

2005 Klein Competition News

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Winners Announced at 20th Annual Klein International String Competition

Competition Director Mitchell S. Klein awarded the top five prizes in the 20th Anniversary Irving M. Klein International String Competition on June 11, 2005. **Mihai Marica**, a 21-year-old cellist from Romania, was awarded the prestigious First Prize, the \$10,500 Maurice Kursh Memorial Award. Mr Marica is a student of Aldo Parisot at the Yale School of Music. The Kursh Award includes concert engagements with the Santa Cruz and Peninsula Symphonies as well as recital performances at the Ralston Concert Series at Notre Dame de Namur University in Belmont, CA. Four other prizes were bestowed. Second Prize, including \$5,000 in honor of Bill Bloomfield, was awarded to violinist **Tee Khoon Tang**, 21, from the New England Conservatory and a student of

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Donald Weilerstein. Third Prize, including \$1,500 in memory of Alice Anne Roberts, was awarded to violinist **Ilana Setapen**, 21, who begins a professional studies degree at Colburn School of Music in Los Angeles this fall. Fourth Prize, including \$1,000 recognizing the Hughes Family Trust, was awarded to violinist **Katherine Eberle**, 22, a candidate for an Artist Diploma at the

Colburn School of Performing Arts and a student of Robert Lipsett. Fifth Prize, including \$250 in memory of Lena and Jules P. Flock, was awarded to violinist **Rachel Harding**, 22, from the Cleveland Institute of Music, where she studies with David and Linda Cerone.

Mr. Marica was also awarded the Allan R. Weiss Memorial Prize for the best performance of the required commissioned work by local composer Jeffrey Miller, following the semi-finals on June 10.

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Cellist Mihai Marica

Mihai Marica Performances in 2006

As part of his First Prize in this year's Klein Competition, cellist Mihai Marica will perform at several times in early 2006. Please mark your calendars and be sure to attend the following performances:

Sunday, January 29, 2006, 3pm: Ralston Concert Series, Notre Dame de Namurs University, 1500 Ralston Avenue, Belmont, CA (650) 508-2429
Friday, March 10, 8pm, Saturday, March 11, 8pm: Peninsula Symphony, San Mateo and Cupertino, CA (650) 941-5291 www.peninsulasymphony.org
Saturday, March 18, 8pm, Sunday, March 19, 2006, 2pm: Santa Cruz Symphony, Tchaikovsky Variations on a Roccoco Theme, Santa Cruz (831) 462-0553 www.santacruzsymphony.com



Where They Are Now: Klein Winner Updates



** Violist **David Kim** (2nd, 2004) performed Bartok with the Hudson Valley Philharmonic in December, and will be featured at the Stearns Institute at Ravinia in March.

** Cellist **Joshua Roman** (3rd, 2004, 3rd, 2003) was awarded 2nd Prize at the 2005 HAMS Competition in October.

** Cellist **Yves Dharamraj** (3rd, 2004) was awarded the Second

Prize at the 2005 Houston Symphony Ima Hogg Young Artists Competition.

** Violinist **Clara Lyon** (5th, 2004) performed the Beethoven Violin Concerto with the Pennsylvania Centre Orchestra in November.

** Violist **Eric Nowlin** (1st 2003) served as a distinguished member of the 2005 Klein Competition Jury, will be featured as part of the Jupiter Symphony Players recitals in New York City beginning this month. Other members include cellist Ani Aznavoorian (3rd, 1995), violinist **Caroline Campbell** (3rd, 2002) violinist **Misha Keylin** (4th, 1990), and violinist **Vadim Gluzman** (2nd 1993)

** Cellist **Tao Ni** (2nd, 2003) was a finalist in the 2005 Kingsville Competition along with violinist **Eunice Keem** (3rd, 2001).

** Violinist **Katie Hyun** (4th, 2003) will be featured at the Laguna Beach Chamber Music Festival in April along with cellist **Mihai Marica** (1st, 2005), and violinist **Kathryn Eberle** (4th, 2002).

** Violinist **Ayane Kozasa** (5th, 2003) was awarded the 2005 Arts Recognition and Talent Search (ARTS) Award, Level II.

** Cellist **Min-Ji Kim** (1st, 2002) was awarded the prestigious 2005 Frank Huntington Beebe Fellowship for European Study.

** Violist **Teng Li** (2nd, 2002 and 2nd, 2001) is the principal violist for the Toronto Symphony and performed Strauss' Don Quixote in November.

** Violinist **Kathryn Eberle** (4th, 2002) performed at the Banff Center in June.

** Violinist **Howard Zhang** (1st, 2001) performed at Weill Theater at Carnegie Hall in October.

** Violinist **Yvonne Lam** (4th, 2001) won 2nd prize at the 2005 Michael Hill International Violin Competition in Auckland, New Zealand.

** Violinist **Angela Fuller** (1st, 2000) was a member of the Artist Faculty at the Las Vegas Music Festival in July and August.

** Violinist **Yang Xu** (4th, 2000) performed the Shubert Quarttetsatz with Midori at a pre-event Los Angeles Philharmonic performance in October.

** Violinist **Frank Huang** (1st, 1999) recently gave a recital at Alice Tully Hall and will perform the Prokofiev Violin Concerto #1 with the Pasadena Symphony in May.

** Violist **Denise Djokic** (1st, 1998) performed with the Mississauga Symphony in November and will perform with l'Orchestre in January.

** Violinist **Christina Castelli** (3rd, 1998) is the First-Place Laureate at the 2005 Sphinx Competition in Detroit, MI.

** Violinist **Hee Guen Song** (5th, 1998) is a faculty member of the Joyful Noise Music School in New York..

** Violist **Kirsten Johnson** (1st, 1997) will be featured at the Sante Fe Chamber Music Festival next August.

** Cellist **Amir Eldan** (4th 1997) and cellist **Francois Salque** (1st, 1994) both were featured at the Giverny International Chamber Music Festival in September.

** Cellist **Alberto Parrini** (3rd, 1996) is a member of the Proteus Ensemble based in New York City.

** Violinist **Jenny Oaks Baker** (4th, 1996) has released a new CD entitled The Best of Jenny Oaks Baker along with two songbooks.

** Cellist **Margo Tatgenhorst** (5th, 1996) is a member of the Divertimento String Trio and the American String Quartet.

** Violist **Pavel Sporcl** (2nd, 1995)) will perform at the Salzburg Chamber Music Festival in July.

** Violinist **Nurit Pacht** (2nd, 1994) is a member of the Alliance Players who will perform in February at New York's Florence Gould Hall. Ms. Pacht is represented by Jay K. Hoffman and Associates.

** Violinist **Jennifer Koh** (1st, 1993) performed with the Los Angeles Philharmonic in July, the Honolulu Symphony in October, and will perform with the New World Philharmonic and the Santa Barbara Symphony in January.

Where They Are Now: Klein Winner Updates (continued)

** Violinist **Vadim Gluzman** (2nd, 1993) recently performed with the Bergen Philharmonic in November and with the Oregon Symphony in December.

** Cellist **Mark Kosower** (1st, 1992) was a distinguished member of the 2005 Klein Competition Jury. He has been appointed to the faculty of the San Francisco Conservatory of Music in cello and chamber music.

** Violinist **Lisa Lee** (3rd, 1992) is a member of the Lee Trio, who performed at the Hong Kong City Hall Theater in November.

** Violinist **Jennifer Frautschi** (1st, 1991) performed with the Cincinnati Symphony in July and with the Westminster Philharmonic in October.

** Cellist **Robert deMaine** (1st, 1990) will perform with the Windsor Symphony in March.

** Cellist **Alban Gerhardt** (3rd, 1989) will perform Shostakovich with the Louisville Symphony in January, Brahms with the Milwaukee Symphony in March, and Barber with the Jacksonville Symphony in April.

** Cellist **Hai-Ye Ni** performed the Tchaikovsky Roccoco Variations with the Santa Rosa Symphony in October.

Hosts Needed for 2006 Klein Competition

The performances on-stage during the Klein Competition are only one place that you can experience the Klein Competition. As part of our ongoing commitment to supporting the young musicians who attend the Klein Competition each year, we continue to offer our semifinalists accommodations with our friends and musical community here in the Bay Area during their stay.

As a Klein Competition host, you will provide one of our semifinalists with housing, occasional meals, and hospitality from Tuesday, June 6, through Monday, June 12, 2006. You may also choose to provide transportation.

Hosting a Klein Competition Semifinalist is a wonderful way to get a glimpse into the personality, artistry, and musical excellence that each brings to our competition.

Hosts share a wide range of experiences including attending the competition, competition dinners and receptions, and an unforgettable range of interactions with our young stars.

Please contact our office at 415.282.7160 or email us at info@kleincompetition.org if you or anyone you know may be interested!

Upcoming 2005-06 Klein Competition Prize Performances

First Prize winner Mihai Marica will perform with the following Bay Area presenters during the 2005-2006 season. Please contact our office if you would like additional information.

Sunday, January 29, 2006, 3pm

Ralston Series, Notre Dame de Namur
University, Belmont, CA
Box Office: (650) 508-3429

Friday, March 10, 2006, 8pm

Peninsula Symphony
San Mateo Performing Arts Center,
San Mateo, CA

Saturday, March 11, 2006, 8pm

Peninsula Symphony
Flint Center, Cupertino, CA
Box Office: (650) 941-5291

Saturday, March 18, 2006, 8pm

Santa Cruz County Symphony
Civic Auditorium, Santa Cruz, CA
Tchaikovsky Variations on a Roccoco Theme

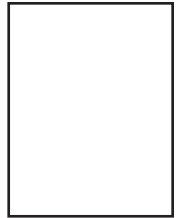
Sunday, March 19, 2006, 2pm

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