Dekalb
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Mason Cao	Ping Xu	North Dekalb
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Jason Qian	Frances Yao	North Dekalb
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Lina Wang	Eric Clay	Coweta- Fayette
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Mitchell Kuang	Alexander Wasserman	Cobb County
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Tong Tong Liu	Yien Wang	Columbus
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Eva Chu	Hyangbun Choi	Augusta
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GRADE 6**Robin Engleman, NCTM Chair**

Award: Conference Recitalist

Ethan Nie	Ping Xu	Atlanta
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Award: 1st Alternate

Nathaniel Ko	Ping-Yun Hsu	Cobb County
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Award: Outstanding Performer

Michelle Feng	Ping Xu	Atlanta
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Sophia Burnet	Kathryn Dawai	Gwinnett
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Alicia Wang	Hwee Boon Ng	North Fulton
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Haejoon Oh	Anne Sun	Atlanta
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Award: Award of Excellence

Yilan Cheng	Jonathan Klein	Athens
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Rania Haque	Yien Wang	Columbus
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Sophia Madani	Fernando Ramos	Coweta-Fayette
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Eun Jae Julia Lee	Gina Myung	North Fulton
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Chase Choi	Min Kim	Decatur
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Hailey Culp	Ping Xu	North Dekalb
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Andrew Cheng	Ping-Yun Hsu	Cobb County
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Award: Honorable Mention

Claramae Parish	Clara Park	Augusta
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Jae Ren Yee	Raffi Besalyan	Atlanta
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Scarlett Liu	Hsin-Lan Chien	Cobb County
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Harry Kim	Yoonmi Choi	Gwinnett County
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Joey Pak	Young Choi	North Dekalb
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Edwin Tang	Ping Xu	North Dekalb
Samantha Lee	Ian Altman	Macon

GRADE 7

Robin Engleman, NCTM, Chair

Award: Conference Recitalist

Rachel Oh	Elena Cholakova	Atlanta
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Award: 1st Alternate

Aidan Pabis	Grace Huang	Athens
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Award: Outstanding Performer

Kaitlyn Chang	Ping-Yun Hsu	Cobb County
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Albert Zhang	Kelli Xu	North Fulton
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Nathan Liu	Joanna Kim	Gwinnett
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Ashley Si	Anne Sun	Atlanta
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Award: Award of Excellence

Lauren Kim	Anne Sun	Atlanta
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Hanze Zhang	Miao-Fen Lin	North Dekalb
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Austin Wu	Huu Mai	Cobb County
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Justin Hwang	Lois Finlay	North Dekalb
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Sophia Li	Ping Xu	Atlanta
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Ellie Yin	Ping Xu	North Dekalb
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Claire Jing	Ping Xu	North Dekalb
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Award: Honorable Mention

Ian Lee	Yoonmi Choi	Gwinnett
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Vedita Sawhney	Inna Satunovsky	Coweta-Fayette
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Sonia Knauff	Wendy Vann	North Dekalb
Elizabeth Perry	Diane Boyd	Savannah
Bochen Shen	Joseph Hokayem	Athens
Andrew Zhang	Joseph Hokayem	Athens
Ann Kim	Min Kim	Decatur

GRADE 8

Anne Sun, Chair

Award: Conference Recitalist

Erin Li	Alexander Wasserman	Cobb County
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Award: 1st Alternate

Ethan Liu	Joanna Kim	Gwinnett County
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Award: 2nd Alternate

Kimmie Bateman	Jonathan Klein	Athens
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Award: Outstanding Performer

Rayna Chang	Anne Sun	Atlanta
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Eric Xu	Miao-Fin Lin	North Dekalb
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Jiayl Lu	Yi-Fan Wu	North Fulton
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Allison Wang	Hwee Boon Ng	North Fulton
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Award: Award of Excellence

Alex Wa	Ping Xu	North Dekalb
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Julia Pearson	Ping Xu	Atlanta
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Annika Joshi	Yulia Soboleva	Gwinnett County
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Faye Lu	Yelena Faber	North Fulton
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Sophie Fang	Hsin-Lan Chien	Cobb County
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Hanny Wu	Mian-Fen Lin	North Dekalb
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Jerry Lu	Clara Park	Augusta
Award: Honorable Mention		
Zihan Lin	Yulia Soboleva	Gwinnett County
Rita Chen	Anne Sun	Atlanta
Sebastian Wu	Anne Sun	Atlanta
Preston Coutinho	Misty Amsbaugh	Cobb County
Natalie Ko	Huu Mai	Cobb County
Anna Nyugen	Ping Xu	North Dekalb
William Yin	Jonathan Klein	Athens

GRADE 9

Anne Sun, Chair

Award: Conference Recitalist

Ethan Liu	Alexander Wasserman	Cobb County
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Award: 1st Alternate

Jeffery Li	Clara Park	Augusta
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Award: 2nd Alternate

Isabella Lin	Frances Yao	North Dekalb
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Award: Outstanding Performer:

Paris Cai	Ping Xu	North Dekalb
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Jonathan Xue	Robert Henry	Cobb County
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Joline Tran	Hwee Boon Ng	Atlanta
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Susan Meng	Anne Sun	Atlanta
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Jeffery Li	Clara Park	Augusta
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Award: Award of Excellence

Eric Chang	Joseph Hokayen	Athens
Sameul Vaillancourt	Yien Wang	Columbus
Caroline Malcolm	Anne Sun	Atlanta
Ilya Bryantsev	Anne Sun	Atlanta
Spencer Mckee	Mary McKee	Savannah
William Li	Lois Finlay	North Dekalb
Phoebe Yoon	Junghee Lee	Gwinnett County

Award: Honorable Mention

Kelley Lu	Ping Xu	North Dekalb
Khumo Simelane	LuAnn Latzanich	North Dekalb
Jensi Perng	Hwee Boon Ng	North Fulton
Nico Brett	Robert Henry	Cobb County
Yelin Kim	Inyoung Choi	Coweta-Fayette
Christie Peng	Anne Sun	Atlanta
Sampan Ray Bhattacharyya	Yien Wang	Columbus
Maxwell Zhang	Nancy Elton	Atlanta

GRADE 10

Diane Boyd, NCTM, Chair

Award: Conference Recitalist

Anna Kim	Anne Sun	Atlanta
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Award: 1st Alternate

Grace Peng	David Fung	Athens
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Award: 2nd Alternate

Ethan Bernhard	Alexander Wasserman	Cobb County
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Award: Outstanding Performer

Margaret Wei	Ping Xu	North Dekalb
Shirley Chen	Hwee Boon Ng	North Fulton
Veronica Kogan	Elena Cholakova	Atlanta
Alex Min White	Hyangbin Choi	Augusta

Award: Award of Excellence

Andrew Bae	Grace Kim	North Fulton
Michelle Ho	Joanna Kim	Gwinnett County
Eric Kho	Wanda Hughes	Cherokee
Gavin Carr	Lois Finlay	North Dekalb
Jayden Chong	Lois Finlay	North Dekalb
Isaac Cheon	Aesook Moon	Columbus
Susan Jiang	Yien Wang	Columbus

Award: Honorable Mention

Jaden Lim	Clara Park	Augusta
Amy Zhou	Hyangbin Choi	Augusta
Paul Yi	Inyoung Choi	Coweta-Fayette
Dahyun Hong	Yoonmi Choi	Gwinnett County
Shivam Jain	Lois Finlay	North Dekalb
Fiona Guo	Ping Xu	North Dekalb
Daniel Pan	Ping Xu	Atlanta

GRADE 11

Diane Boyd, NCTM, Chair

Award: Conference Recitalist

Skyler Feng	Ping Xu	North Dekalb
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Award: 1st Alternate

Rajath Prabhakar	Alexander Wasserman	Cobb County
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Award: 2nd Alternate

Anna Hu	Lois Finlay	North Dekalb
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Award: Outstanding Performer

Sarah Lao	Anne Sun	Atlanta
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Nicholas Ge	Alexander Wasserman	Cobb County
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Ben Padgett	Jody Parish	Decatur
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Daniel Shen	Keli Xu	North Fulton
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Gus Spencer	Susan McDuffie	Macon
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Christian Lee	Ian Altman	Macon
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Award: Award of Excellence

Julia Raver	Momoko Yamamoto	Cobb County
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Jason Huang	Ping Xu	Atlanta
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Michelle Wu	Ping Xu	North Dekalb
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Christian Hui	Jean Mann	Gwinnett County
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Lilia Park	Renee Holliman	North Fulton
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Meghana Ramineni	Rie Hosoi	Gwinnett County
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Yasmin Sharifian	Huu Mai	Cobb County
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Ellen Daugherty	Alexander Wasserman	Cobb County
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Emily Zhao	Anne Sun	Atlanta
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Award: Honorable Mention

Aaron Dino	Judith Sepp	Golden Isles
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Jocelyn Lee	Yoonmi Choi	Atlanta
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Reeya Bazari	Jason Montague	South Metro Atlanta
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Aaron Wei	Miao-Fen Lin	North Dekalb
Carolyn Tran	Elinor Boyer	Cobb County
Stephanie Harter	Donna Dasher	Savannah
Sofia Hart	Junghee Lee	Gwinnett County
Abigail Ryan	Marissa Woodall	Cherokee
Joshua Jones	Ian Altman	Macon

GRADE 12

Yien Wang, Chair

Award: Senior Cash Award

Jason Guo	Elena Cholakova	Atlanta
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Award: 1st Alternate

Gabriella Kogan	Elena Cholakova	Atlanta
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Award: Award of Excellence

Annabel Shue	Lois Finlay	North Dekalb
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Aakash Joshi	Lois Finlay	North Dekalb
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Eric Hayashi	Hsin-Lan Chien	Cobb County
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Catherine Mi	Anne Sun	Atlanta
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Award: Honorable Mention

Tommy Lloyd	Donald Macey	Augusta
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Michelle Wang	Ping Xu	Atlanta
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Qilin Tong	Robert Henry	Cobb County
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Jovan Patrick	Rie Hosoi	Gwinnett County
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Jenny Chen	Miao-Fen Lin	North Dekalb
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Joy Meyers	You Ju Lee	Northeast Georgia
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Pre-College Concerto

Yien Wang, Chair

Award: Conference Recitalist

Anna Hu

Lois Finlay

North Dekalb

Award: 1st Alternate

Spencer McKee

Mary McKee

Savannah

Award: Award of Excellence

Gavin Carr

Lois Finlay

North Dekalb

Kyra Andrews

Gayle Vann

North Dekalb

Jayden Chong

Lois Finlay

North Dekalb

Award: Honorable Mention

Aidan Dealy

Gayle Vann

North Dekalb

Jane Lee

Gayle Vann

North Dekalb

Blake Dwelle

Huu Mai

Cobb County

College/Adult Piano

Yien Wang, Chair

Lower College

Jason Lin

Elena Cholakova

OP – Conference Recitalist

Sara Wang

Elena Cholakova

OP – 1st Alternate

Francis Peng

Elena Cholakova

OP – 2nd Alternate

Cameron Wood

Ian Altman

Award of Excellence

Nikki Vu

Ian Altman

Award of Excellence

Grace Li

Elena Cholakova

Award of Excellence

Jisu Yang

Elena Cholakova

Award of Excellence

Cade Wilson

Joanna Kim

Award of Excellence

Adam Payton

You Ju Lee

Honorable Mention

Middle College

Caleb Esmond	Ian Altman	OP – Conference Recitalist
Elizabeth Sun	Elena Cholakova	OP – 1 st Alternate
Dora Yuru Jin	Chenny Gan	Award of Excellence
Andrew Hughes	Robert Henry	Award of Excellence
Hannah Ramanou	Ian Altman	Honorable Mention
Thomas Connerley	Martha Thomas	Honorable Mention
Jesse Cook	Robert Henry	Honorable Mention

College Piano Concerto

Caleb Esmond
Ricky Moreira
Jane Jian Xu

Yien Wang, Chair

Ian Altman
Joanna Kim
Chenny Gan

OP – Cash Award
Award of Excellence
Honorable Mention

VOICE DIVISION

Voice

Patricia Callaway, Chair

Grade 9

Lia Mathews
Claire Wu
Sujana Vangala
Kennedy Coakley

Margaret Liu
Margaret Liu
Margaret Liu
Debra Hughes

OP – Conference Recitalist
OP – 1st Alternate
Honorable Mention
Honorable Mention

Grade 10

Andrew Boyacigiller
Geneva Harris

Huu Mai
Huu Mai

OP – Conference Recitalist
OP – 1st Alternate

Grade 11

Tanushka Sisodiya
Rebecca Menoni
Lindsey Dernavich

Margaret Liu
Lydia Walker
Lydia Walker

OP – Conference Recitalist
OP – 1st Alternate
Honorable Mention

Grade 12

Grace Rivord
Blaithin Meghear
Kaylyn Manlove-Simmons

Elizabeth Castillo
Patricia Callaway
Debra Hughes

Senior Cash Award
OP – 1st Alternate
Honorable Mention

Remahlia Kormalos

Debra Hughes

Honorable Mention

INSTRUMENTAL DIVISION

Strings/Guitar

Yien Wang, Chair

GRADE 1

Asha Hostetter

Elizabeth Hostetter

OP–Conference Recitalist

GRADE 2/3

Olivia Kim

Amy Chang

OP – Conference Recitalist

GRADE 4/5

Seunghoon (Ryan) Pi

Elaine Shin

OP – Conference Recitalist

Charlotte Jeong

Amy Chang

Award of Excellence

Yining Zhang

William Pu

Award of Excellence

Christian J. Lee

Nadir Khashimov

Honorable Mention

GRADE 6/7

Claire Cho

Nadir Khashimov

OP – Conference Recitalist

Angelina Lu

William Pu

Award of Excellence

Lucas Liu

Que Yang

Award of Excellence

Ethan Lo

Hsin-Lan Chien

Honorable Mention

Evelyn Smith

Kathryn Dawal

Honorable Mention

GRADE 8/9

Jason Seo

Amy Chang

OP – Conference Recitalist

Sophia Ho

Nadir Khashimov

OP – 1st Alternate

Kate Sunny Kim

Nadir Khashimov

Award of Excellence

Amartya Kallingal

Nadir Khashimov

Award of Excellence

GRADE 10/11

Zach Tseng

Nadir Khashimov

OP – Conference Recitalist

Kelly Hanna Jeong

Nadir Khashimov

OP – 1st Alternate

Jeremiah Jung

William Pu

Award of Excellence

Erin Kong

Nadir Khashimov

Honorable Mention

Sung-Lin Hsieh
Pranav Aluru

Nadir Khashimov
Lyster Bass

Honorable Mention
Honorable Mention

GRADE 12

John Cho
Kaci Xie

Amy Chang
Amy Chang

Senior Cash Award
OP – 1st Alternate

Instrumental Concerto

Zach Tseng
Sophia Ho
Claire Cho
Kelly Hanna Jeong
Sung-Lin Hsieh
Jason Seo
Jeremiah Jung
Erin Kong

Yien Wang, Chair

Nadir Khashimov
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Amy Chang
William Pu
Nadir Khashimov

OP – Conference Recitalist
OP – 1st Alternate
OP – 2nd Alternate
Award of Excellence
Award of Excellence
Award of Excellence
Honorable Mention
Honorable Mention

Woodwinds/Brass

Lower College

Wendy Mims

Yien Wang, Chair

Maggie Hollis

Award of Excellence