

Performer Biographies

16-year-old **Adriana Cherskov** began her studies eight years ago and is currently under the guidance of Donna Sams. A resident of Seattle, Washington, Adriana has won prizes in many competitions, including receiving Third Place in the Senior Division of the Outstanding Artist Competition. She enjoys Croatian folk dancing in her free time.

Jack Dong, from Chengdu, China, currently studies with Hanguo Yang in the Sichuan Conservatory of Music. The 16-year-old has been honored in various competitions, including receiving Second Place in the Second National Chinese Piano Competition in 2005.

Yi-Mei Chan, age 17, was born in Hong Kong. Currently, she attends the Hong Kong Academy for Performing Arts, where she studies piano with Gabriel Kwok. Yi-Mei Chan has won prizes in numerous piano competitions, including First Prize in both the 69th Steinway & Sons International Youth Piano Competition and the First China Regional Competition.

Alexander Stabile is an eleventh grader in Oakton, Virginia who currently studies with Nancy O'Neill Breth. This past year, he was a guest artist with the Shenandoah Conservatory Orchestra, and a finalist in the National Symphony Orchestra Young Soloists' Competition. In 2006, he was the Second Prize National Winner of the MTNA Junior Piano Competition.

Brianna Park, age 17, is entering her senior year at the Pacific Coast High School. Currently, she is under the guidance of Dr. Scott McBride Smith. Born in South Korea, Brianna was the first alternate winner in the Southern California Bach Festival in 2008.

A student of Leonard Richter, 19-year-old **Matthew Palumbo** currently attends Walla Walla University. Originally a resident of Seattle, Washington, Matthew has won many awards, including winning First Place in the SCMTA Piano Competition in 2006. In 2007, he performed the first Rachmaninoff Piano Concerto with the Northwest Philharmonic.

Chelsea Wang is a 14-year-old under the guidance of Ksenia Nosikova of University of Iowa. In 2007, she received Second Prize at the MTNA Junior National Baldwin Competition. She has played with the Ford Dodge Area Symphony, and has been on Know the Score, a statewide radio broadcast.

Emily Wang is a 15 year old from Troy, Michigan, currently studying with Ms. Catherine Rollin. She has won numerous awards in piano, including first place in the MMTA State Competition. She is a two-time MTNA state winner and regional alternate, and a frequent NFMC Competition winner.

15-year-old **Timothy Kim** is a student of Erna Gulabyan. Tim took Second Place in the US Open Piano Competition and has played in Carnegie Hall as a winner of the American Arts Festival. Tim enjoys playing basketball in his spare time.

Min Joo Yi, age 14, is a student of Michi North. She was a soloist with the New World Youth Symphony in 2005. She won the Northwest Chopin Festival from 2006 to 2008 and placed second at the 2008 MTNA Baldwin Nationals.



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Program

Prelude Op. 32 No. 10	Adriana Cherskov	S. Rachmaninov 1873-1943
Barcarolle Op. 60	Jack Dong	F. Chopin 1810-1849
Fantasy Op. 28	Yi-Mei Chan	F. Mendelssohn 1809-1847
Prelude Op. 23 No. 4	Alex Stabile	S. Rachmaninov 1873-1943
Partita No. 6 I. Toccata	Brianna Park	J.S. Bach 1685-1750
Etude-Tableau Op. 33 No. 8	Matthew Palumbo	S. Rachmaninov 1873-1943
La Campanella	Chelsea Wang	F. Liszt 1811-1886
Sonata Op. 82 IV. Vivace	Emily Wang	S. Prokofiev 1891-1953
Nocturne Op. 9 No. 3	Timothy Kim	F. Chopin 1810-1849
Andante Spianato et Grande Polonaise Brillante Op. 22	Min Joo Yi	F. Chopin 1810-1849