Eighty-Fifth Annual Commencement & Award Ceremony

Saturday, June 13, 2020 4:00 pm Presented over Zoom and Facebook Live



Eastman School of Music • University of Rochester

PROGRAM

Opening Music

The Canterbury Flourish

Gordon Jacob

Wesley Nance, Instructor of Trumpet

Welcome

Petar Kodzas, Associate Dean and Director, Eastman Community Music School

Presentation of 2020-2021 Scholarships

FRED V. ALATI JAZZ SCHOLARSHIP

The Fred V. Alati Scholarship Fund was established as a memorial to the late Fred Alati, a jazz educator from Rochester, by his friends and family, to support outstanding high school jazz students in the Eastman Community Music School. This year's Fred V. Alati scholarship is presented to: **Peter Foley, Andrew Kotalik**

PAT AND MARIE AMICO FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP

Originally from Scranton, PA, Pat and Marie Amico made Rochester their home in 1950. Their association with ESM began in 1972 as parents of a Preparatory Department student. The Amico Family Endowment was established by Pat and Marie's children in recognition of their parents' 80th birthdays (2005/2006), and in celebration of their selfless generosity in support of their family. The fund provides scholarships to students pursuing an ECMS diploma. Amico Scholarships are presented to: Trunee Hsu, Mary Jedynak, Jonah Kulick, Katheryn Uetz

ANNA LOUISE BAKER SCHOLARSHIP

The Anna Louise Baker Fund was established by the late Warren Trimble, a longtime friend of what was then called the Community Education Division, in honor of his mother. It is an unrestricted scholarship award, and we are pleased to present it this year to: Luca Albano, Matthew Barry, Calysta Chamberlain, Andrew Freeman, Erica Hoenig, Aria Knechtges, Maria Makula, Tianyue Shi, Chloe Terio, Edward Wu, Lina Yang

ANTHONY BRUNO SCHOLARSHIP IN CLARINET

The Anthony Bruno Scholarship honors Tony Bruno, a clarinet teacher and long-time member of the Eastman faculty. He taught in both the collegiate and preparatory division. The fund was established by some of Mr. Bruno's former students before his death in 1996. This year, the Bruno Scholarship is presented to: Logan Canfield, Thomas Kwon, Peter Odhiambo, Andrew Wu

RUTH CAHN PERCUSSION SCHOLARSHIP

The Ruth Cahn Endowed Percussion Scholarship was established to support orchestral percussion lessons for deserving pre-collegiate students in the Eastman Community Music School. This year's recipients are: Jared Emerson, Gracie Wahl

CLASE VOICE SCHOLARSHIP IN HONOR OF RENEE FLEMING

The Clase Voice Scholarship in Honor of Renée Fleming provides support for promising young singers in the Eastman Community Music School, pursuing the Pre-College Diploma. The scholarship is established in recognition of soprano Renée Fleming, whose voice and music have brought endless joy to the fund's benefactor, Ms. June Clase. This year's scholarship is presented to: Rodger Bartmann, Vittal Bhargava, Ariana Desa e Frias, Valerie Rodriguez-Castro, Reese Stojanovski, Grace Terrano

ANTHONY COMETA SCHOLARSHIP

The Anthony Cometa Scholarship was established by Nancy Fontana, mother of Tony Cometa and is given to deserving students in the Eastman Community Music School. Tony Cometa was a brave young soldier serving in the US armed forces when he was tragically killed in Safwain, Iraq on June 16, 2005. His passion was music and his plans were to study music and recording engineering at college upon his return. This year's Anthony Cometa Scholarship goes to: Rafael Ovando, Caleb Shepard

Musical Interlude No. 1

En los trigales Joaquín Rodrigo

Sam Coyle, guitar from the studio of Lynn McGrath 2020 Honors Diploma Recipient

THOMAS DONOHUE SCHOLARSHIP

The Thomas Donohue Memorial Scholarship Fund provides support to students studying piano or organ in the Eastman Community Music School. This year's Thomas Donohue Scholarship is presented to: Friana Engineer, Micah Kim, Benjamin Watson, Joanna Wu, Jason Zhang

NANCIE ROOP KENNEDY VOCAL SCHOLARSHIP

The Nancie Roop Kennedy Vocal Scholarship Fund provides support for voice students in the Eastman Community Music School. This year's beneficiaries are: Katherine Chalone, Enzo D'Jesus, Kathleen Ellis Ramos, Emma Kaczorowski, Charlotte Keller, Emily Oldfield, Julia Tooker, Ashton Torrey, Raymond Warth, Guilia Zappia

KATHERINE DANFORTH FISHER KING SCHOLARSHIP

Kay Fisher was a pianist and prolific composer. It was said of her — "Hardly a song was written that Kay couldn't pick out by ear, often adding her own delightful harmonies and rhythms". The Katherine Danforth Fisher King Scholarship is for middle and high school students studying piano, voice or composition. We are delighted to present this scholarship to: Rachel Boucher, Leah Brooks, Matthew Camilleri, Alandra Kunz

VICTOR AND ANNA LENTI SCHOLARSHIP

The Victor and Anna Lenti Fund was established by Vincent Lenti as a memorial to his parents. This is an unrestricted Community Music School scholarship fund, and this year's beneficiaries are: Phillip Dworzanski, Marina Foley, Ellery McClenathan, Johanna Merkel

ALEXANDER LEVENTON SCHOLARSHIP

Alexander Leventon was a concertmaster of the RPO, and also a significant and gifted photographer. This fund to assist violinists was established by his wife, Gladys Leventon, herself a former teacher of piano and Music History in the Community Music School. The following students are awarded this scholarship: **Peyton Crony, Trunee Hsu, Micah Kim**

ALVERA BARBOR MARTIN SCHOLARSHIP

The Alvera Barbor Martin Endowed Scholarship Fund provides scholarships to students enrolled in the ECMS with a preference to students of string instruments. This year's beneficiaries are: Sophia Chuang, Joanna Frank, Adalyn Kelly, Alton Kimbley, Aria Knechtges, Elizabeth Norris

Musical Interlude No. 2

Suite for Unaccompanied Cello No. 6
Courante

Johann Sebastian Bach

Douglas Rodriguez, *viola* from the studio of Roberta Zalkind 2020 Honors Diploma Recipient

STEVEN MESSINA PERCUSSION ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP

The Steven Messina Percussion Endowed Scholarship provides scholarship support for students studying percussion at the Eastman Community Music School, with preference to given students studying marimba. This year's scholarship is awarded to: **Daniel Kinney**

LINDA AND HARRY MESSINA, JR. SCHOLARSHIP

Through the generosity of Linda and Harry Messina, Jr., this fund provides assistance to deserving students in the Eastman Community Music School. We are pleased to present the Linda and Harry Messina, Jr. Scholarship to: Emma Guthrie, Sophie Zhou

LOUISE AND HARRY SR. MESSINA ECMS SCHOLARSHIP FOR STRINGS, HARP, AND CLASSICAL GUITAR

This fund provides scholarship support to string, harp or classical guitar students at the Eastman Community Music School. We are pleased to present the award to: Christodoulos Benetatos, Jessica Camp, Caspar Carson, Peyton Crony, Isabel Goldstein, Philani Gqamana, Mary Jedynak

MARY DURAND MULLIGAN SCHOLARSHIP

The Mary Durand Mulligan Fund provides support for the benefit of students in the Eastman Community Music School. We are pleased to present the Mary Durand Mulligan Scholarship to: Ryan Donnelly, Cora Gundy, Elizabeth Norris, Allie Schultz

MOLLY MULLIGAN SCHOLARSHIP

Molly Mulligan, daughter of Mary Durand Mulligan, was a young child in 1920 when her father, Dr. Edward Mulligan, sent a check to George Eastman requesting that a scholarship be established in his daughter's name. Molly came to attach great significance to her theory studies in the preparatory department, and later, in the college. The scholarships, which bear her name, support students in music theory. Congratulations to: Jonah Kulick

JOCELYN PANEPENTO SCHOLARSHIP

Jocelyn Panepento was a promising young piano student of Gary Palmer, in the Community Music School when she tragically fell victim to the disease Lupus. Her parents and friends established this scholarship fund in her memory. This year, we present the award to: Meeta Dahake, Joshua Jin, Jisu Oh, Miguel Ovando

MARIE ERHART PEARSON SCHOLARSHIP

Marie Erhart was a beloved piano teacher in the Preparatory Department for some 48 years. Her husband, Dr. Ovid Pearson, created this scholarship in loving memory of his wife. We are delighted to commemorate Miss Erhart's wonderful work by awarding these scholarships to: Dylan Bachman, Sophia Chuang, Ethan Hess, Adalyn Kelly, Helena Lu, Maya Santiago-Smith, Richard Swan, Emma Grace Wade, Tianyi Yang, Addelynne York

Musical Interlude No. 3

Six Metamorphoses after Ovid

Benjamin Britten

I. Pan VI. Arethusa

> Bridget Nance, oboe from the studio of Geoffrey Sanford 2020 Honors Diploma Recipient

PHILIP J. SANFILLIPO SCHOLARSHIP

The Philip J. SanFillipo endowed fund supports adult students in the Eastman Community Music School. This year, we present the award to: Patricia Buhite, Willem Windig

FLORENCE ALEXANDER SCHOENEGGE SCHOLARSHIP

Florence Schoenegge, a piano student of Raymond Wilson, was a member of the first graduating class of the Eastman School of Music in 1924. She then went on to become one of the first female faculty members in the school's preparatory department. She taught there for 14 years after which she continued to give private lessons in her home while she attended to the needs of her family. She stayed actively connected to the school, and, as a well-respected piano teacher for over 50 years, made a major contribution to the musical heritage of Rochester. This fund was established by her family and friends years ago, in honor of her 80th birthday. We celebrate her memory by awarding Schoenegge scholarships to: Ryan Dick, Charlotte Klaus, Kaela Sova, Hannah Wang

HAROLD SCHWAB SCHOLARSHIP

Harold Schwab was an early graduate of the Eastman School, and this fund was established in his memory by Wallace Gray, his long-time friend, and an esteemed member of the Eastman piano faculty. Mr. Schwab and Mr. Gray would have been delighted to see the outcome of their generosity, as we today award Schwab scholarships to: Cecilia Hanuch, Taylor Klinsky, Margaret Makula, Luke Pisani, Brody Schenk, William Spear, William Tomaszewski, Alisha Torres, Grace Wu, Jonathan Yi

MARGARET KERSHNER WEBER SCHOLARSHIP

Margaret Weber was an Eastman graduate and a beloved violin teacher in the Community Music School. She was also among the first teachers to receive the Jack L. Frank award for teaching excellence. This scholarship fund, for promising young violinists, was established in her memory. The following students are awarded this scholarship: Alexandra Belyablya, Alisha Govindaraj, Andrew Guo, Zoe Howland, Katerina Lal, Rebecca Lee, Julia Peacock, Greg Sekeres, Skye Simmons, Richard Swan, Asher Wozniak, Matthew Xie, Maureen Zhang

RAYMOND WILSON SCHOLARSHIP

Raymond Wilson was the founding director of the Community Music School in the early 1920s. This fund was endowed in his honor by an anonymous donor. We are delighted to present the Wilson scholarships to: Vivian Ford, Paisleigh McCarthy

Presentation of the Certificate of Advanced Achievement in Performance or Theory

Henry Berger, horn Adelyn Carney, clarinet Samuel Coyle, guitar Kyle Egan, clarinet Sam Eichel, percussion Irene Feng, voice Hannah Haines, harp Kierra Heinly, violin Jaz Koft, percussion Noah Lee, violin Jocelyn Lin, clarinet Ariana Marseglia, flute Bridget Nance, oboe Christine Ott, horn Douglas Rodriguez, viola Ben Sneider, jazz trombone Reese Stojanovski, voice Ben Tischner, jazz guitar William Wang, saxophone Patricia Land Worrad, voice Mabel Zawacki, string bass

Musical Interlude No. 4

Sonata for Solo Violin, Op. 115 Moderato

Sergei Prokofiev

Noah Lee, violin from the studio of Renée Jolles 2020 Honors Diploma Recipient Eastman Pathways Scholarship Program Graduates

Hannah Harrow, Pathways Coordinator Carrol Frangipane, Pathways Mentor

Georgia Ahumada Joshua Cotto Faith Hagins Franklin Jones Naaman Jones Alisha Josenberger Hunter McNeil Douglas Rodriguez Alyssa Troidl

The Harry Messina Award for Theory and Composition

Walter and Ethel Cope Prize

An annual prize for the most outstanding rising high school senior in the Eastman Community Music School

Remarks

Bridget Nance, Class Representative

The Jack L. Frank Award for Excellence in Teaching

Commencement Address

Vincent Lenti, Professor of Piano & School Historian, Eastman School of Music

Presentation of the Eastman Community Music School Diplomas

Georgia Ahumada Joshua Cotto Samuel Coyle Sam Eichel Irene Feng Faith Hagins Diploma in Violin Diploma in Violin Advanced Diploma in Guitar with Honors Diploma in Percussion Diploma in Voice Diploma in Clarinet Hannah Haines
Alisha Josenberger
Noah Lee
Yitong Emma Li
Miya Libman
Ariana Marseglia
Hunter McNeil
Bridget Nance
Henry Qin
Douglas Rodriguez
Irena Stefankiv
Rudolph Vollo
Willem Windig
Patricia Land Worrad

Diploma in Harp
ECMS Diploma
Diploma in Violin with Honors
Diploma in Piano
Diploma in Saxophone
Diploma in Flute
ECMS Diploma
Advanced Diploma in Oboe with Honors
Diploma in Viola with Honors
Pre-Collegiate Diploma
Advanced Diploma in Piano
Diploma in Voice
Diploma in Voice

Closing Remarks

Petar Kodzas, Associate Dean and Director, Eastman Community Music School

Closing Music

Dance of the Willow

Thomas Xue

Victoria Ebel-Sabo

Diploma in Piano

Eastman Young Children's Chorus Naomi Foley, *Director*