



Soloist Spectacular!

CYS wraps up season by featuring 5 outstanding young soloists.

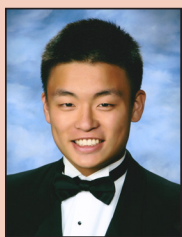
Every year in its May concerts the CYS Orchestra features the winners of its Senior Soloist Competition. The Competition is held in December and is open to any graduating senior musician. This year we saw an overabundance of talent produce an unprecedented result - four winners - each of whom will appear at both May concerts - May 10 at the San Mateo Performing Arts Center and May 17 at the Flint Center in Cupertino. Co-concertmaster Helen Wu will perform Saint-Saëns' *Introduction et Rondo Capriccioso*, co-principal bass Janice Gho will perform the *Double Bass Concerto* by Koussevitzky, co-concertmaster Andrew Chang will perform the *Scottish Fantasy* by Bruch and principal tuba Jonathan Lin will perform the *Tuba Concerto* of Bruce Broughton. Also on the program is Dvořák's boisterous *Carneval Overture*, and the concert concludes with one of the most important and beloved works of the early 20th century: Ravel's incomparable *Daphnis et Chloé*, composed in 1912 for the famous *Ballets Russe* and first performed in Paris that year. Be sure to join us for what is sure to be a memorable season finale - award winning soloists and an outstanding young orchestra.

The CYS Associate Orchestra, under the baton of Music Director Leo Eylar, will also feature an award winning soloist in its season finale concert, 2pm on May 31 in the Smithwick Theatre at Foothill College, Los Altos Hills. Oboist Peyton Chen is the winner of this year's Associate Orchestra Soloist Competition. He will perform the *Solo de Concert, No. 2* by Stanislas Verroust. Also on the program are Aaron Copland's *An Outdoor Overture*, *Fingal's Cave Overture* by Mendelssohn, Tchaikovsky's *Fatum* and *Capriccio espagnole* by Rimsky-Korsakov.

CALIFORNIA YOUTH SYMPHONY			
			
			
<p>FEATURING</p> <p><i>Carneval Overture</i> Dvořák</p> <p><i>Introduction et Rondo Capriccioso</i> - Saint-Saëns (Helen Wu, soloist)</p> <p><i>Double Bass Concerto</i> Koussevitzky (Janice Gho, soloist)</p> <p><i>Scottish Fantasy</i> Bruch (Andrew Chang, soloist)</p> <p><i>Tuba Concerto</i> Broughton (Jonathan Lin, soloist)</p> <p><i>Daphnis et Chloé, Suite No. 2</i> Ravel</p>			
<p>2015 GRADUATING SENIOR SOLOIST CONCERT</p> <p>441 California Ave. #5 Palo Alto, CA 94306 650.325.6666 www.cys.org</p> <p>(For more details scan this QR code)</p> 		<p>TICKETS:</p> <p>\$15 ADULT</p> <p>\$10 SENIOR & STUDENT</p>	<p>SAN MATEO PERFORMING ARTS CENTER</p> <p>MAY 10</p> <p>2:30 PM</p> <p>FLINT CENTER, CUPERTINO</p> <p>MAY 17</p> <p>2:30 PM</p>

Our Fantastic Five Soloists

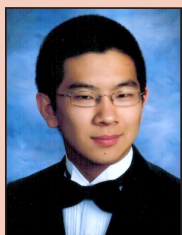
SENIOR ORCHESTRA



ANDREW CHANG has been playing violin for 11 years. He began studying under Amy Zhang and currently studies under Florence Huang. He has won a number of awards and prizes in music competitions including first place awards in the Senior Solo, Ruby Senior Concerto, and Instrumental Intermediate Divisions of the U.S. Open Music Competition. He has also received prizes in the Intermediate and Junior Divisions of the Contra Costa String Competition, the CMTANC Competition, the AFAF Golden Strings of America Competition and the Menuhin Dowling Competition. He attends Mission San Jose High School where he is captain of the soccer team and class vice president.



JANICE GHO began studying the double bass at the age of 13 with Bruce Moyer after many years of playing the piano. This is Janice's third year in the California Youth Symphony, and her second year as co-principal bassist. In the summer of 2014 Janice was chosen as a member of the National Youth Orchestra of the USA and participated in a coast-to-coast tour of the US in eight different cities with guest artists David Robertson and Gil Shaham. The orchestra performed in many prestigious venues such as Carnegie Hall, Millennium Park, and the Walt Disney Concert Hall. This year Janice was once again selected to be a member of the National Youth Orchestra and will participate in a seven-city tour of China this summer. She has previously won slots in the NAFME All-National Honors Orchestra and the California All-State Honors Orchestra. Janice enjoys bringing her music into the community as she often performs at senior centers, hospitals, benefit concerts, and other community events. Janice is currently completing her senior year at Monta Vista High School.



JONATHAN LIN started playing the tuba at the age of 11. He was chosen as the principal tubist in the 2014 All-National Honor Band (National Association for Music Education) and performed at the Grand Ole Opry along with 150 other selected high school band students from around the United States. He has also performed in the California All-State Wind Symphony and Santa Clara County Honor Band. As the first place winner in the 2013-2014 Yen-Liang Young Artist Competition, Jonathan performed Edward Gregson's Tuba Concerto with the Diablo Symphony Orchestra last spring. For the last four summers he has attended the Humboldt State University Brass Chamber Music Workshop. He studies privately with Tony Clements. He is a senior at Monta Vista High School and will attend Stanford in the fall.



HELEN WU started studying violin at age four and joined the California Youth Symphony in fifth grade. In 9th grade, she became the concertmaster of the California Youth Symphony Senior Orchestra and The Harker Upper School Orchestra. In 2014 Helen was chosen as a violinist in the 120-member 2014 National Youth Orchestra of the United States of America under the guidance of Maestro David Roberson and the violin virtuoso soloist Gil Shaham. The National Youth Orchestra toured coast-to-coast, performing in some of the greatest halls in the US, including Carnegie Hall, Walt Disney Hall, and Seji Ozawa Hall in Tanglewood.

Among her many musical honors, Helen was a Junior Bach Festival winner and was invited to perform in the Junior Bach Festival in the spring of 2012. She was also the first-prize winner in the AFAF International Concerto Competition 2014 and the Golden Era of Romantic Music International Competition 2014, for which she was invited twice to play at Carnegie Hall. Helen is a senior at The Harker School and currently studies with Mr. Li Lin and Ms. Zhao Wei. In addition to music, Helen enjoys dance and is passionate about scientific research.

ASSOCIATE ORCHESTRA



PEYTON CHEN began his oboe studies at age ten. Peyton has been with CYS for two years and studies under Yu-Ting Wang. Peyton won first place in American Protégé's International Woodwinds and Brass Competition for his age group. His oboe performances won multiple prizes at the 2014 U.S. Open Music Competition and 2nd place at American Protégé's International Romantic Music Competition. Peyton was selected as a member of the California All-State Honor Band in 2014 and 2015. He enjoys sharing music with the community and has performed in community events, including the Santana Row Christmas Tree Lighting. Peyton's passion for the oboe began while listening to Prokofiev's *Peter and the Wolf*. The oboe, representing the duck character, and its expressive tone caught his attention and that day, he became an oboist. Peyton is currently in 8th grade at Lawson Middle School.

NATIONAL YOUTH ORCHESTRA

Last year at this time we wrote about the amazing honor that two of our young musicians – Helen Wu and Janice Gho – received by being selected for the National Youth Orchestra of the United States. We are delighted, and incredibly proud, to report that both Janice and Helen have been chosen once again for the National Youth Orchestra, which will tour China this summer. Many states do not have a single musician chosen and only 7 have been picked from all of California. For two musicians from the same youth orchestra to be selected two years in a row must surely be unprecedented.

Congratulations Helen and Janice!...and read more about them, and our other May soloists, in this issue.

CYS ENSEMBLES WRAP UP OUTSTANDING SEASON.

The CYS String Ensembles, under the direction of Kati Kyme, and the CYS Wind Ensembles, directed by Rosita Amador, will present their season finale concert at 2pm on Sunday, June 7 in the Smithwick Theatre at Foothill College. The Junior Strings will perform Telemann's *Overture to the "Hamburger Ebb und Fluth"*, Beethoven's *"The Chase" (Scherzo from Symphony No. 7)*, Holst's *Jig from the St. Paul's Suite* and the *Allegro from Symphony 25 in G Minor* by Mozart. The Intermediate Strings will perform Mozart's *Overture to the Abduction from the Seraglio*, the *Allegro from Quartet No.14 in D minor ("Death and the Maiden")* by Schubert and Dvořák's *Scherzo from the Serenade for Strings*. Following a brief pause the CYS Wind Ensembles will perform. The Intro Winds will open with four short pieces, including Scott Joplin's famous *The Entertainer*. The Wind Ensemble One will perform Dvořák's *Serenade*, *The Black Horse Troop* by John Phillip Sousa, *March from the Second Suite for Military Band* by Holst, and a medley from *The Phantom of the Opera* by Andrew Lloyd Weber. The musical matinee will conclude with the Wind Ensemble Two performing *The Light Cavalry Overture* by Franz von Suppé, the beloved *Seventy Six Trombones* from Meredith Willson's *The Music Man*, and finishing up with a medley of "crooners tunes" - *I've Got You Under My Skin* and *Save the Last Dance for Me*.

Hearty congratulations to all of our graduating musicians. CYS wishes you all the very best in your future endeavors.

Graduating Musicians 2015

SENIOR ORCHESTRA

Nisha Ahluwalia, violin
Andrew Chang, violin
Camille Chen, violin
Lawrence Chen, bassoon
Tiffany Chen, violin
Justin Cheon, violin
Shannon Chiu, violin
Janice Gho, bass
Eugene Gil, violin
Torrey Guan, oboe
Julia Hu, cello
Charlie Huang, cello
Tara Iyer, violin
Benjamin Jackson, violin
Cameron Kao, bass
Jennifer Kim, flute
Daniel Lee, trombone

Justin Lee, violin
Elizabeth Li, viola
James Lin, viola
Jonathan Lin, tuba
Neel Mittal, trombone
Steven Newman, trumpet
Chetan Rane, oboe
Neha Sharma, trumpet
Kaitlyn Shih, violin
Kevin Tang, bass
Lillian Thio, cello
Christina Tian, percussion
Lawrence (Tsung-Hsi) Tsai, clarinet
Vishal Vaidya, horn
Allen Wan, trumpet
Kelly Wang, bass
Lillian Wang, flute
Chloe Wei, horn

Garrett Woodford-Berry, cello
Helen Wu, violin
Kevin Yang, trumpet
Caroline Young, flute

ASSOCIATE ORCHESTRA

Bryan Chang, violin
Alvin Yin, violin

WIND ENSEMBLE 2

Michael Viray, clarinet
Carrie Yan, flute

INTERMEDIATE STRINGS

Nikhil Bhatia, violin
Sharon Chen, violin

California Youth Symphony



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- Double Bass Concerto, Op. 3* Koussevitzky
Janice Gho, Bass Soloist
- Introduction et Rondo Capriccioso* Saint-Saëns
Helen Wu, Violin Soloist
- Tuba Concerto* Broughton
Jonathan Lin, Tuba Soloist
- Scottish Fantasy* Bruch
Andrew Chang, Violin Soloist
- Daphnis et Chloé, Suite No. 2* Ravel

SUNDAY, MAY 10, 2:30PM

San Mateo Performing Arts Center
San Mateo High School
600 N. Delaware St., San Mateo

SUNDAY, MAY 17, 2:30PM

Flint Center, Cupertino
DeAnza College Campus
21250 Stevens Creek Blvd., Cupertino

TICKETS: Adults \$15, Students and Seniors \$10

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CYS Debuts New Web Page

After months of preparation, CYS has just launched an exciting new version of its website.
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