

2025
Kiwanis Music Festival



Highlights of the Festival
Concert & Awards Ceremony

Saturday, May 10th
7:00pm
St. George's
Anglican Church

Message from the Chair

On behalf of the Kiwanis Club of Guelph and the Music Festival Committee, I would like to welcome you to the Highlights Concert & Awards Ceremony of the 44th annual Kiwanis Music Festival of Guelph. Special thanks to Festival Coordinator, Heather Fleming, a strong supporting cast of volunteers, and a group of talented and accomplished adjudicators for another very successful festival.

I'd also like to acknowledge all of the participants who performed in the Festival this year, along with the teachers and parents who are instrumental in their continuing successes.

It is important to recognize the generous and kind support of the Guelph community. From the local venues that provided their facilities for Festival classes, to the many people and businesses that contribute valuable time and donate critical funding, we are grateful to all who contribute to the operation of the Festival.

Today's Highlights Concert is our regular showcase of some of the finest talent heard at this year's Festival. It is intended to give you a sense of the variety and quality of the music students who perform in our Festival. Trophies, plaques, medals, and scholarships will be awarded to those participants of the Festival who have been selected for special recognition by the adjudicators.

We on the Festival Committee and in the Kiwanis Club of Guelph are very proud of the fact that this Festival provides opportunities that are second to none for developing musicians in our area.

We are extremely grateful for your support, and we hope that we can count on you to assist us in our objective of continuing to provide similar opportunities to the area's youthful and talented musicians for many years to come.

Thank you for attending this evening's concert. Enjoy the show!

Rick Woolfrey, Chair of the 2025 Kiwanis Music Festival of Guelph.

Welcome & Opening Remarks..... Heather Fleming

Emcee.....Tom Watson

PLAQUE PRESENTATIONS

\$200	Leah Bakker – Soprano	Alice Sloan Memorial Scholarship
\$200	Mio Chan – Cello	Alice Sloan Memorial Scholarship
\$200	Joshua Eugenio – Flute	Alice Sloan Memorial Scholarship
\$200	Sophia Tare – Intermediate Piano	Alice Sloan Memorial Scholarship
\$200	Lydia Xu – Senior Piano	Alice Sloan Memorial Scholarship
	 donated by the Sloan Family: David & Erika, Ian & Cater, Paul & Doris, Steve & Tamara	
\$300	Erica Yeh – Violin	Doug & Joy Sloan Memorial Scholarship
	 for the Most Promising Senior String Performer	
	 donated by Ken Gee	
\$250	Iris Fu – Violin	Lillian Evenchick Memorial Scholarship
	 donated by David Evenchick	
\$250	Vera Golubitsky – Violin	Lillian Evenchick Memorial Scholarship
	 donated by David Evenchick	
\$250	Callum Durward – Cello.....	François Barsalou Memorial Scholarship
	 for the Most Promising Junior String Performer	
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PROGRAM

Pamati Children's Choir of Guelph..... Irene Gregorio, director

..... Megan Canaria, pianist; Dennis Lesmoras, guitarist

Demiella Veness Balmes, Demiella Vieyn Balmes, Chloe Bayona, Kateri Canaria,
Learra Canaria, Maegan Jade, David Harlette Durano, Isabelle Goze, Lila
Gregorio Stoup, Justine Landicho, Princess Legario, Empress Legario, Sunshine
Legario, Gabriele Lesmoras, Rafael Lesmoras, Marianne Losanes, Meagan
Losanes, Athena Faye Meot, Maviel Juana Ng, Olivia Olan-Moretta, Kit Elisha
Quiseo, Kali Gregorio Stoup

A Thousand Years.....arr. Mac Huff

Tao, Tao Po/Leron Sinta.....arr. Jude Roldan

Lily Hailu – Junior Piano

Reflections.....D. Alexander

Zoey & Briella Yiu – Harp & Violin

O mio babbino caro.....G. Puccini

Sophia Tare – Intermediate Piano

Little Prelude in D Minor, BWV 926.....J.S. Bach

Leah Bakker – Soprano

House of the Rising Sun.....The Animals

Lydia Xu – Senior Piano

Barcarolle in G Minor, Op 10, No.3.....S. Rachmaninoff

Mio Chan – Cello

.....Ken Gee, accompanist

Après un rêve.....G. Fauré

1st INTERMISSION

PROGRAM CONTINUES...

ABC's Quartet

Celina Zhou, Amelia Jiang, Celine Chen & Becky Feng

Quartet in C, KV157, 1st movement W.A. Mozart

Arthur Gammage – Treble

Ave Maria F. Schubert

Miranda Blair, Leah Jones & Charlotte Ting – Two Flutes & Cello

London Trio No. 1 in C Major, Hb IV/1, 1st mvt F.J. Haydn

Antonio Utrera-Paciulan, Emily Rak & Tobias Wang

– Two Violins & Narrator

Hot Cat, Flying Pig & Cat and Mouse A. Igudesman

Peiyi Chen – Senior Piano

Morceaux de fantaisie, Op. 3, No. 2, Prelude S. Rachmaninoff

Suzuki String School of Guelph - Ehnes Group ..Elspeth Durward, director

Jade Bruder, Ryan Chang, Vera Golubitsky, Eden Muller, Dylan Noritomi-Hartwig, Leo Stephens, Amelia Ting, Antonio Utrera-Paciulan, Kevin Wang, Aleksandra Weiler, Erica Yeh, Jason Yu

L'Irlandaise H. Lipsky

2nd INTERMISSION

PRESENTATION OF AWARDS

Choirs
Voice & Speech Arts
Junior Piano
Intermediate Piano
Senior Piano

Guitar
Harp
Junior Strings &
Jr. String Ensembles

Senior Strings &
Sr. String Ensembles
Brass & Woodwinds
Bands

50/50 DRAW

One lucky person will take home half of the total amount raised.

Closing Remarks Heather Fleming

AWARDS

On behalf of over 50 individual and corporate donors and the **Kiwanis Club of Guelph**, we are pleased to present \$12,725 in scholarships to the following 150 solo performers and ensembles as recommended by the adjudicators.

CHOIRS

\$ 200	Guelph Youth Singers.....	<i>Emily Petrenko & Marlys Neufeldt, directors</i>
	 Guelph Wellington Men's Club in Memory of Ken Greenaway	
\$ 150	GCVI Chamber Choir.....	<i>Lane Osborne, director</i>
	 Trophy - Best School Choral Program	
	 Mike & Andrea Manera	
\$ 150	Pamati Children's Choir of Guelph.....	<i>Irene Gregorio, director</i>
	 Trophy - Best Community Choral Program	
	 Guelph Wellington Men's Club	
\$ 75	Centennial CVI	<i>Emily Peterman, director</i>
	 Larry & Wendy Townsend	
\$ 75	John F. Ross CVI Chamber Choir	<i>Christa Davison & Jordyn Lundy, directors</i>
	 Steve Bond & Sharon Cousens-Bond	

VOICE & SPEECH ARTS

\$ 250	Aiobhinn Macken-Luyt.....	Mabel Wingrove Memorial Scholarship
\$ 200	Leah Bakker.....	Alice Sloan Memorial Scholarship
\$ 150	Karleigh Martin.....	David & Carrie Vert
\$ 125	David Micalef.....	Joan Heels Vocal Award Fund
\$ 125	Georgia Tait-Haynes.....	Steve Bond & Sharon Cousens-Bond
\$ 100	Neila Hay.....	Mike & Andrea Manera
\$ 100	Ally Mahony.....	June & Nick Kaethler Scholarship Fund
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\$ 50	Rukmini Chari.....	Steve Bond & Sharon Cousens-Bond
\$ 50	Rachel Jackson.....	June Kaethler
\$ 50	Ava Murray.....	Mike & Andrea Manera
\$ 50	Arx Nicholls.....	GKMF Scholarship Fund
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\$ 50	Heidi Smits.....	Debbie Sousa
\$ 50	Meera Sontam.....	GKMF Scholarship Fund
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\$ 50	Rowan Veit.....	David & Carrie Vert

JUNIOR PIANO

\$ 150	Lily Hailu	Guelph Wellington Men's Club <i>in Memory of Ken Greenaway</i>
\$ 100	Michael Gu	GKMF Scholarship Fund
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\$ 200	Sophia Tare	Alice Sloan Memorial Scholarship
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\$ 50	Jason Yu	GKMF Scholarship Fund

SENIOR PIANO

\$ 300	Xinyi Ran	Clara Bookbinder Memorial Scholarship
\$ 250	Kevin Kang	Oleg Golubitsky
\$ 200	Lydia Xu	Alice Sloan Memorial Scholarship
\$ 150	Peiyi Chen	Barbara & Donald McKay
\$ 125	Derek Cheng	Peter White
\$ 125	Charles Wang	Guelph Wellington Men's Club <i>in Memory of Ken Greenaway</i>
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GUITAR

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HARP

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\$ 50	Lochlan Gillespie	Mario Di Renzo <i>in Memory of Nives Di Renzo</i>
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JUNIOR STRINGS

\$ 250	Callum Durward	François Barsalou Memorial Scholarship
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\$ 100	Mildred Saliwonchuk	The Oh Family
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\$ 75	Kelly Shen	Diamond Detailing
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\$ 50	Ethan Hu	Oleg Golubitsky
\$ 50	Lucas Jin	Lawrence & Carol Jones
\$ 50	Ethan Lai	Sally Gross
\$ 50	Isabelle Li	Barbara & Donald McKay
\$ 50	Saralyn Ni	Geetha Pillai
\$ 50	Audrey Zhang	Mrs. Evelyn Linton
\$ 50	Ada Zhou	Wen Yan

JUNIOR STRING ENSEMBLES

\$ 100	Cambridge Youth Orchestra	Joy Schuster, director
		Yan Lin
\$ 100	GYMC Intermediate Orchestra	Joy Schuster, director
		Guelph Wellington Men's Club
\$ 100	Tanglewood Beginning Orchestra	Joy Schuster, director
		GKMF Scholarship Fund
\$ 75	GYMC Junior Orchestra	Joy Schuster, director
		June & Nick Kaethler Scholarship Fund
\$ 50	ABC's Quartet -- Celina Zhou, Amelia Jiang, Celine Chen & Becky Feng	GKMF Scholarship Fund
\$ 50	Nova Youth Chamber Orchestra	Anton Teretsky, director
		Steve Bond & Sharon Cousens-Bond

SENIOR STRINGS

\$ 300	Erica Yeh	Doug & Joy Sloan Memorial Scholarship
\$ 250	Vera Golubitsky	Lillian Evenchick Memorial Scholarship
\$ 250	Iris Fu	Lillian Evenchick Memorial Scholarship
\$ 200	Mio Chan	Alice Sloan Memorial Scholarship
\$ 150	Natasha Cook	Sally Gross
\$ 125	Leo Stephens	Mike & Andrea Manera
\$ 125	Amelia Ting	Oleg Golubitsky
\$ 100	Ryan Chang	Corporation of the Township of Guelph Eramosa
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SENIOR STRING ENSEMBLES

\$ 100	SSSG Concorde	<i>Jeremy Cook, Elspeth Durward & Lauren Taylor, directors</i>
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\$ 75	SSSG Ehnes Group	<i>Elspeth Durward, director</i>
		Steve Bond & Sharon Cousens-Bond
\$ 75	Gerhardt Cello Choir	<i>Andrea Cook, director</i>
		Wayne & Marg Mizen
\$ 75	Tertis Viola Ensemble	<i>Joy Schuster, director</i>
		GKMF Scholarship Fund
\$ 50	Guelph CVI Orchestra	<i>Dan Austin, director</i>
		Mike & Andrea Manera
\$ 50	Quartet – Antonio Utrera-Paciulan, Myles Schajnoha, Elisabeth Eckert & Natasha Cook	David & Carrie Vert
\$ 50	Trio – Antonio Utrera-Paciulan, Emily Rak & Tobias Wang	GKMF Scholarship Fund

BRASS & WOODWINDS

\$ 200	Joshua Eugenio	Alice Sloan Memorial Scholarship
\$ 100	Miranda Blair	Ernie Kalwa
\$ 100	Alice Wang	Rosanne Warren in Honour of Mr. and Mrs. Spinazze
\$ 75	Eleanor Ferreira	Barbara & Donald McKay
\$ 75	Leah Jones	Peter White
\$ 50	Nyah Craig	June Kaethler
\$ 50	Leah Melo	GKMF Scholarship Fund

BANDS

\$ 200	Westside Secondary School	<i>Sam Bibby, director</i>
		Guelph Wellington Men's Club in Memory of Ken Greenaway
\$ 150	Guelph CVI	<i>Dan Austin, director</i>
		Trophy - Best School Band Program
		Mike & Andrea Manera
\$ 125	John F. Ross CVI	<i>Dorothy Vreeswyk-Kidd, Christa Davison, Jordyn Lundy & Mike Buswell, directors</i>
		Steve Bond & Sharon Cousens-Bond
\$ 100	Centennial CVI	<i>Eric Froats & Emily Peterman, directors</i>
		GKMF Scholarship Fund
\$ 100	Rockwood Centennial Public School	<i>Morgan Rafalowski, director</i>
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