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*Conchord Music presents:*

# Hearts in Harmony

April 26, 2025

3:00pm - 4:30pm

Crossroads Community Center,  
Bellevue

# program:

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## **Nina Iorik (Piano)**

J.S. Bach – Selected Four-Part Chorales

## **Annie Liu (Flute)**

Jules Mouquet – La Flute de Pan, Op. 15, Mov. 1

## **Yuyang Liu (Piano)**

Liszt – Concert Etude No. 2 "La leggerezza"

## **Isabella Son (Cello)**

J.S. Bach – Suite No. 3, Sarabande

-intermission (15 min)-

## **Michelle Cao (Piano)**

Haydn – Sonata in E Major, Hob. XVI31, Mov. 1



## **Joyce Ye (Piano)**

Liszt – Un Sospiro

## **Charles Lee (Cello)**

J.S. Bach – Suite No. 2, Prelude

## **Courtney Tam (Piano)**

Schubert – Ave Maria  
Ravel – Jeux d'eau



# musician bios:

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**Michelle Cao** is a 12th grader at Newport High School and will be attending Northwestern University in the fall. She started playing the piano at the age of 6 with Yunbo Cassady and has been a student of Dr. Sasha Starceovich since 2019. Recently, Michelle was selected as a “From the Top” finalist and won National Chopin Foundation Scholarship, 2nd place at 2024 OPUS Nationals, 2nd place at Aloha Int’l Piano Competition, and gold medals in US Chopin NW. Her profound passion for community service has inspired her to found ConChord Music, a nonprofit organization dedicated to promoting unity and mental health awareness in our communities through various music events.



**Nina Iorik** is a 14-year-old pianist from Seattle. Her mission is to help the community and to inspire others with her music. She regularly performs at various events for different communities, from fundraisers to recitals at senior homes.



**Charles Lee** is a 17-year-old cellist from Seattle, Washington who is currently studying with Taeguk Mun. Since the age of 4, he has distinguished himself in numerous competitions, with his most recent accomplishments including 2024 and 2025 National YoungArts Winner, 2nd place at the Coltman National Chamber Music Competition, and 1st place in Camerata Music Competition. Additionally, last summer, he attended the Chamber Music Northwest Young Artist Institute, and this summer he will be attending the Perlman Music Program. Outside of music, he enjoys playing with and watching cats, bouldering, and reading.



**Courtney Tam** is a junior at Newport High School and has been studying piano under Dr. Yelena Balabanova since 2011. She has performed with the Everett Philharmonic Orchestra as the Grand Prix winner of the SCMTA Concerto Competition, as well as with the Mukilteo Orchestra and in Carnegie Hall. She recently presented a solo fundraising concert with an hour-long program. Her awards include gold medals at numerous local and international competitions, in addition to several scholarships. Courtney accompanies her school choir and is the current president of ConChord Music, having performed in over 20 events as part of the organization.



**Annie Liu** is a 5th grader at Medina Elementary School. She has been studying flute for 3 years and played in Seattle Youth Orchestra. Annie enjoys exploring nature. She has hiked numerous trails with her family and camped in many state and national parks.



**Joyce Ye**, a seventh grader at Explorer Middle School, has been a student of Dr. Yelena Balabanova since 2016. Joyce has been recognized with many awards, including multiple gold medals at the Chopin Northwest Festival, WPTA Singapore International, Outstanding performance Prize in the International French Music Competition, and more. She was also selected to represent SCMTA in the Honors recital at the WSMTA State Conference. In 2023 Joyce won SCMTA Concerto competition and performed Mozart Concerto in C Major K. 467 with Mukilteo Community Orchestra. In summer 2024 Joyce attended the Seattle Piano Institute and the prestigious Young Artists Seminar at the Cleveland Institute on Music. In her free time, Joyce likes to read and play sports like tennis and volleyball.



**Yuyang Liu**, age 12, began studying piano at the age of 5. He moved from Minnesota to Washington in 2021 and has been studying under the direction of Dr. Sasha Starceovich since then. In addition to studying the piano, Yuyang also plays violin and saxophone.



Since four, **Isabella Son** has been playing the cello under the tutelage of Dr. Lee, and has participated in outside chamber groups in conjunction with weekly rehearsals at Seattle's Youth Symphony Orchestra. In her free time, she enjoys playing piano on the side while taking occasional weekend hikes around the neighborhood.