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The Chicago National Chamber Music Competition Announces the 2024 Winners!



MYAC DIVISION, OVERALL WINNER and Strings and Piano Category
Winner: Third Coast Quintet. Elizabeth Romanyuk (violin), Sunny
Tang (violin), Alex Kiley (viola), Bryce Williams (cello), Noah Kim (piano)



OPEN DIVISION, OVERALL WINNER and Strings and Piano Category Winner: Quartet Meraviglia from the Music Institute of Chicago: Elle Cho (violin), Lauren Kim (violin), Emily Chen (viola), Lucy Wu (cello)

On February 18th, 2024, Midwest Young Artists Conservatory hosted the annual Chicago National Chamber Music Competition at its home at the MYAC Center in Fort Sheridan, Highwood IL. For over 20 years, MYAC has held this event on the Sunday of President's Day weekend to allow outside groups to travel more easily to participate. This year we had groups coming from such places as Toronto, Missouri, Ohio, and Wisconsin. This year, over thirty different chamber groups of high school students competed before a panel of four prestigious judges from around the country. The competition was split into two separate divisions: Open and MYAC Division. The judges took their time in carefully listening and deciding amongst the wide array of talent shown. Listed below are the results:

MYAC DIVISION

OVERALL WINNER: Third Coast Quintet

Elizabeth Romanyuk (violin), **Sunny Tang** (violin), **Alex Kiley** (viola), **Bryce Williams** (cello), **Noah Kim** (piano)

Strings and Piano Category Winner: Third Coast Quintet

Elizabeth Romanyuk (violin), **Sunny Tang** (violin), **Alex Kiley** (viola), **Bryce Williams** (cello), **Noah Kim** (piano)

Strings and Piano Category Honorable Mentions (in alphabetical order):

Anomaly

Christine Chah (violin), **David Reyes** (cello), **Jonah Burton** (piano)

Vario Quartet

Momo Fredrickson (violin), **Kai Werlinsky** (violin), **Akshay Nair** (viola), **Mira Pietrzkiwicz** (cello)

Other Instrument Category Winner: HT4 Quintet

Evan Kessler (trumpet), **William Sun** (trumpet), **Elizabeth Smith** (horn), **Arthur Yan** (trombone), **Andrew Schinler** (trombone)

Other Instrument Honorable Mention: T3H Quartet

Sema Asmar (horn), **David Wurl** (horn), **Richie Dombrowski** (trombone), **Leon Levin** (trombone)

OPEN DIVISION

OVERALL WINNER: Quartet Meraviglia

Elle Cho (violin), **Lauren Kim** (violin), **Emily Chen** (viola), **Lucy Wu** (cello)

Strings and Piano Category Winner: Quartet Meraviglia

Elle Cho (violin), **Lauren Kim** (violin), **Emily Chen** (viola), **Lucy Wu**
(cello)

Strings and Piano Category Honorable Mentions (in alphabetical order):

Inicio String Quartet

Yueming Lin (violin), **Zihuan Xu** (violin), **Jialin Gong** (viola), **Ryan Yin**
(cello)

Monaco Piano Trio

Kaylee Kim (violin), **Kevin Hernandez** (cello), **Joseph Gallwas** (piano)

Other Instrument Category Winner: The Purple Hippopotami

Jacob Cornejo (flute), **Sofia Villanueva** (flute), **Kaylee Johnson** (flute)

Other Instrument Category Honorable Mention: The Bone Rangers

Padric Sullivan (trombone), **Genesis Morales** (trombone), **Calleigh Riordan** (trombone), **Jonathan Martinez** (bass trombone)

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