Performer Biographies

Jack Dong 15-year-old Jack studies piano at the high school of the Sichuan Conservatory. He has won many competitions including the Young Artist Competition. He likes to read in his free time.

Colin McDearman Colin, a 17-year-old native of Jackson, MS, represented his state in the 2006 MTNA National Yamaha Competition. Also the president of the 2006 MS State Music Federated Clubs, Colin loves the outdoors and ultimate Frisbee.

Michael Repper From Laguna Niguel, CA, 16-year-old Michael attends the Orange County High School for the Arts and was the state winner of the 2004 MTNA National Baldwin Competition. A strong leader, Michael is also interested in conducting and politics.

Colin Barnett-Hart 17-year-old Colin is working toward an International Baccalaureate Degree in Boulder, CO and currently studies with Larry Graham. Colin has won awards in many competitions and soloed with several orchestras. He also enjoys playing ultimate Frisbee.

Antonio Valentin Antonio, 17, is a rising senior in Silver Springs, MD. A three time semifinalist at the Oberlin International Piano Competition, Antonio has also received various state MTNA awards. While away from the piano, Antonio enjoys traveling and studying the French Revolution.

Marika Yasuda 14-year-old Marika, from Williamsburg, VA, attends school at the Hampton Roods Academy. She won the Young Artist Competition and took 2nd in the Classical Competition. Also a member of the National Junior Honor Society, Marika loves playing tennis.

Simeon Kim Simeon lives in Chesapeake, VA, and was awarded 2nd place in the Virginia State Bland Competition. He will attend the Oberlin Conservatory this fall. Outside of piano, Simeon enjoys playing tennis and loves to read poetry.

Dominic Cheli From St. Charles, MO, 14-year-old Dominic Cheli has won the Missouri MTNA Competition and the St. Louis Music Teachers Association Young Artist Competition. He also plays Saxophone.



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Andante Spianato and Grand Polonaise Brilliante	Frederic Chopin 1810-1849	
Jack Dong		
Sonata in C major K. 330 Allegro Moderato Colin McDearman	W.A. Mozart 1756-1791	
Prelude and Fugue in E minor WTC II Michael Repper	J.S. Bach 1685-1750	
Prelude "Un Reflet dans le vent" Colin Barnett-Hart	Olivier Messiaen 1908-1992	
Sonata in F Major K. 332 Allegro Antonio Valentin	W.A. Mozart 1756-1791	
Un Sospiro Marika Yasuda	Franz Liszt 1811-1886	
Toccata op. 11 Simeon Kim	Sergei Prokofiev 1891-1953	
Rigoletto Paraphrase Dominic Cheli	Franz Liszt 1811-1886	

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