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JAMES R. ANTHONY HONORS RECITAL

SATURDAY, JUNE 4, 2022

El Conquistador Tucson

James R. Anthony Honors Recital

Elementary 1 Piano

Sonatine in C Major, III. Rondo

William Gillock

Landon Frolov Qingqing Ye, teacher 3rd Prize

French Suite No. 2 in C Minor, BWV 813, Menuet Yihan Yang Svetlana Arakelova, teacher 2nd Prize

Johann Sebastian Bach

Etudes, Op. 100 nos. 3, 4 & 6

Johann Friedrich Burgmuller

Lynette Chun Sherin Moustafa, teacher 1st Prize *Pee-Yaw Lim Wilkes Endowment Award

Elementary 2 Piano

Sonata in F Major, Hob.XV1:23, II. Andante con moto Ayla Takeda-Moreno Svetlana Arakelova, teacher 3rd Prize

Franz Joseph Haydn

Sonata in F Major, K.518/L.116

Domenico Scarlatti

Daniel Rakes Natalya Thran, teacher 2nd Prize

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Sonata in C Major, Hob.XVI:35, I.Allegro con brio Alexis Dyche Ji-Young Kim, teacher 1st Prize

Franz Joseph Haydn

Intermediate 1 Piano

Nocturne in C-sharp Minor, Op. 19 no. 4

Aiden Zhou Tatyana Eldridge, teacher

3rd Prize

Variations on "Nel cor piu non mi sento"

Ludwig van Beethoven

Piotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky

David Li Natalya Thran, teacher 2nd Prize *James Saverio Ruccolo Award

Birds, Book 1

Seymour Bernstein

Kyle Gu Yuerong Gong, teacher Ist Prize * Pee Yaw Lim Wilkes Endowment Award

Intermediate 2 Piano

Waltz in F Major, Op. 34 No .3

Frederic Chopin

Jessica Frolov
Qingqing Ye, teacher
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Sonata in A Major P.893.06, II. Toccata

Pietro Domenico Paradisi

Sophia Chen Natalya Thran, teacher *James Saverio Ruccolo Award Sonata in F Major, op. 10 No. 2, I. Allegro Chaean Lee

Chaean Lee Ji-Young Kim, teacher 3rd Prize Ludwig van Beethoven

The Lark

Mikhail Glinka

Ashley Jo Ji-Young Kim, teacher 2nd Prize

Sonata in A Major, Op. 2 No.2, I. Allegro vivace
Jimmy Kwon
Kyungsun Choi, teacher
1st Prize

Ludwig van Beethoven

Strings - Harp

"Reverie" from Trios Petites Pieces

Alphonse Hasselmans

Emma Busby Alla Yashneva, teacher 3rd Prize

Fire Dance From Petite Suite for Harp

David Watkins

Emma Holmes Alla Yashneva, teacher 3rd Prize

The Minstrel's Adieu to His Native Land

John Thomas

Kayla Lee Alla Yashneva, teacher 2nd Prize Audrey Zhang Alla Yashneva, teacher Ist Prize

Advanced 1 Piano

Standchen, D. 957, No.4

Franz Schubert/Franz Liszt

Raymond Cheng
Qingqing Ye, teacher
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Prelude & Fugue in G Minor, BWV 861

Johann Sebastian Bach

Yoobin Cha Soo Yoen Kim, teacher 3rd Prize

Prelude in G-sharp Minor, Op.32 No.12

Sergei Rachmaninoff

Milton Lin Jessica Yam, teacher 3rd Prize

Images, I. Reflets dans l"eau

Claude Debussy

Brayden Wagner Natalya Thran, teacher 2nd Prize *James Saverio Ruccolo Award

Sonata in D Minor, Op.14, I. Allegro ma non troppo Bryan Zhang Kyungsun Choi, teacher 1st Prize Sergei Prokofiev

Advanced 2 Piano

Pour le Piano, I. Prelude

Claude Debussy

Renee Li Kyungsun Choi, teacher 3rd Prize

Ballade in G Minor, Op. 23

Frederic Chopin

Ludwig van Beethoven

Jarron Deng Qingqing Ye, teacher 2nd Prize * James Saverio Ruccolo Award

Sonata in C Major, Op. 53, I. Allegro con brio Jisue Choi

Kyungsun Choi, teacher

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1st Prize

<u>Adjudicators</u>

Preliminaries

Dr. Fanya Lin, piano

Dr. Frank Huang, piano

Dr. Janice Saffir, piano

Finals

Dr. Mandarin Cheung-Yueh, piano

Dr. Radmila Stojanovic-Kiriluk, piano

Dr. Raymond Ryder, piano

Dr. Daniel Linder, piano

Dr. Alexander Tentser, piano

Chase Coleman, piano

Dr. Christine Vivona, harp

James Saverio Ruccolo Award

Few people arrived in mid-to-late 20th Century America equipped to accept the title of the complete musician more than James Saverio Ruccolo. Born in Akron, Ohio, James displayed exceptional gifts in music from early childhood, playing accordion, clarinet, and trombone. The piano and its potential particularly captured his heart and mind at age 13, and the synergy they produced was wonderful to behold. His talent matured into extraordinary skills in both the classical and jazz genres. He played with equal skill, respect and insight, with dazzling technique and musical prowess received by enthusiastic audience applause. His skills as a classical pianist and jazz artist are well documented with rave reviews throughout career performances and recordings. His distinctive interpretations of jazz improvisation were living affirmations of his opinion that jazz was meant to be played freely at the moment of conception, rather than as a learned skill such as in classical music literature. He stated that jazz required playing this style of music spontaneously, while it was actually being created. In addition to piano and jazz performance, he wrote music in several composition genres. Collectively, they express a unique combination of his life-experiences, his education and tremendous gifts as a creative person. Each composition allows the listener to intimately know this man as a complete musician and creator.

James' musical curiosity and probing intellect emerged and expanded, leading to world-class educational opportunities and culminating in an impressive list of achievements in performance, composition, and teaching. Most notably, his education included an Eastman School of Music Bachelors Degree in Music as a Rochester National Scholar, graduating second in his class. He then earned a Masters Degree in Music Composition, Summa Cum Laude, from Arizona State university, followed by a Doctorate in Musical Arts Degree in Piano, Summa Cum Laude, as a National Defense Education Act Fellow from the University of Arizona. Dr. Ruccolo's education further included study with many notable piano artist teachers such as Grant Johannesen, Cicile Genhart, Jose Echaniz, Armand Basile, Dalles Franz, and Ozan Marsh, along with published composition teachers Clifton Williams, Robert Muzynski, and Grant Fletcher.

Dr. Ruccolo held the position of Artist-in-Residence and Music Program Director at Prescott College for four years. Until his death in 1985, he served as Professor of Music in Piano at Arizona State University. During his tenure, he taught piano majors, served as a Coordinator of Keyboard Studies, and conducted state and national master classes, adjudicated piano competitions, performed and recorded from live concerts. James Ruccolo's success in performance, recording, and composition, enhanced by an appointment as an Artist representative of the United States Cultural Embassy Department, are living proof that he learned from others while relying heavily on that which is spirit-born.

The Ruccolo Award is graciously donated to the ASMTA Honors Recital by Dr. Margaret Roebke Ruccolo.

Pee-Yaw Lim Wilkes Endowment Award

Pee-Yaw Lim Wilkes was a graduate of the Royal College of Music in London, where she earned her LRSM, LRAM and ACRM diplomas.

Pee-Yaw is remembered for her wonderful talent as a concert pianist and for producing the highest caliber, competitive level students. She was also much sought after as a piano adjudicator and as a national and international piano pedagogue and lecturer.

She held many leadership roles such as: Northern Arizona Music Teachers Association president, Arizona State Music Teacher Association president, and Music Teachers National Association Southwest Division president. These organizations honored her with many awards including a Music Teachers National Association 50- Year Member Award and the Arizona State Music Teachers Association Honorary Lifetime Member Award.

The Pee-Yaw Lim Wilkes Endowment Award has been established to promote support and encouragement to promising, up and coming talented young pianists.