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## **ENDOWMENT SOCIETY OF THE CALGARY REGISTERED MUSIC TEACHERS**

ARMTA began in 1932 out of a love for music and a desire to promote its instruction. Our members are teachers of Music and Speech Arts who have undergone extensive education and a comprehensive screening process. The branch board incorporated the Endowment Society in 1987 as a registered charity. The main goal is to fund scholarships that reward and support students of ARMTA Calgary Branch teachers. Those teachers directly impact the lives of over 5,000 Calgary and area students.

The students being presented with awards today received the three highest marks in each discipline category. Each achieved a mark of 87% or higher on their exams - the highest score earned this year was 96! Fourth place piano scholarships will be presented for Honourable Mention next month at the Outstanding Student Recital (OSR).

For more information about the Endowment Society, please visit our webpage at <https://armta-calgary.com/endowment-society/>.

## **ARMTA CALGARY TEACHERS** *Represented in this Year's Awards Ceremony*

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# RECITAL PART 1



- Jerry Zhang**  
Sonatina in C major, op 36, no. 1, 3rd movement ..... M. Clementi
- Sheung Lam Li**  
Crazy Comics ..... C. Donkin
- Dahlia Howes**  
Arctic Voices..... S. Griesdale
- Hannah Barr**  
Fantasia in E flat major..... G.P. Telemann
- Alexander Guo**  
Far Above the Cloud..... J. Coulthard
- Sophia Torre**  
In My Own Little Corner..... R. Rodgers
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## RECITAL PART 1

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**Austin Wang**

Album Fur die Jugend, op. 68 - Erinnerung (no. 28) ..... R. Schumann

**Kristen Lee**

O Moon ..... A. Louie

**Jeff Yang**

To Spring, op. 43, no. 6 ..... E. Grieg

**Alice Zhao**

Toccata ..... R. Fleming

**Shailynn Li**

Prelude in C sharp minor, op. 3 no. 2 ..... S. Rachmaninoff

**Ethan Leung**

Prelude in G Minor, op. 23, no. 5 ..... S. Rachmaninoff

# BRONZE MEDAL & SCHOLARSHIP PRESENTATION



## Piano

### *Junior A (Levels 1-3):*

Dahlia Howes  
Jerry Zhang  
Arwen Au-Yeung

### *Junior B (Levels 4-6):*

Alexander Guo

## Piano

### *Intermediate (Levels 7-8):*

Jeff Yang  
Kristen Lee

### *Advanced (Levels 9, 10, Diploma):*

Wynn Phung  
Olivia Wang  
Shailynn Li  
Ethan Leung

## Voice

### *Junior (Levels 1-4):*

Emma Guzman

## Strings

### *Junior (Levels 1-4):*

Maegan Sha

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# SILVER MEDAL & SCHOLARSHIP PRESENTATION

## Piano

### Junior A (Levels 1-3):

Sheung Lam Li  
Jerry Zhang

### Junior B (Levels 4-6):

Hannah Barr  
An Le  
Jack Sheng  
Austin Wang

### Intermediate (Levels 7-8):

Alice Zhao

### Advanced (Levels 9, 10, Diploma):

Kaslyn Chan

## Voice

### Junior (Levels 1-4):

Sophia Torre

### Intermediate (Levels 5-8):

Annalina McDouall

## Strings

### Junior (Levels 1-4):

Cydney Williams



## Speech Arts

### Junior (Levels 1-4):

Jeremy Ha

### Intermediate (Levels 5-8):

Robert Wang  
Kallista Chan  
Zihan Yuan  
Hailey Ha

### Advanced

### (Levels 9, 10, Diploma):

Nathane Arthur



# RECITAL PART 2



**Liam Galloway**

Etude in D Major ..... H. Lemoine

**Arwen Au-Yeung**

The Spring Rain ..... A. Au-Yeung

**Katelyn Lam**

Sonata in D Minor ..... D. Scarlatti

**An Le**

Chalk Sidewalk ..... D. Scarlatti

**Aayat Vickram**

Sleeping Under the Stars ..... S. Wilde

**Annalina McDouall**

Someone Like You ..... F. Wildhorn

**Nathene Arthur**

Ulysses ..... A. Tennyson

## Upcoming Calgary Events for the Month of February

<https://armta-calgary.com/event-calendar/#!event-list>

### ***Adult Student Recital***

Sunday, February 8 at 4:30 pm  
Cornerstone Cafe  
139, 14919 Deer Ridge Dr SE

### ***Presentation and Masterclass with John Burge***

Sunday, February 22 from 1:30 to 4:30 pm  
Summit View United Church (formerly St. David's)  
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### ***Outstanding Student Recital***

Saturday, February 28 from 6:30 to 8:30 pm  
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### Bennett Pack

Bouree ..... W. Squire

### Jack Sheng

Scherzo in B flat major ..... F. Schubert

### Maggie Yufei Bai

Prelude - en forme d'une valse ..... G. Wuensch

### Serena Cui

Prelude & Fugue in B flat major, BWV 866 ..... J.S. Bach

### Wynn Phung

The Cat and the Mouse ..... A. Copland

### Kaslyn Chan

Les Collines d'Anacapri (no. 5) ..... C. Debussy

### Maxwell Guo

Impromptu in A flat major, op. 29 ..... F. Chopin

# **GOLD MEDAL & SCHOLARSHIP PRESENTATION**



## **Piano**

### **Junior A (Levels 1-3):**

Liam Galloway

### **Junior B (Levels 4-6):**

Katelyn Lam

### **Intermediate (Levels 7-8):**

Maggie Bai

Serena Cui

### **Advanced (Levels 9, 10, Diploma):**

Maxwell Guo

## **Voice**

### **Junior (Levels 1-4):**

Sebastian Guzman

### **Intermediate (Levels 5-8):**

Aayat Vickram

## **Strings**

### **Junior (Levels 1-4):**

Alice Zhao

### **Intermediate (Levels 5-8):**

Bennett Pack

## **Speech Arts**

### **Junior (Levels 1-4):**

Kaitlyn Chan

### **Intermediate (Levels 5-8):**

Malia Datta

### **Advanced (Levels 9, 10, Diploma):**

Anjali Datta

## **History**

### **Level 9**

Parker Matshes

### **ARCT**

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Jaxon Ng

### *Junior B (Levels 4-6):*

Katelyn Lee  
Yutong Wu  
Zhichen Jiang  
Yan Lap Law  
Tram Do

### *Intermediate (Levels 7-8):*

Kexin Liu  
Nathan Xu

### *Advanced (Levels 9, 10, Diploma):*

Evelyn Shu

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# GRADUATE CEREMONY



## 2025 Graduates

Sorena Cook, student of Linda Kundert

Crystal Chen, student of Peter Rudzik



## Upcoming Calgary Events for the Month of May

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### Annual General Meeting

Monday, May 11 from 9:30 to 11:30 am

Facility to be determined

### IPPA Masterclass (International Piano Professionals Association)

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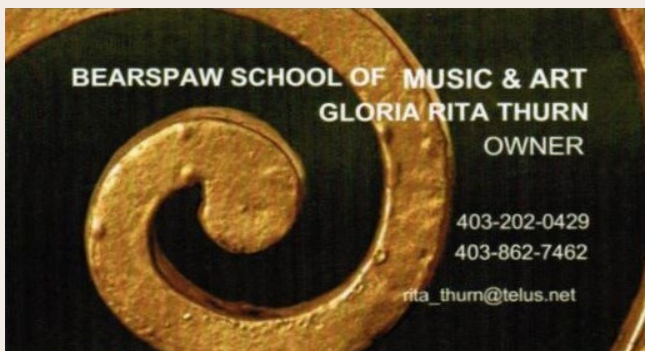
## Named Scholarships

**Maestoso & Prestissimo Scholarships** In 2025, ARMTA Calgary Branch established these two scholarships, named in alignment with the titles of our top sponsorship tiers, Maestoso and Prestissimo. In the event that we acquire advertisers at one or both of these levels, their business name(s) will be added to the scholarship names. These two scholarships are open to piano students at Levels 9, 10, and ARCT. The \$150 Maestoso scholarship will be presented to the student with the second highest aggregate score on a) the practical exam mark, b) the co-requisite Harmony exam mark and c) the co-requisite History exam mark. The \$100 Prestissimo scholarship will be presented to the student with the third highest score.

**Yamaha Scholarship (Maestoso)** We are pleased to welcome our top advertiser to the ARMTA Calgary Recital & Awards (ACRA)!

**Piano Performance Collective Scholarship** Beginning with the 2024 ACRA, this \$200 scholarship is open to piano students at Levels 9, 10, and ARCT. It is presented to the student with the highest aggregate score on a) the practical exam mark, b) the co-requisite Harmony exam mark and c) the co-requisite History exam mark. The scholarship continues a tradition that began with the Piano Diploma Association's Scholarship of a similar nature.

**The Peter Turner Memorial Scholarship** of \$100 is awarded to the student who has earned the highest mark in the ARCT Performance Examination during the past year. Peter Turner was a highly regarded teacher of piano for many years in Calgary. His students played at the highest level and were consistently successful not only in local but also national competitions. Peter Turner set a high standard for both his students and for other teachers, and he was also a senior examiner for the Royal Conservatory of Music. Peter passed away in 2008.



## Named Scholarship Winners

**Yamaha Scholarship ( ARMTA Calgary Maestoso):** Ethan Leung  
**ARMTA Calgary Prestissimo Scholarship:** Evelyn Shu (to be presented at OSR)  
**Piano Performance Collective Scholarship:** Olivia Wang  
**Peter Turner Memorial Scholarship:** Crystal Chen



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