

Waynesboro Symphony Orchestra Announces 2024 Concerto Competition Winners

The Waynesboro Symphony Orchestra is pleased to announce the winners of the [2024 WSO Young Artists Concerto Competition](#). Open to high school aged students, the WSO Concerto Competition consisted of a preliminary round and a final round. Six finalists performed their chosen piece before judges on Saturday, November 16.

Three prizewinners were announced, as well as an Honorable Mention. The judges awarded First Place (\$1,000) to pianist Alexander Chang, a student of Nicole Yang. Chang is a Junior at Monticello High School and performed the first movement of Tchaikovsky's *Piano Concerto No. 1*. Second Place (\$500) was awarded to cellist Gudrun Campbell, a student of Elizabeth Cantrell. Campbell, a Senior at Charlottesville High School, performed two movements of Kabalevsky's *Cello Concerto No. 1*. Third place (\$250) was awarded to marimbist Derek Mickelson, a student of Elijah Steele. Mickelson is a Senior at Spotswood High School and performed two movements of Séjourné's *Concerto for Marimba and Strings*. Honorable Mention went to flutist Michelle Wong, a student of Elizabeth Brightbill. Wong, a Junior at Charlottesville High School, performed the *Poem for Flute and Orchestra* by Griffes.

All three prizewinners will perform their selection in two concerts with the Waynesboro Symphony Orchestra in February: [Saturday, February 22 at 7:30 pm at First Presbyterian Church in Staunton](#), and [Sunday, February 23 at 3:00 pm at First Presbyterian Church in Waynesboro](#).

For more information, please see <https://waynesborosymphonyorchestra.org/>