

## 2024 Rising Stars Festival Winners

### DEI Award

#### Info about the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Award medal!

All students performing works by DEI composers received a gold seal on their certificates. Additionally, judges selected several students who performed a DEI work at an exceptional level to receive a medal. Congrats!

## Piano

### Lower Elementary

1st - Kaden Wu (Teacher: Jasmine Steadman)  
2nd - Charlotte Jiang (Teacher: June Haun)  
3rd - Anika Muliadikara (Teacher: Jasmine Steadman)  
HM - Adam Lian (Teacher: Aaron Stampfl)  
DEI - Sylvia Jiang (Teacher: Amy Lee)

### Upper Elementary

1st - Giana Wu (Teacher: June Haun)  
2nd - Bruce Duong (Teacher: June Haun)  
3rd - Evan Woods (Teacher: Jasmine Steadman)

### Junior

1st - Lucy Chen (Teacher: Jasmine Steadman)  
2nd - Bobby Yuan (Teacher: Jennifer Hayghe)  
3rd - Jayden LaBarbera (Teacher: Carolyn Shaak)  
HM - Sophie Chung (Teacher: June Haun)

### Lower Senior

1st - Eric Kim (Teacher: Jasmine Steadman)  
2nd - Torsten Snyder (Teacher: Elena Mathys)  
3rd - Abigail Kroll (Teacher: Jasmine Steadman)  
HM - Lindsey Liu (Teacher: Shan Gao)

### Upper Senior

1st - Coby Kassner (Teacher: Aaron Stampfl)  
2nd - Jacinta Deodatus (Teacher: Carolyn Shaak)  
3rd - Felix Nyamdorj (Teacher: Amy Lee)  
HM - Taylor Caplan (Teacher: Brad Marcotte)

## Ensemble

### Junior

1st - Aidan Zhao & Alexander Zhao (Teacher: Brenda Ishikawa)

### Lower Senior

1st - Jiyu Kim, Zoe Keith, & Sarah Zhou (Teacher: Lee Anderson)

### Upper Senior

1st - Ava Lee & Felix Nyamdorj (Teachers: Emily Book McGree & Amy Lee)



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### Instrumental

- Lower Elementary**      1st - Lucia Xian (Teacher: Laura McDermott)
- Upper Elementary**      1st - San Lee (Teacher: Zo Manfredi)  
2nd - Olivia Lee (Teacher: Heejung Kim)  
3rd - Maggie Wright (Teacher: Allegra Wermuth)  
HM - Dahyeon Lee (Teacher: Jenna Rossi)
- Junior**      1st - Leonardo Kim (Teacher: Claude Sim)  
2nd - Alexander Zhao (Teacher: Martin Kuuskman)  
3rd - Isaac Han (Teacher: Seeyoen Min)
- Lower Senior**      HM - Max Wu (Teacher: Kirk Miller)
- Upper Senior**      1st - Ella Zimmermann (Teacher: Sunghee Zimmerman)

### Voice

- Upper Elementary**      1st - Etta McCurdy (Teacher: Sarah Barber)
- Junior**      1st - Taryn Hermosillo (Teacher: Jen Black)  
2nd - Max Morley (Teacher: Jen Black)  
3rd - Diana Erickson (Teacher: Paula Baack)
- Lower Senior**      1st - Rebecca Morley (Teacher: Jen Black)  
2nd - Vanessa Herrera (Teacher: Joshua Zabatta)  
3rd - Ruby Taylor (Teacher: Paula Baack)  
DEI - Brooke Sturtz (Teacher: Sarah Barber)
- Upper Senior**      1st - Noyi Soto-Anglade (Teacher: Joshua Zabatta)  
2nd - Jacquelyn Erickson (Teacher: Paula Baack)  
3rd - Elliott Benson (Teacher: Carly Bright)