

GMTA

Georgia Music Teachers Association

2021 GMTA State Auditions Results

A total of 388 Students participated in 2021 GMTA State Auditions. The following categories were represented:

- Pre-College Piano, Grades 4-11 – 233 State Participants
- 12th Grade Piano – 20 Participants
- Pre-College Piano Concerto – 10 Participants
- College/Adult Piano – 23 Participants
- College Piano Concerto – 3 Participant
- Voice – 15 Participants
- Strings/Guitar – 55 Participants
- Woodwinds/Brass – 4 Participant
- Instrumental Concerto – 26 Participants

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

~Huu Mai / Vice President of GMTA Auditions

~Joy Poole / Pre-College State Coordinator

PIANO DIVISION

GRADE 4

Ping-Yun Hsu, Chair

Award: Conference Recitalist

Aiden Lu

Ping-Yun Hsu

Cobb County

Award: 1st Alternate

Hanna

Cho

Gina Myung

North Fulton

Award: 2nd Alternate

Harry

Hu

Anne Sun

Atlanta

Award: Outstanding Performer

Timothy Guo

Ping Xu

North Dekalb

Jessica Ren

Anne Sun

Atlanta

James Xie

Hwee Boon Ng

Atlanta

Award: Award of Excellence

Chrissy Raez

Jiyeon Kwak

Gwinnett County

Brandon Won

Min Yeong Kim

Decatur

Jayden Zhang

Miao-Fen Lin

North Dekalb

Ashley Zhang

Miao-Fen Lin

North Dekalb

Caleb Chen

Ping Xu

North Dekalb

Sophia Tsao

Ping-Yun Hsu

Cobb County

Award: Honorable Mention

Hamin You

Dawn Dalangin Hawk

North Fulton

Janet Hong

Grace Li

Greater Marietta

Elizabeth Casady

Seonhee Cho

North Dekalb

Kherington Popejoy

Sara Leote

Savannah

Ayan Shetye

Joseph Camillo

Cobb County

Vivian Liu

Jessie Lo

Cobb County

GRADE 5**Ping-Yun Hsu, Chair**

Award: Conference Recitalist

Chengyi Shao	Ping Xu	Atlanta
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Award: 1st Alternate

Ryan

Lee	Gina Myung	North Fulton
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Award: 2nd Alternate

Cindy Zhou	Anne Sun	Atlanta
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Award: Outstanding Performer

Natalie

Hoang	Jiyeon Kwak	Gwinnett County
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Muriel Chan	Inna Satunovsky	Coweta-Fayette
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Nick Xu	Anne Sun	Atlanta
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Chloe Lung	Hwee Boon Ng	Atlanta
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Elim Xu	Clara Park	Augusta
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Award: Award of Excellence

Ethan

Huo	Momoko Yamamoto	Cobb County
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Hannah Xu	Keli Xu	North Fulton
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Helen Becker	Amy Quackenbush	Cherokee
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Annie Chen	Ping Xu	Atlanta
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Corinne Thorpe	Ping Xu	Atlanta
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Nathanael Anderson	Davide Palmer	Cherokee
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Gracie Dong	Jessie Lo	Cobb County
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Award: Honorable Mention

Ella

Chen	Grace Li	Greater Marietta
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Kayla Zhang	Keli Xu	North Fulton
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Reina Lee	Yoonmi Choi	Gwinnett County
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Soyee Min	Yoonmi Choi	Gwinnett County
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Ryan Lee	Wendy Vann	North Dekalb
Robert Chen	Peggy Lee	Athens
Ethan Chen	Mary McKee	Savannah

GRADE 6

Robin Engleman, NCTM Chair

Award: Conference Recitalist

Melvin Xu	Anne Sun	Atlanta
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Award: 1st Alternate

Michelle Zhou	Ping Xu	North Dekalb
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Award: 2nd Alternate

Eric Lee	Elena Cholakova	Atlanta
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Award: Outstanding Performer

Hannah Sundar	Elena Cholakova	Atlanta
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Nelson Solon Liu	Hwee Boon Ng	North Dekalb
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Jiabo Hu	Ping-Yun Hsu	Cobb County
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Mitchell Kuang	Alexander Wasserman	Cobb County
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Award: Award of Excellence

Seohee Lee	Gina Myung	North Dekalb
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Leo Kim	Gina Myung	North Dekalb
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Eric Jiang	Grace Li	Greater Marietta
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Alex Han	Junghee Lee	Gwinnett County
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Gavin Joseph Poon	Hwee Boon Ng	Atlanta
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Sophie Tong	Anne Sun	Atlanta
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Evan Xue	Anne Sun	Atlanta
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Award: Honorable Mention

Lewie Han	Inyoung Choi	Coweta-Fayette
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Claire Moore	Lily Bowman	Cherokee
Eric Shu	Ping Xu	North Dekalb
Nicole Lee	Ping Xu	North Dekalb
Jack Landrum	Jessie Lo	Cobb County
Yi Hui Judith Tan	Tracy Xian	Columbus
Kavita Tembe	Jessie Lo	Cobb County

GRADE 7

Robin Engleman, NCTM, Chair

Award: Conference Recitalist

Ethan Palmer	Alexander Wasserman	Cobb County
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Award: 1st Alternate

Hailey Culp	Ping Xu	North Dekalb
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Award: 2nd Alternate

Michelle Feng	Ping Xu	Atlanta
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Award: Outstanding Performer

Chase Choi	Min Yeong Kim	Decatur
Irmina Choi	Young Eun Sim	North Dekalb
Vincent Chen	Anne Sun	Atlanta
Ethan Nie	Ping Xu	Atlanta
Alicia Wang	Hwee Boon Ng	Atlanta
Joanna Catherine Wang	Tracy Xian	Columbus

Award: Award of Excellence

Brady Zhang	Miao-Fen Lin	North Dekalb
Harry Kim	Yoonmi Choi	Gwinnett County
Haejoon Oh	Anne Sun	Atlanta
Audrey Sun	Anne Sun	Atlanta
Emilie Chan	Eric Clay	Coweta-Fayette
Nathaniel Ko	Ping-Yun Hsu	Cobb County

Award: Honorable Mention

Andrew Kim	Inyoung Choi	Coweta-Fayette
Edwin Tang	Ping Xu	North Dekalb
Eva Ballerstedt	Wendy Vann	North Dekalb
Vinny Montague	Jason Montague	S. Metro Atlanta
Sophia Madani	Fernando Ramos	Coweta-Fayette
Ethan Lo	Jessie Lo	Cobb County
CoCo Qiu	Peggy Lee	Athens

GRADE 8

Anne Sun, Chair

Award: Conference Recitalist

Albert Zhang	Keli Xu	North Fulton
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Award: 1st Alternate

Aidan Pabis	Grace Huang	Athens
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Award: 2nd Alternate

Lauren Kim	Anne Sun	Atlanta
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Award: Outstanding Performer

Asher Pecqueur	Lois Finlay	North Dekalb
Jesse Lan	Grace Li	Greater Marietta
Nathan Liu	Joanna Kim	Northeast Georgia
Caroline Chang	Ping Xu	Atlanta
Austin Wu	Huu Mai	Cobb County

Award: Award of Excellence

Justin Hwang	Lois Finlay	North Dekalb
David Kim	Yoonmi Choi	Gwinnett County
Ashley Si	Anne Sun	Atlanta

Chloe Song	Anne Sun	Atlanta
Claire Jing	Ping Xu	North Dekalb
Leia Lankford	Wanda Hughes	Cherokee
Zachary Loden	Joseph Hokayem	Athens
Rayna Xiao	Jonathan Klein	Athens

Award: Honorable Mention

Brent Shi	Hwee Boon Ng	North Fulton
Vedita Sawhney	Inna Satunovsky	Coweta-Fayette
Sophia Li	Ping Xu	North Dekalb
Audrey Wang	Shu-Chuan Hsiang	North Dekalb
Elizabeth Perry	Diane Boyd	Savannah
Sean Powell	Tracy Xian	Columbus
Bochen Shen	Joseph Hokayem	Athens
Andrew Zhang	Joseph Hokayem	Athens

GRADE 9

Anne Sun, Chair

Award: Conference Recitalist

Ethan Liu	Joanna Kim	Northeast Georgia
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Award: 1st Alternate

Julia Lee	Elena Cholakova	Atlanta
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Award: 2nd Alternate

Erin Li	Alexander Wasserman	Cobb County
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Award: Outstanding Performer:

Eric Xu	Miao-Fen Lin	North Dekalb
Brodie Gross	Elena Cholakova	Atlanta
Kimmie Bateman	Jonathan Klein	Athens
Rita Chen	Anne Sun	Atlanta

Sophie Fang	Jessie Lo	Cobb County
Award: Award of Excellence		
Owen Sexton	Inna Satunovsky	Coweta-Fayette
Julia Pearson	Ping Xu	North Dekalb
Anna Nyugen	Ping Xu	North Dekalb
Alison Wang	Hwee Boon Ng	Atlanta
Joshua Su	Shirley Irek	Atlanta
Ethan Nguyen	Nancy Elton	Atlanta
Jerry Lu	Clara Park	Augusta
William Yin	Jonathan Klein	Athens
Amy Shan	Jonathan Klein	Athens

Award: Honorable Mention

Irene Lee	Carolyn Goff	Macon
Joshua Kim	Gina Myung	North Dekalb
Hanny Wu	Miao-Fen Lin	North Dekalb
Megan Lee	Ping Xu	North Dekalb
Evelyn Jin	Ping Xu	Atlanta
Natalie Ko	Huu Mai	Cobb County
Ethan Yap	Ping-Yun Hsu	Cobb County
Aaron Yang	Joseph Hokayem	Athens
Nichols Parish	Clara Park	Augusta

GRADE 10

Diane Boyd, NCTM, Chair

Award: Conference Recitalist

Zhu Yun Wei	Hwee Boon Ng	North Dekalb
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Award: 1st Alternate

Caroline Malcom	Anne Sun	Atlanta
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Award: 2nd Alternate

Spencer McKee

Mary McKee

Savannah

Award: Outstanding Performer

Khumo Simelane

LuAnn Latzanich

Coweta-Fayette

Ilya Bryantsev

Shu-Chuan Hsiang

North Dekalb

Nico Brett

Joe Seidel

Cherokee

Ned Henneman

Nancy Vogelsang

Savannah

Ovie Nirgudkar

Liza Stepanova

Athens

Award: Award of Excellence

Joline Tran

Hwee Boon Ng

North Fulton

Jensi Perng

Hwee Boon Ng

North Fulton

Noah Powell

Marissa Woodall

Cherokee

Kelley Lu

Ping Xu

North Dekalb

Susan Meng

Shu-Chuan Hsiang

North Dekalb

Joey Dagostino

Laura Lozier

Cherokee

Maxwell Zhang

Nancy Elton

Atlanta

Jeffery Li

Clara Park

Augusta

Award: Honorable Mention

Tianyue Jack Xu

Grace Li

Greater Marietta

Yelin Kim

Inyoung Choi

Coweta-Fayette

Michael Salamat

Gloria Park

Gwinnett County

George Powell

Marissa Woodall

Cherokee

Kyra Andrews

Gayle Vann

North Dekalb

Sean Zhong

Gayle Vann

North Dekalb

Eric Chang

Joseph Hokayem

Athens

GRADE 11**Diane Boyd, NCTM, Chair**

Award: Conference Recitalist

Grace Peng	David Fung	Athens
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Award: 1st Alternate

Katherine Yang	Alexander Wasserman	Cobb County
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Award: 2nd Alternate

Shirley Chen	Hwee Boon Ng	North Dekalb
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Award: Outstanding Performer

Daniel Noelle	Marcia Rygh	Gwinnett County
Michelle Ho	Joanna Kim	Northeast Georgia
Daniel Pan	Ping Xu	Atlanta
Wesley Morgan	Erica McClellan	Athens

Award: Award of Excellence

Jayden Chong	Lois Finlay	North Dekalb
Andrew Bae	Grace Kim	North Fulton
Zdenek Kratky	Grace Kim	North Fulton
Fiona Guo	Ping Xu	North Dekalb
Margaret Wei	Ping Xu	North Dekalb
Ethan Bernhard	Alexander Wasserman	Cobb County
Delfin Aydin	Lois Finlay	North Dekalb

Award: Honorable Mention

Anagha Jaswani	Renee Holliman	North Fulton
Bhargav Koshti	Grace Kim	North Fulton
Bryan Hu	Seonhee Cho	North Fulton
Paul Yi	Inyoung Choi	Coweta-Fayette
Nimai Patel	Anna Arshavskaya	Decatur

Lauren Chan	Inna Satunovsky	Coweta-Fayette
Isaac Cheon	Aesook Moon	Columbus
Alex Min White	Hyangbin Choi	Augusta

GRADE 12

Yien Wang, Chair

Award: Senior Cash Award

Anna Hu	Lois Finlay	North Dekalb
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Award: Outstanding Performer

Charles Li	Elena Cholakova	Augusta
Skyler Feng	Ping Xu	Atlanta
Ellen Daugherty	Alexander Wasserman	Cobb County

Award: Award of Excellence

Didan Dealy	Lois Finlay	North Dekalb
Gus Spencer	Susan McDuffie	Macon
Nicholas Ge	Alexander Wasserman	Cobb County
Susanna O'Herron	Clara Park	Augusta

Award: Honorable Mention

Aaron Wei	Miao-Fen Lin	North Dekalb
Kate Warner	Mary Ann McTier	Gwinnett County
Stephanie Harter	Donna Dasher	Savannah
Kevin Zhang	Joseph Hokayem	Athens

Pre-College Concerto

Huu Mai, Chair

Award: Conference Recitalist

Katherine Yang

Alexander Wasserman

Cobb County

Award: 1st Alternate

Grace Peng

David Fung

Athens

Award: 2nd Alternate

Spencer McKee

Mary McKee

Savannah

Award: Award of Excellence

Jaia Alli

Shirley Irek

Atlanta

Jayden Chong

Lois Finlay

North Dekalb

Award: Honorable Mention

Kyra Andrews

Gayle Vann

North Dekalb

Jane Lee

Gayle Vann

North Dekalb

College/Adult Piano

Huu Mai, Chair

Lower College

Vivian Zhao

Elena Cholakova

OP – Conference Recitalist

Colin Song

Elena Cholakova

OP – 1st Alternate

Grace Li

Elena Cholakova

OP – 2nd Alternate

Carson Campbell

Ian Altmann

Award of Excellence

Nikki Vu

Ian Altmann

Award of Excellence

Seiler Rivers

Ian Altmann

Award of Excellence

Arendil Plummer

Martin Jones

Honorable Mention

Alix Sherry

Alexander Wasserman

Honorable Mention

Sarah Townsend

Alexander Wasserman

Honorable Mention

Caleb Ferreira

Joe Chapman

Honorable Mention

Middle College

Sarah Wang

Elena Cholakova

OP – Conference Recitalist

Elizabeth Sun

Elena Cholakova

OP – 1st Alternate

Jisu Yang

Elena Cholakova

OP – 2nd Alternate

Cameron Wood

Ian Altman

Award of Excellence

Jason Lin

Elena Cholakova

Award of Excellence

Christian Poppell

Liza Stepanova

Award of Excellence

Rose Kelley

Martin Jones

Honorable Mention

Tallulah Schaumann

Martin Jones

Honorable Mention

Marie Blackmar

Alexander Wasserman

Honorable Mention

Salvatore Riggi

Alexander Wasserman

Honorable Mention

Upper College

Nan Gao

Liza Stepanova

OP – Conference Recitalist

Lingyi Guo

David Fung

OP – 1st Alternate

College Piano Concerto

Huu Mai, Chair

Annabel Shue

David Fung

OP – Cash Winner

Sara Wang

Elena Cholakova

Award of Excellence

Cade Wilson

Joanna Kim

Honorable Mention

VOICE DIVISION

Voice

Huu Mai, Chair

Grade 9

Nikhila Vincent	Margaret Liu	OP—Conference Recitalist
Saanvi Hombaiah	Huu Mai	OP—1st Alternate
Samhita Purushothap	Margaret Liu	OP—2 nd Alternate
Skylar Koch	Debra Hughes	Award of Excellence
Meredith Manlove-Sim	Debra Hughes	Award of Excellence

Grade 10

Lia Mathews	Margaret Liu	OP—Conference Recitalist
Sujana Vangala	Margaret Liu	OP – 1 st Alternate
Claire Wu	Margaret Liu	OP—2 nd Alternate

Grade 11

Andrew Boyacigiller	Huu Mai	OP—Conference Recitalist
Lyla Carroll	Robin Jones	OP—1 st Alternate
Lauren Coker	Rebekah Boles	OP—2 nd Alternate

Grade 12

Tanushka Sisodiya	Margaret Liu	OP—Senior Cash Award
Noelle Wiley	Debra Murphy	Outstanding Performer
Savannah Greene	Debra Murphy	Outstanding Performer

INSTRUMENTAL DIVISION

Strings/Guitar

Huu Mai, Chair

GRADE 2/3

Junro Chen	Alexis Lee	OP – Conference Recitalist
Yier Zhang	Martin Gueorguiev	OP – 1 st Alternate
Peter Podgorodets	Daniel Arshavsky	OP – 2 nd Alternate
Emma Li	Que Yang	Award of Excellence

GRADE 4/5

Abby Kim	Martin Gueorguiev	OP – Conference Recitalist
Charlotte Jeong	Amy Chang	OP – 1 st Alternate
Ellie Kim	William Pu	OP – 2 nd Alternate
Arjun Nirgudkar	Alexis Lee	Award of Excellence
Audrey Lee	Sonja Foster	Award of Excellence
Nia Li	Que Yang	Honorable Mention

GRADE 6/7

Yining Zhang	William Pu	OP – Conference Recitalist
Ethan Lo	Wendy Warner	OP – 1 st Alternate
Lucas Liu	William Pu	OP – 2 nd Alternate
Shicheng Wei	Que Yang	Award of Excellence
Elena Dagostino	Daniel Arshavsky	Award of Excellence
Esther Park	Nadir Khashimov	Award of Excellence
Greyson Crook	Alexis Lee	Honorable Mention
Caroline Huang	Que Yang	Honorable Mention
Elijah Kim	Martin Gueorguiev	Honorable Mention

GRADE 8/9

Kate Sunny Kim	Nadir Khashimov	OP – Conference Recitalist
Eugenie Lim	Sonja Foster	OP – 1 st Alternate
Kristen Song	Martin Gueorguiev	OP – 2 nd Alternate
Jayden Lee	Martin Gueorguiev	Award of Excellence
Ella Grace Malcom	Sonja Foster	Award of Excellence
Alex Ko	Martin Gueorguiev	Award of Excellence
Jocelyne Andronache	Que Yang	Honorable Mention
Joshua Nguyen	Martin Gueorguiev	Honorable Mention

GRADE 10/11

Tobias Liu	Nadir Khashimov	OP – Conference Recitalist
Kelly Hanna Jeong	Nadir Khashimov	OP – 1 st Alternate
Jeremiah Jung	William Pu	OP – 2 nd Alternate
Isabella Lin	Nadir Khashimov	Outstanding Performer
Brandon Lee	William Pu	Outstanding Performer
Jason Seo	Amy Chang	Outstanding Performer
Amy Mo	Nadir Khashimov	Award of Excellence
Amartya Kallingal	Nadir Khashimov	Award of Excellence
Abigail Kim	William Pu	Award of Excellence
Pranav Aluru	Lyster Bass	Honorable Mention
Jeremy Lee	Martin Gueorguiev	Honorable Mention

GRADE 12

Evan Nicholson	Daniel Laufer	OP – Senior Cash Award
Erin Cho	Nadir Khashimov	Outstanding Performer

Instrumental Concerto**Huu Mai, Chair**

Tobias Liu	Nadir Khashimov	OP – Conference Recitalist
Jeremiah Jung	William Pu	OP – 1 st Alternate
Eugenie Lim	Sonja Foster	OP – 2 nd Alternate
Brandon Lee	William Pu	Outstanding Performer
Kelly Hanna Jeong	Nadir Khashimov	Outstanding Performer
Yining Zhang	William Pu	Outstanding Performer
Kate Sunny Kim	Nadir Khashimov	Outstanding Performer
Shicheng Wei	Que Yang	Award of Excellence
Jason Seo	Amy Chang	Award of Excellence
Abigail Kim	William Pu	Award of Excellence
Ethan Lo	Wendy Warner	Award of Excellence
Jayden Lee	Martin Gueorguiev	Award of Excellence
Amartya Kallingal	Nadir Khashimov	Honorable Mention
Isabella Lin	Nadir Khashimov	Honorable Mention
Jeremy Lee	Martin Gueorguiev	Honorable Mention
Caroline Huang	Que Yang	Honorable Mention
Elijah Kim	Martin Gueorguiev	Honorable Mention
Chloe Sun	William Pu	Honorable Mention
Ella Grace Malcom	Sonja Foster	Honorable Mention
Alex Ko	Martin Gueorguiev	Honorable Mention
Kristen Song	Martin Gueorguiev	Honorable Mention

Woodwinds/Brass

Huu Mai, Chair

Grade 9

Grant Peng

Angela Jones-Reus

OP – Conference Recitalist

Lower College/Adult

Lucy Rubin

Angela Jones-Reus

OP – Conference Recitalist

Upper College/Adult

Jacob Wood

Javian Brabham

OP – Conference Recitalist

Heroldany Artiga

Javian Brabham

OP – 1st Alternate