

LECTURE RECITAL PRIZE

Recognizes and celebrates DMA/PRL students at Eastman who present exemplary lecture recitals within a given calendar year.

John Baughman Allegar, Timothy M. Burns

ALFRED MANN DISSERTATION AWARD

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

Daphne Yu-Huei Tan

SIDNEY MEAR TRUMPET 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.

Jackson Leland Arthur

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.

Nicholas Matthew Tariello

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.

Alexander Luis Peña

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.

*Joel Callonia Dyson, Paulina Lopinski Swierczek,
Katherine Suzanne Weber*

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.

Sarah Elizabeth Fuchs Sampson

THE PRESSER FOUNDATION UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP

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

Steven Michael DeNiro

BERNARD ROGERS MEMORIAL PRIZE

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

*Jennifer Kate Bellor, Jung Sun Kang,
John S. Liberatore*

RAYMOND AND MAXINE SCHIRMER PRIZE IN JAZZ COMPOSITION

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

Reuben Maxwell Allen

RAYMOND AND MAXINE SCHIRMER PRIZE IN JAZZ PERFORMANCE

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

Marc Allen Schwartz

DONALD J. SHETLER PRIZE IN MUSIC EDUCATION

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

Dina Lynn Alexander

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.

*Marissa Ann Balonon-Rosen, Regina Frances Compton,
William Bradford Pacey*

GLENN WATKINS TRAVELING FELLOWSHIP

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

Sarah Elizabeth Fuchs Sampson, Anne Marie Weaver

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.

Christina Marie Brier

STEVE WITSER MEMORIAL PRIZE

Established by friends and family to honor the memory of trombonist Steve Witser (BM '81); awarded to one or more outstanding trombone students.

Grant Thomas Reed

RAY WRIGHT PRIZE

Established by alumni to honor the legacy of their teacher and mentor, Rayburn Wright, legendary composer, arranger, conductor and professor of jazz studies and contemporary media at the Eastman School of Music (1970 to 1990), the Ray Wright Prize is awarded to students in the Eastman jazz program who embody Ray's spirit of artistry, dedication, versatility and entrepreneurship.

Michael Joseph Conrad

THE 2013 TEACHING ASSISTANT PRIZES

Awarded to students who distinguish themselves for teaching excellence.

*Lauren Frances Becker, Emlyn Patience Johnson, Min Hwan Kim,
Gilad Rabinovitch, James Michael Sullivan, Edward Matthew Valverde*



HONORS *and* AWARDS

*Eastman School of Music
88th Commencement
Sunday, May 19, 2013, 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.
Molly O’Roark, Kristina Elizabeth Finch

WAYNE BREWSTER BARLOW PRIZE

Awarded to students who have shown excellence in composition.
Stylianos Dimou, Daniel Jacob Brottman

GERALD BARNES AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN PIPE ORGAN

Recognizes an exceptionally qualified pipe organ student.
Käthe Elizabeth Wright Kaufman, C. Aaron James

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.
Ksenia Vlasimirovna Stichman, Joseph Steven Yungen

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.
Thomas Craig Doser

**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.
Matthew Stephen Amedio, Dannel Javier Espinoza, Matthew Thomas Evans, Michael Stephen Sawzin

HENRY COBOS PIANO PRIZE

Established to commemorate the memory of the life and musical contributions of a talented Eastman graduate and ex-emeritus; honors students who have demonstrated exceptional achievement in the study and performance of piano.
Evelyn Wing-Yan Lam

DR. JAMES B. COCHRAN ORGAN PRIZE

Established by the Vanderbilt Presbyterian Church (Naples, FL) to honor the life’s work of Eastman graduate James Cochran; awarded to an exceptional Eastman School of Music organ student.
Joseph Charles Trucano, Nathan Thomas Davy

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.
Weijun Chen

EXCELLENCE IN ACCOMPANYING AWARD

Recognizes students who have particularly distinguished themselves through their work as collaborative pianists.
Irina Lupines, Tarin Supprakorn, Joseph Steven Yungen

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.
Katherine Elizabeth Hutchings

**FRIENDS OF EASTMAN OPERA
VOICE COMPETITION PRIZES**

Funded by the Friends of Eastman Opera, an organization which supports students, programs, and productions of the Eastman Opera Theatre.

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.
Melissa Fajardo

Annabel Muentner Vocal Prize

Established to honor the memory of Annabel Muentner; awarded to the second-prize performance in the Friends of Eastman Opera Voice Competition.
Keely L.C.C. Futterer

Third Place Vocal Prize

Sophia Marie Burgos

**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.

Anthony Charles Baron, Adelaide Judson Boedecker, Zachary Benton Burgess, Hsin-Mei Chang, Benjamin Michael Curtis, Melissa Fajardo, Elizabeth Ann Lang, Zorica Pavlovic, Yunji Shim, Alexander James Turpin, Jessica Ann Waddle, Melissa Yung Zgouridi, Matthew Connelly DiDonna, Hyunjin Stephanie Kim, Rachael Deanna Sanguinetti, Kimberly Anne Merrill, Rachel Taelor Beninghof, Joanna Hyun Ji Kim, Christopher Lynn Reed, David Joel Tayloe, Paulina Lopinski Swierczek, Elizabeth Allen Noble, Andrea Marie McGaugh, Rebecca Eliza Herlich, Nicole Elaine Heinen, Maria Evans Lacey, Keely L.C.C. Futterer, Alicia Anne Elisabeth Ault

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.
Daniel Raymond Pesca, Christopher Elon Chandler

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.
Tabitha Joy Boxerman

WALTER HAGEN CONDUCTING PRIZE

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

HOWARD HANSON ENSEMBLE PRIZE

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

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.
George Nathaniel Strang

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.
Eleanor Jean Lee, Ji In Shin

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.
Tanya Danielle Sermer

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.
Siddharth Dubey, Alexander James Turpin, Sophia Marie Burgos, Zhibing Huang

JESSIE KNEISEL LIEDER PRIZE—PIANO

Robert Layton Wells (Ann C. Fehn Memorial Award, First Place), Dong Wan Ha, Ryan James Faulkner, Taehee Kim

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.
Christopher Lynn Reed

LOUIS LANE PRIZE

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