

#### **Louis Lane Prize**

Named for an Eastman composer and alumnus; awarded to a student who has shown excellence in composition.

*Tonia Chi Wing Ko*

#### **Alfred Mann Award**

Established in honor of the distinguished musicologist and professor emeritus at the Eastman School of Music; recognizes a student in the department of musicology or theory for a dissertation of unusual distinction.

*Katherine Leigh Axtell, Martin Nedbal*

#### **Linda Muise Student Life Award**

Established in honor of Eastman's Assistant Dean for Residential Life; presented to a graduating senior who has shown dedication, enthusiasm, collaboration, and leadership traits that promote and maintain a strong quality of life for all.

*Ashlee Beth Bickley*

#### **Robert L. Oppelt Viola Prize**

Named for the first recipient of the DMA in Performance and Pedagogy at the Eastman School of Music; awarded annually to an outstanding viola student.

*Kayleigh Megan Miller*

#### **Ornest Award**

Established by Dorothy Ornest (BM '42) and Naomi Ornest (BM '46) in honor of their parents; presented to undergraduate students, enrolled in any program at Eastman for at least one year, who have shown excellence in academic and musical study and whose performing instrument is voice.

*Natalie Analisa Ballenger, Geoffrey Paul Penar, Nicholas Wiggins*

#### **Willow Hall Press Award for Harp**

Established to honor the memory of Jane B. Weidensaul, PhD, harpist, scholar, and teacher; awarded to a harp performance major entering today's music profession.

*Caroline Rose Palser*

#### **The Presser Music Award**

Funded by a grant from the Presser Foundation; presented to a graduate student demonstrating excellence and outstanding promise for a distinguished career in the field of music.

*Julie Beauregard*

#### **The Presser Foundation Undergraduate Scholarship**

Funded by a grant from the Presser Foundation; awarded to an undergraduate music student in recognition of outstanding achievement.

*Lauren Katherine Yu*

#### **Bernard Rogers Memorial Prize**

Established in memory of the renowned Eastman faculty composer; awarded to a worthy composition student selected by the faculty.

*Dongryul Lee, Eugene Astapov, Yie Eun Chun*

#### **Raymond and Maxine Schirmer Prize in Jazz Performance**

Awarded to a student in the Department of Jazz and Contemporary Media who has distinguished him- or herself in the area of jazz performance.

*William Z. Cleary*

#### **Raymond and Maxine Schirmer Prize in Jazz Composition**

Awarded to a student in the Department of Jazz and Contemporary Media for Jazz composition.

*Matthew Tyler Podd*

#### **Donald J. Shetler Music Education Prize**

Established in honor of the distinguished music education faculty member at the Eastman School of Music; awarded to an outstanding music education student.

*Lisa Rebecca Caravan*

#### **The 2009/2010 Teaching Assistant Prizes**

Awarded to students who distinguish themselves for teaching excellence.

*Daphne Yu-Huei Tan, Lisa Rebecca Caravan, Man Yui Kitty Cheung*

*Toni James, Deanna Lynn Joseph, Daria Sergeevna Rabotkina*

#### **New Venture Challenge Prize**

The Eastman New Venture Challenge is a contest to encourage new thinking and innovative ideas in music. It gives students the opportunity to develop a business plan that could result in the launch of a new entrepreneurial enterprise.

*Jordan David Hayes, Steve Terrill Danyew, Fotina Naumenko,*

*Ashley Morgan Garofalo*

#### **Glenn Watkins Traveling Fellowship**

Established by a distinguished Eastman alumnus (PhD '53); awarded to support dissertation research travel for a doctoral student in Musicology.

*Kimberly Dawn Hannon*

#### **Zildjian Scholarship**

Funded by the Avedis Zildjian Company; awarded to an outstanding percussion student.

*Damon Christopher Martinez*



# HONORS and AWARDS

*Eastman School of Music  
85th Commencement  
Sunday, May 16, 2010, 11:15 a.m.*

### **Robert Wayne Barlow Award for Excellence in Harp Performance**

Named for the son of Eastman faculty composer Wayne Barlow; presented to a student judged for excellence in harp performance.

*Megan Ann Bledsoe*

### **Wayne Brewster Barlow Prize**

Awarded to students who have shown excellence in composition.

*Symeon Lee Waseen*

### **Gerald Barnes Award for Excellence in Pipe Organ**

Recognizes an exceptionally qualified pipe organ student.

*Chelsea Barton*

### **The Barr Award in Accompanying**

Established in 1997, the Barr Award honors graduating accompanying majors who have distinguished themselves at Eastman and show outstanding promise for future success in the profession.

*Richard James Masters*

### **Andrew J. Bogiages Memorial Prize in Bassoon**

Established to commemorate the life and musical contributions of a talented young Eastman student; awarded to a deserving underclassman or graduate bassoon student.

*Alexander Gold McCory*

### **John Celentano Award for Excellence in Chamber Music**

Established to celebrate the outstanding contributions of Professor Emeritus John Celentano; honors students who have demonstrated exceptional achievement in the study and performance of chamber music.

*Douglas Hart O'Connor, Quinn Elliott Lewis, Qun Gai, Brandon Allen Kies*

### **Anthony and Carolyn Donato Prize**

Established by an Eastman alumnus and his wife; awarded for the oustanding composition of a sonata for violin and piano.

*Anthony Ruiz Duarte*

### **Glenn and Frances Harris Cello Prize**

Established in 2007, the Glenn and Frances Harris Cello Prize recognizes one or more students who have distinguished themselves in cello performance.

*Cora Halma Swenson, Grace An*

### **Lynne Clarke Vocal Prize**

Established to honor the memory of Lynne Clarke; awarded to recognize a vocalist who shows outstanding talent and musicality through his or her first-prize performance in the Friends of Eastman Opera Voice Competition.

*Debra Lynn McKinney*

### **Anne T. Cummins Prize**

Established in memory of a well-loved French professor who taught at the Eastman School from 1924 to 1966; awarded to a graduating senior who has distinguished him- or herself in humanities classes.

*Luis Fabian Ortiz, Meredith Anne Achey*

### **Excellence in Accompanying Award**

Recognizes students who have particularly distinguished themselves through their work as collaborative pianists.

*Chiao-Wen Cheng, Lyndon John-Paul Meyer, Luis Fabian Ortiz*

### **Renée Fleming Award**

Given in honor of the world-renowned, local native and Eastman School graduate; awarded to an exceptional soprano, graduate or undergraduate.

*Rebecca Rachel Dorcas Farley*

### **Charles Warren Fox Award**

Established in memory of the distinguished musicologist and former Eastman School of Music professor; presented to a graduate musicology student in recognition of a special academic accomplishment.

*Tanya Danielle Sermer*

### **Friends of Eastman Opera Voice Competition Prize**

Funded by the Friends of Eastman Opera, an organization which supports students, programs, and productions of the Eastman Opera Theatre; awarded to the second and third place winners in the Friends of Eastman Opera Voice Competition.

*Marielle Murphy (second prize), Rebecca Rachel Dorcas Farley (third prize)*

### **Friends of Eastman Opera Voice Competition Accompanist Award**

Established by the Friends of Eastman Opera; awarded to the first place accompanist of the Friends of Eastman Opera Voice Competition.

*Lyndon John-Paul Meyer*

### **Friends of Eastman Opera Student Opportunity Award**

Established by the Friends of Eastman Opera to assist voice students with extracurricular opportunities that may enhance their development as vocalists.

*Erin Elizabeth Gonzalez, Reilly Maude Nelson, Kristine Frances Moore, Kendra Mye Wieneke, Emily Michiko Jensen, Kevin Francis Delaney, Geoffrey Paul Penar*

### **Belle S. Gitelman Award**

Established in memory of Belle Gitelman and the contributions she made to the artistic life of Rochester; presented to students whose compositions have been declared worthy of recognition.

*Lena Christine Nietfeld, Jung Sun Kang*

### **Jerald C. Graue Fellowship**

Established in memory of a respected scholar, beloved teacher, and former chair of the Musicology Department; awarded to graduate students in any field for their outstanding work in musicological research.

*Johnandrew Slominski, Anne Marie Weaver*

### **Walter Hagen Conducting Prize**

Established in 1984 to honor the memory of Walter Hagen; awarded to a student of conducting.

*Jonathan Richard Girard, Deanna Lynn Joseph*

### **Howard Hanson Orchestral Prize**

Given in honor of Howard Hanson, distinguished composer, conductor, and Director of the Eastman School of Music from 1924 to 1964; awarded in recognition of a student who composes an original and distinguishable orchestral piece.

*Baljinder Singh Sekhon II*

### **Howard Hanson Ensemble Prize**

Given in honor of Howard Hanson, awarded to a student who composes an original and distinguishable ensemble piece.

*Justin Michael Hoke*

### **Elsa T. Johnson Fellowship**

Awarded to a deserving musicology student, in order to make it possible for that student to devote his or her time to the writing of the PhD dissertation.

*Matthew Morrow*

### **Jessie Kneisel Lieder Prize**

Established in memory of a distinguished Eastman professor of German; awarded to the winners of the annual Jessie Kneisel Competition in German Lieder.

*Jordan Thomas Wilson, Trevor Tavish Strader (second prize),*

*Thomas Robert Leighton (third prize)*

### **Jessie Kneisel Lieder Prize—Piano**

*Lyndon John-Paul Meyer, Daniel Ross Baer (second prize), Zhao Wang (third prize)*

### **Barbara M.H. Koeng Award**

Established to honor the memory of a beloved staff member at the Eastman School of Music; recognizes the achievements of an accompanying major who shares Mrs. Koeng's passion for working with singers.

*Ruon Priscilla Yuen*

### **Sidney MearTrumpet Prize**

Given in honor of Sidney Mear; awarded to an outstanding senior trumpet student in addition to honoring all who teach, play and study trumpet.

*Dylan Moore Smith*