

Orange County Los Angeles County Conejo Valley Outer Cities

March 1, 2015

#### Hello JCM Students, Coaches and Teachers,

We are thrilled to announce the winners of yesterday's concerto competition! Winner - Jaimee Cao; 1st Alternate - Nicholas Mendez; and Honorable Mention - Sarah Kave. Congratulations to each of you, and thank you to all of the competitors, judges and organizers of this event. Our second competition of the season will take place in April. Read on to find out what we have in store for you this month.

**Final Concerts:** This month we celebrate the JCM season with our Final Concerts. Please invite your family and friends to attend these wonderful events. Locations, dates and times below. **Please note the venue change for Conejo Valley**.

**Chamber Music Workshops:** RSVP today to ensure your spot - seating is limited, and attendance at either a workshop or a master class is mandatory if you would like to be considered for a summer scholarship.

Orange Coast College Gallery Concert: Tuesday, March 3, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. Orange Coast College - Music Department, 2701 Fairview Rd, Costa Mesa, CA 92626. This event is free and open to the public. Join us!

**Newport Beach Public Library's Saturday Concert Series:** This Saturday's concert, **March 7, 2015** (11:00 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.) will feature chamber works by JCM and Pacific Symphony Youth Ensemble ensembles. Join us at the Newport Beach Public Library (1000 Avocado Ave., Newport Beach, CA 92660). This event is free and open to the public.

JCMSSA: The next JCMSSA concert will take place on Sunday, March 22, 2015 at 3:30 p.m. Thank you, Lauren Hong, for coordinating these events!

**JCM-CAPMT OC Symphony Competition:** (open to all students) **April 18, 2105**. The Grand Prize and First Place winners will perform with the Orange County Symphony. Applications close March 15th.

**JCM-AVSOMC Concerto Competition:** Winner - **Jaimee Cao**; 1st Alternate - **Nicholas Mendez**; and Honorable Mention - **Sarah Kave**. As the winner of the competition, Jaimee will perform Vieuxtemps' Violin Concerto No. 5 in A minor with the Antelope Valley Symphony Orchestra, conducted by David Newby,

on March 28, 2015. For concert details and ticketing information, please **click here.** Scroll down to read Jaimee's bio.

**Music in the Mountains:** Music, s'mores, paintball, fun and games - this year's tour had it all. Thank you to our faculty members who joined us on the tour: **Laura Davey**, **Laszlo Mezo**, and **Linnea Powell**.

**Student News:** Congratulations to JCM OC Group 3: **Thompson Wang** (violin), **Sedong Hwang** (cello), and **Ethan Yoshioka** (piano)! They will be competing in the MTAC VOCE State Finals in April. Congratulations to **Logan Penrod** (tuba), **Kenny Abbott** (trumpet) and JCM alumna **Danielle Braga** (piano)! Each has been nominated for OC Register's 2015 Artist of the Year. You can view the complete list of nominees **here**.

#### **Happy Practicing!**

### **FINAL CONCERTS**



Los Angeles: Sunday, March 8, 2015 (2:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m.) at Thayer Hall, The Colburn School of Music, 200 S. Grand Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90012

**Orange County & Inland Empire:** Saturday, March 28, 2015 (1:00 p.m., 4:00 p.m., and 7:00 p.m.) at Winifred Smith Hall, UC Irvine, 4002 Mesa Rd, Irvine, CA 92697

**Conejo Valley:** Sunday, March 29, 2015 (5:30 p.m.) at Overton Hall, California Lutheran University, 60 West Olsen Road, Thousand Oaks, CA 91360

## **CHAMBER MUSIC WORKSHOPS**

**OC Branch Workshop:** 

Sunday, Mar. 15 (2:00-3:30 p.m.) with William Fitzpatrick at Chapman University

#### RSVP TODAY to minji@juniorchambermusic.org

\* Student performers have already been chosen for this workshop, but please come and observe.

#### **IE Branch Workshop:**

Sunday, Mar. 8 (4:30-6:00 p.m.) with Dr. Ernest Salem in Chino Hills

RSVP TODAY to wenting@juniorchambermusic.org

## **JCMSSA**



Our next JCMSSA Concert for the Orange County Branch will be held at Vivante Senior Living (1460 Monrovia Ave, Costa Mesa 92627) on **Sunday, March 22, 2015 at 3:30 pm**. Both solo and chamber pieces are welcome! Each participant will be rewarded with five hours of community service credit, and the concert will last no more than an hour and a half. Please fill out the **online application** by March 18th if interested, and email Lauren at **icmssa.online@gmail.com** with any questions.

#### JCM-CAPMT OC SYMPHONY COMPETITION



Open to all branches, the JCM-CAPMT OC Symphony Competition will take place on April 18, 2015. The Grand Prize and First Place winners will perform their piece with the Orange County Symphony, conducted by Dr. David Rentz.

For complete rules, click here.

To enter, fill out an <u>online application here</u> and send in your non-refundable application fee of \$50 (payable to JCM) to: Dr. Mlnji Noh (Attn: YMCC), 216 W. Pebble Creek Lane, Orange, CA 92865

(Application deadline: March 15, 2015)

# Jaimee Cao, violin - Winner JCM-AVSOMC Concerto Competition

Jaimee, 15, is a sophomore at Century Academy. She began her violin lessons with Deborah MacCallum at age five and currently studies with Gayaneh Kumar. In her early years of violin study, Jaimee received scholarship awards from the Fe Bland Foundation and the Santa Barbara Performing Arts Scholarship Foundation. More recently, Jaimee won first place at the Southern California Bach Junior Festival Complete Works Competition in both the junior and senior divisions. She also won first place at the Greater Los Angeles Solo Competition by the American String Teachers Association and second place at the MTAC VOCE State Final. On 2014 Easter Sunday, Jaimee made her Carnegie



Hall debut as a winner of the American Protégé International Piano and Strings Competition. In school, Jaimee is a straight A honor student. Besides violin, Jaimee enjoys reading and being with her friends.





Nicholas Mendez, piano - 1st Alternate
JCM-AVSOMC Concerto Competition
Sarah Kave, cello - Honorable Mention JCMAVSOMC Concerto Competition

## **MUSIC IN THE MOUNTAINS - 2015**









A fantastic final concert concluded a weekend of music, fun and games! To view more photos from our 2015 Music in the Mountains Tour, visit us on Facebook!



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