



# HONORS and AWARDS

Eastman School of Music  
Graduation Ceremony  
Saturday, May 18, 2024

### **2024 TEACHING ASSISTANT PRIZES**

Awarded to students who distinguish themselves for teaching excellence.

*Logan Barrett, Andres Luke Camarillo, Hannah Duff, Jacob Eichhorn,  
S Joshua Sheppard, Lauren Smith*

### **WAYNE BREWSTER BARLOW PRIZE**

Awarded to students who have shown excellence in composition.

*Marlies Carmen Joris Hollevoet, Clayton Trumbull, Austin White*

### **BARR AWARD IN ACCOMPANYING**

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

*Ka Ming Leung, William Shi*

### **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 undergraduate or graduate bassoon student.

*Makenna Ford*

### **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.

*Gabriela Fiona Fry, Cole George, Jaewon Jun, Dylan Kingdom,  
Ethan Daniel Morad, Karina Tseng, Dylan Tucker, Taylor Jeong-Inn Yoon,  
The Maple Quartet: Isabel Chen, John Crowley, Gabriel Hennebury,  
and Magali Pellety*

### **HENRY COBOS ENDOWED 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.

*Yun Chih Hsu*

### **ANNE T. CUMMINS PRIZE**

Established in memory of a well-loved professor of French who taught at the Eastman School of Music from 1924 to 1966; awarded to graduating seniors who have distinguished themselves in humanities classes.

*David Patrick Griffith*

### **ANTHONY & CAROLYN DONATO PRIZE**

The Anthony and Carolyn Donato Prize is awarded biennially for the composition of a sonata for violin and piano at the Eastman School of Music.

*Parker Erickson Hogan Callister*

### **EXCELLENCE IN ACCOMPANYING AWARD**

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

*Greg Smith*

### **RUNYAN-MONFORT 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.

*Eleanor Price*

### **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.

*Catherine Creed*

#### **ANNABEL MUENTER VOCAL PRIZE**

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

*Darby Schmidt*

#### **THIRD PLACE VOCAL PRIZE**

*Mary Fetterman*

#### **HONORABLE MENTION VOCAL PRIZE**

*Ghalip Ekber*

#### **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.

*Logan Barrett, Tucker Johnson, Julian Stuart-Burns*

#### **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.

*Federico Ercoli*

#### **WALTER HAGEN CONDUCTING PRIZE**

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

*Georgia Markakis Mills*

#### **HOWARD HANSON ENSEMBLE PRIZE**

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

*John Macmillan*

#### **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.

*Bo Huang*

### **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.

*Cole Leonard, Daniel Timothy O'Connell, Kyle Victor*

### **INCLUSIVE EXCELLENCE AWARD**

First established in 2018, the Eastman Inclusive Excellence Award recognizes contributions to the principles and practice of diversity and inclusion made by individuals or groups within the Eastman community. Faculty, staff, and students from the collegiate program and the Eastman Community Music School are eligible to be nominated.

*Student Awards – Erico Bezerra, Rey Sunglao*

*Staff Award– Zachary Peterson*

*Group Awards – Black Students Union at Eastman,*

*Context Conference Planning Team*

*Faculty Award – Jamal Rossi*

### **ELSA T. JOHNSON FELLOWSHIP**

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

*Eleanor Price*

### **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.

*First Place: Carolina Sullivan*

*Second Place: Kayla Lauren Sconiers*

*Third Place: Sofia Scattarreggia*

*Honorable Mention: David Patrick Griffith*

### **JESSIE KNEISEL LIEDER PRIZE—PIANO**

Established to honor the memory of Ann C. Fehn; awarded to an outstanding pianist who has collaborated with a singer in a performance of German Lieder.

*Ann C. Fehn Memorial Award: Anna Sunmin Park*

*Second Place: Veniamin Blokh*

*Third Place: Hyunmin Gina Lee*

### **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 accompanying majors who share Mrs. Koeng's passion for working with singers.

*Mizi Li, Jeongmin Oak*

### **LOUIS LANE PRIZE**

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

*Niyayesh Bagheri*

### **LECTURE RECITAL PRIZE**

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

*Andres Like Camarillo*

### **ALFRED MANN DISSERTATION AWARD**

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

*Stephen Thomas Johnson*

### **REBECCA MCCORD PIANO SCHOLARSHIP**

Awarded to students majoring in piano who demonstrate extraordinary musicianship, technical development, balanced repertoire, and successful performances.

*Xiaolong Liu*

### **SIDNEY MEAR TRUMPET PRIZE**

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

*Grace E. Firth, Finley Eve Shanks*

### **LINDA MUISE STUDENT LIFE AWARD**

Established in honor of Eastman's former 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.

*Kayla Lauren Sconiers*

### **ORNEST AWARD**

The Ornest Fund provides for an annual award for up to four undergraduate students, enrolled in any degree program, who have completed at least one year of study at the Eastman School of Music and whose primary instrument is voice.

*Emily Kondrat, Mingbang Wang*

### **THE PRESSER MUSIC AWARD (GRADUATE STUDENT)**

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.

*Paul David Flood*

### **BERNARD ROGERS MEMORIAL PRIZE**

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

*Talia Zahava Berenbaum, Kate Budde Ragan, Nathanael Kumar, Ko Muramatsu*

### **PETER SALAFF PRIZE**

Established to honor the Eastman alumnus, faculty violinist, and founding member of the Cleveland Quartet; awarded to a graduating senior violinist, violist, cellist, or pianist who exemplifies the beloved and rare combination of outstanding artist, collaborator, and passionate humanitarian that characterizes Peter Salaff.

*Grace Elizabeth Mei Ni Belsie*

### **RAYMOND AND MAXINE SCHIRMER PRIZE IN JAZZ COMPOSITION (OR PERFORMANCE)**

Awarded to students in the Department of Jazz Studies and Contemporary Media for excellence in jazz composition or performance.

*Shane Lee McCandless (Composition), Thomas Charles McCloskey (Performance)*

### **MILTON SCHLESINGER PERCUSSION PRIZE**

Established in honor of the distinguished music education faculty member at the Eastman School of Music.

*Remington H. Thomas*

### **JIM AND JAMIE SELF TUBA AWARD**

Awarded to an outstanding tuba student who demonstrates a high level of performance proficiency and a record of leadership and service to the school and/or broader community.

*Stephanie Marie Magera*

### **BARBARA B. SMITH GAMELAN PRIZE**

To honor Barbara Smith's request to support non-Western music at the Eastman School of Music. Established by Barbara B. Smith, '43E (MM), this prize is awarded biennially for the best new composition written for Balinese Gamelan Angklung and for its performance.

*Zhihao Wang*

### **VERDEHR AWARD**

Established by Dr. Elsa Ludewig-Verdehr '58E (MM) '64E (DMA) and Dr. Walter Verdehr to enrich audiences through the performance of Verdehr Trio repertoire created for the violin-clarinet-piano trio. Awarded to three students who perform an annual concert of violin-clarinet-piano music consisting of Verdehr Trio commissioned repertoire.

*Kit Ying Cheng, Sohee Chung, James Julian*

### **GLENN WATKINS TRAVELING FELLOWSHIP**

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

*Lauren Paula Ganger*

### **STEVE WITSER MEMORIAL FUND**

One or more annual awards to Eastman trombone major(s) at the discretion of the Dean of the Eastman School of Music or the Winds, Brass and Percussion department chair.

*Bernabe Jorge*

### **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.

*Aaron Calvin Ouellette*

### **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.

*Allison Marie Keller*

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*We acknowledge with respect the Seneca Nation, known as the "Great Hill People" and "Keepers of the Western Door" of the Haudenosaunee Confederacy. We take this opportunity to thank the people whose ancestral lands the Eastman School of Music of the University of Rochester currently occupies in Rochester, New York.*