MISSOURI MUSIC TEACHERS ASSOCIATION

RESULTS 2024

Young Artist Performance (Piano)

Award	Recipient	Teacher	Institution
Winner	Chaihun Kim	Wei-han Su	Missouri State University
Alternate	Evan Joseph Minsk	Jeffrey Savage	University of Missouri – Kansas City
Honorable Mention	Sanjana Dhanasekaran	Hye Jung Hong	Missouri State University
Honorable Mention	Shawn Jian Yue Lee	Wei-han Su	Missouri State University

Undergraduate Upper

Award	Name	Teacher	Institution
Winner	Suyeon Yang	Hye Jung Hong	Missouri State University
Runner-Up	Charlene Lee	Wei-Han Su	Missouri State University
Honorable Mention	Emily Eifert	Clara Christian	College of the Ozarks

Undergraduate Lower

Award	Name	Teacher	Institution
Winner	Yeawon Kim	Hye Jung Hong	Missouri State University
Runner-Up	Ted Krause	Peter Miyamoto	University of Missouri – Columbia
Honorable Mention	Bryce Ramsbottom	Peter Miyamoto	University of Missouri – Columbia

Piano Graduate

Position	Name	Teacher	Institution
Winner	Jinhong Yoo	Peter Miyamoto	University of Missouri-Kansas City
Runner-Up	Elizabeth Chang	Christopher Madden	University of Missouri-Kansas City

Position	Name	Teacher	Institution
Honorable Mentions	Juchan Lee	Hye Jung Hong	Missouri State University

Piano Duet Undergraduate

Position	Name	Teacher	Institution
Winner	Sanjana Dhanasekaran / Suyeon Yang	Hye Jung Hong	Missouri State University
Runner-Up	Abby Lowe / Emily Eifert	Clara Christian	College of the Ozarks

Piano Duet Graduate

Award	Winners	Teacher	University
Winner	Zhi-Wei Chen / Ying- Chieh Chu	Wei-Han Su	Missouri State University

Young Artist Performance (Woodwind)

Award	Name	Teacher	University
Winner	Harper Rose Golden	Jesse Krebs	Truman State University
Alternate	Jennifer Jones	Jesse Krebs	Truman State University
Honorable Mention	Conlan Michael Boatman	Matthew Tracy	Missouri State University

Award	Name	Teacher	University
Honorable Mention	Yongzhuo Zhu	Jesse Krebs	Truman State University

Young Artist Performance (Strings)

Position	Name	Teacher	University
Winner	Elaina Brooke Maurer	Perna Leslie	University of Missouri – Columbia
Alternate	Elise Marie Thierbach	Daniel Ketter	Missouri State University

MMTA Collegiate Brass

Brass Ensemble Graduate

Award	Winners	Teacher	University
Winner	Slide Syndicate: Brady Perkins, Maxwell Brower, David Kolb, Gavin King	Jason Hausback	Missouri State University

Brass Undergraduate Lower

Award	Name	Teacher	University
Winner	Matt Redshaw	Iskander Akhmadullin	University of Missouri – Columbia

Award	Name	Teacher	University
Runner-Up	David Kolb	Jason Hausback	Missouri State University
Honorable Mention	Dyllan Day	Nicholas Kenney	Southeast Missouri State University
Honorable Mention	Eli Sullivan	Nicholas Kenney	Southeast Missouri State University
Honorable Mention	Wesley Miner	Theodore Learnard	Central Methodist University

Brass Graduate

Award	Name	Teacher	University
Winner	Jesse Hamilton	Iskander Akhmadullin	University of Missouri – Columbia
Runner-Up	Brandon Sconce	Iskander Akhmadullin	University of Missouri – Columbia
Honorable Mention	Jonah Hammontree	Angelo Manzo	University of Missouri – Columbia

Brass Undergraduate Upper

Award	Recipient	Teacher	University
Winner	Tyler Martindale	Timothy Howe	University of Missouri – Columbia
Runner-Up	Christopher Gentilia	Angelo Manzo	University of Missouri – Columbia
Honorable Mention	Maxwell Brower	Jason Hausback	Missouri State University

Award	Recipient	Teacher	University
Honorable Mention	Samantha Record	Grant Peters	Missouri State University
Honorable Mention	Michael Ladage	Grant Peters	Missouri State University
Honorable Mention	Jordan Pavelka	Nicholas Kenney	Southeast Missouri State University

MMTA Collegiate Woodwind

Woodwind Ensemble:

Award	Winners	Teacher	University
Winners	Samantha Decker Meghan Brown Jane Guillot-Beinke Alexis Paten	Wes Warnhoff	University of Missouri – Columbia

Woodwind Undergraduate Lower

Award	Name	Teacher	University
Winner	David Garcia	Leo Saguiguit	University of Missouri – Columbia
Runner-Up	Matthew Kim	Wes Warnhoff	University of Missouri – Columbia
Honorable Mention	Andrew Meyer	Xin Gao	Truman State University

Position	Name	Teacher	University
Winner	Clayton Greenlee	Leo Saguiguit	University of Missouri – Columbia
Runner Up	George Szabo	Leo Saguiguit	University of Missouri – Columbia

Woodwind Graduate

Award	Name	Teacher	University
Winner	Haochuan Zhang	Xin Gao	Truman State University
Runner Up	Shigan Zong	Xin Gao	Truman State University
Honorable Mention	Danilo Viquez	Jesse Krebs	Truman State University

MMTA Collegiate Strings

Undergraduate Upper

Position	Name	Teacher	University
Winner	Wendy Kleintank	Eva Szekely	University of Missouri – Columbia
Runner Up	Cheyenne Blair	Eli Lara	University of Missouri – Columbia

Position	Name	Teacher	University
Honorable Mention	Samuel Caldwell	Sue Stubbs	University of Missouri – Columbia
Honorable Mention	Maya Combs	Joannna Mendoza	University of Missouri – St. Louis

Undergraduate Lower

Award	Name	Teacher	University
Winner	Inyoung Kim	Leslie Perna	University of Missouri – Columbia
Runner Up	Luke Reaume	Sue Stubbs	University of Missouri – Columbia and Missouri State University
Honorable Mention	Kara Lawson	Leslie Perna	University of Missouri – Columbia

Graduate

Award	Winners	Teacher	University
Winner	Alexandre Augusto da Silva Negrao	Eva Szekely	University of Missouri – Columbia

Senior Performance (Piano)

Category	Name	Teacher
Winner	Jerry Chang	Zena Ilyashov
Alternate	Brayden Miao	Hye-Jung Hong, Wei-han Su
Honorable Mention	Devin Edward Datta	Yulia Rife
Honorable Mention	Asher Le Koh	Vera Parkin

Junior Performance (Piano)

Award	Recipient	Teacher
Winner	Lanie Liu Deng	Hye Jung Hong
Alternate	Xiaowei Wang	Hye Jung Hong
Honorable Mention	Charis Shing	Annette Burkhart NCTM

Senior Performance (Strings)

Award	Name	Teacher
Winner	Eric Michael Chen	Pavel Ilyashov
Alternate	Zoe Baldwin	Joo Kim
Honorable Mention	Aiden Moon	Joo Kim

Junior Performance (Strings)

Position	Name	Teacher
Winner	Charis Shing	Joo Kim

Position	Name	Teacher
Alternate	Eric Chang	Pavel Ilyashov
Honorable Mention	Elsa Flora Heaton	Hannah Ji

Piano Duet

Grade 1-3:

Award	Winners	Teacher
Winner	Nathaniel Chiu, Thomas Brinton	Teacher: Helen Chiu

Grade 4-6:

Award	Winners	Teacher
Winner	Jolina Kuo, Alexa Brinton	Helen Chiu, Laureen Di Bisceglie
Runner-up	Nathanael Nguyen, Philip Nguyen	Eunsil Stevenson
Honorable Mention	Chelsea Zuo, Ellie Gao	Sue Chiu
Honorable Mention	Benjamin Parker, Miriam Buckner	Emily Parker

Grade 7-9:

Award	Winners	Teachers	Â
Winner	Emmaus Tzeng, Alexis Chang	Helen Chiu, Annie Tzeng	
Runner-up	Mihika Biju, Vidhee Soneta	Julia Yu	
Honorable Mention	Charles Kriegel, Isaac Lach	Eva Peng	

Grade 10-12:

Title	Name(s)	Teacher
Winner	Yueheng Wang, Ellie Chen	Sue Chiu
Runner-up	Jihyo Jung, Seunghyo Jung	Ayako Tsuruta
Honorable Mention	Nadia Parker, Samuel Buckner	Emily Parker

Piano Solo

Grade: Pre-K – Kindergarten:

Award	Name	Teacher
Winner	Xinshi Hu	Huiyun Liang
Runner-up	Abigail Nguyen	Eunsil Stevenson
Honorable Mention	Alexander McKinney	Jennifer Judd

Grade 1:

Position	Name	Teacher
Winner	Anruo Wang	Katarina Stojicevic
Runner-up	Nicholas Mehta	Huiyun Liang
Honorable Mention	Avery Wang	Julia Yu

Grade 2:

Award	Name	Teacher
Winner	Thomas Brinton	Helen Chiu
Runner-up	Scarlett Hamilton	Alla Voskoboynikova
Honorable Mention	Belle Dong	Julia Yu
Honorable Mention	Kushal Zei	Angela Cox
Honorable Mention	Luca Radulescu	Natalia Bolshakov
Honorable Mention	Iris Tang	Yulia Rife

Award	Name	Teacher
Honorable Mention	Epsilon Nguyen	Tabitha Case
Honorable Mention	Geoffrey Zhong	Yulia Rife

Grade 3:

Category	Name	Teacher
Winner	Acadia Tackitt	Yulia Rife
Runner-up	Leonardo Badino	Katarina Stojicevic
Honorable Mention	Cindy Yang	Yulia Rife
Honorable Mention	Zoe Lu	Julia Yu
Honorable Mention	lan An	Irina Svirnovskiy
Honorable Mention	Ozan Carter	Sarah Johnson
Honorable Mention	April Zhang	Inessa Kaplan
Honorable Mention	Jennie Liang	Jennifer Jia
Honorable Mention	David Kim	Kimberly Katz
Honorable Mention	Astra Wang	Julia Smith
Honorable Mention	Nathaniel Chiu	Helen Chiu
Honorable Mention	Emma Song	Inessa Kaplan

Grade 4A:

Award	Name	Teacher
Winner	Becky Han	Natalia Bolshakov

Award	Name	Teacher
Runner-up	Alexander Hays	Meredith Taylor
Honorable Mention	Roselyn Kim	Kimberly Katz
Honorable Mention	Maggie Chen	Valentina Gurevich
Honorable Mention	Norah Smith	Natalia Bolshakov

Grade 4B:

Award	Name	Teacher
Winner	Muyang Liu	Zena Ilyshov
Runner-up	Philip Nguyen	Eunsil Stevenson
Honorable Mention	Theodore Alexander	Johanna Ballou

Grade 5A:

Award	Name	Teacher
Winner	Yik-Kiu Zoey Lau	Yulia Rife
Runner-up	Jialin Yang	Zena Ilyashov
Honorable Mention	Keven Li	Irina Svirnovskiy
Honorable Mention	Ethan Dong	Zena Ilyashov
Honorable Mention	Daniel Oh	Natalia Bolshakov
Honorable Mention	Amy Li Zhou	Ayako Tsuruta
Honorable Mention	Evan An	Zena Ilyashov
Honorable Mention	Shan Zhou	Irina Svirnovskiy

Award	Name	Teacher
Honorable Mention	Elysia Wang	Yulia Rife
Honorable Mention	River McEntee	Jeremy Chesman

Grade 5B:

Award	Name	Teacher
Winner	Nikolai McKinney	Jennifer Judd
Runner-up	Alexa Brinton	Laureen Di Biscegli
Honorable Mention	Alyssa Wang	Julia Yu
Honorable Mention	Jason Lai	Inessa Kaplan
Honorable Mention	Eric Dong	Julia Yu
Honorable Mention	Evren Carter	Sarah Johnson

Grade 6A:

Award	Name	Teacher
Winner	Jolina Kuo	Helen Chiu
Runner-up	Angela Wang	Helen Chiu
Honorable Mention	Chloe Tan	Zena Ilyashov
Honorable Mention	Audrey Tang	Zena Ilyashov
Honorable Mention	Carina Y Chiu	Yulia Rife
Honorable Mention	Dylan Ma	Jennifer Jia

Grade 6B:

Award	Name	Teacher
Winner	Dylan Zheng	Hye-Jung Hong
Runner-up	Lara Elaneed	Yulia Rife
Honorable Mention	Laura Zhou	Inessa Kaplan

Award	Name	Teacher
Honorable Mention	Layden Setyadi	Aijung Lin
Honorable Mention	Ari Treskov	Alla Voskoboynikova
Honorable Mention	Dillon An	Irina Svirnovskiy

Grade 7A:

Award	Name	Teacher
Winner	Daniel Hu	Wen Shen
Runner-up	Landry Pendleton	Melissa Duncan
Honorable Mention	Kelson Cui	Valentina Gurevich
Honorable Mention	Zachary Kuznetsov	Irina Svirnovskiy
Honorable Mention	Ronav Sawardekar	Julia Yu

Grade 7B

Award	Name	Teacher
Winner	Collin Zhang	Nina Ferrigno
Runner-up	Samer Elaneed	Yulia Rife
Honorable Mention	Edward Shen	Irina Svirnovskiy
Honorable Mention	Alice Chang	Jennifer Jia
Honorable Mention	Brynna Knox	Judy Walters
Honorable Mention	Claire Benolkin	Matthew Pankratz
Honorable Mention	Viveka Zhang	Gwen/Guoyao Wen
Honorable Mention	Simon Shen	Valentina Gurevich
Honorable Mention	Estelle Zhang	Zena Ilyashov
Honorable Mention	Allie Fang	Zena Ilyashov
Honorable Mention	Albert Shi	Irina Svirnovskiy

Grade 8A:

Award	Name	Teacher
Winner	Evan Gao	Julia Yu
Runner-up	Grace Qi	Gwen/Guoyao Wen
Honorable Mention	Louwyn An	Zena Ilyashov
Honorable Mention	Apollo Chu	Nina Ferrigno
Honorable Mention	Justin Zhou	Grace Yin
Honorable Mention	Jacob Siffer	Zena Ilyashov
Honorable Mention	Ethan Song	Cheryl Stewart
Honorable Mention	Katie Brinton	Helen Chiu

Grade 8B:

Award	Name	Teacher
Winner	Sarina Zheng	Hye-Jung Hong

Award	Name	Teacher
Runner-up	Betsy Carroll	Nina Ferrigno
Honorable Mention	Danielle Xu	Kathy Mazzeo
Honorable Mention	Jeffrey Zhang	Jennifer Jia
Honorable Mention	Grant Criswell	Cynthia Graeler
Honorable Mention	Ishetha Ramprasa	Natalie Mayor

Grade 9A:

Award	Name	Teacher
Winner	Nathan Polk	Daniela Koyen
Runner-up	Jackson Brinton	Young Whun Kim
Honorable Mention	Max Qi	Ayako Tsuruta
Honorable Mention	Kevin He	Helen Chiu
Honorable Mention	Kayden Xue	Helen Chiu
Honorable Mention	Collin Jackson	Helen Chiu

Grade 9B:

Award	Name	Teacher
Winner	Alexis Chang	Zena Ilyshov
Runner-up	Alden Kim	Vera Parkin
Honorable Mention	Emmaus Tzeng	Zena Ilyashov
Honorable Mention	Lucas Ruan	Zena Ilyashov
Honorable Mention	Christina Wang	Yulia Rife

Grade 10:

Award	Name	Teacher
Winner	Michael Ciccarelli	Kimberly Katz
Runner-up	Olivia Cinsky	Aijung Lin
Honorable Mention	Lillian Chen	Helen Chiu
Honorable Mention	Zach Zheng	Zena Ilyashov

Award	Name	Teacher
Honorable Mention	Henna Lee	Yulia Rife

Grade 11:

Award	Name	Teacher
Winner	Enoch Wong	Eunsil Stevenson
Runner-up	Adam Siffer	Zena Ilyashov
Honorable Mention	Tyler He	Annette Burkhart
Honorable Mention	Hannah Wang	Jennifer Spohr
Honorable Mention	Nathan Crutchley	Cynthia Graeler
Honorable Mention	Olive Straka	Johanna Ballou
Honorable Mention	Eugene Wu	Helen Chiu

Grade 12:

Award	Name	Teacher
Winner	Naomi Meng	Robert Carney
Runner-up	Ryan Huang	Zena Ilyashov
Honorable Mention	Luke Reske	Donna Vince
Honorable Mention	Courtney Wu	Zena Ilyashov
Honorable Mention	Grace Luo	Wei-Han Su
Honorable Mention	Landon Fambrough	Cathy Benton

Pre-collegiate Strings

Grade 1-3:

Position	Name	Teacher
Winner	Robert Liu	Pavel Ilyashov
Runner-up	Scarlett Hamilton	Rebecca Chung

Grade 4-6:

Award	Name	Teacher
Winner	Maxwell Zhang	Joo Kim
Runner-up	Louis Chen	Pavel Ilyashov
Honorable Mention	Amy Zhao	Siri Geenen
Honorable Mention	Ben Wolff	Siri Geenen

Grade 7-9:

Position	Name	Teacher
Winner	Isabel Lau	Jessica Hellwege
Runner-up	Lily Finkel	Amy Appold
Honorable Mention	Abigail Sones	Siri Geenen
Honorable Mention	Andrew Fei	Rebecca Chung

Position	Name	Teacher
Honorable Mention	Aiden Kim	Jun Seo
Honorable Mention	Griffin Ray	Jun Seo
Honorable Mention	lan Chung	Pavel Ilyashov

Grade 10-12:

Category	Name	Teacher
Winner	Katherine Nguyen	Joanna Mendoza
Runner-up	Roman Bunn	David Hays
Honorable Mention	Reid Huntley	Joanna Mendoza
Honorable Mention	Holly Davis	Jun Seo
Honorable Mention	Haowen Liu	Hannah Ji

Pre-Collegiate Harp and Guitar

Grade 7-9:

Position	Name	Teacher
Winner	Shiloh Sachse	Gina Edwards
Runner-up	Angela Tan	Jeremy Chesman

Grade 10-12:

Position	Name	Teacher
Winner	Ruby Wilder	Gina Edwards
Runner-up	Elora Ouellette	Gina Edwards

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