

Buckeye Audition

Robert Satterlee, State Buckeye Auditions Chair

Buckeye Audition Finals were held at Bowling Green State University on June 5. This year 123 students participated in district auditions. There were 25 district winners participating as finalists in the state auditions.

These finalists were:

Elementary Piano	District	Teacher
Yunsang Cho	ME	Tatsuya Nagashima
Lewis Zou	NE	Sean Schulze
Ryan Wood	W	Deborah Macaulay
David Godar	SW	David Skvorak
Skyelar Raiti	MW	Don Hurless
Starr Jiang	NW	Ming Xie
Vincent Dong	CE	Tianshu Wang

Junior High Piano	District	Teacher
Julian Harnish	MW	Wanda Pannabecker
Michelle Li	NW	Frances Renzi
Cindy Zhao	NE	Sean Schulze
JiaKung Feng	ME	Nancy Bachus
Jeffery Huang	SW	Jackson Leung
Katherine Guan	CE	Mary Craig Powell

Senior High Piano	District	Teacher
Roger Zou	NE	Sean Schulze
Michael Lenahan	NW	Robert Satterlee
Brook Zhang	CE	Nina Polonsky
Ellen Chuang	ME	Christina Choy
Benjamin Leung	SW	Benita Tse and Jackson Leung

Elementary Strings	District	Teacher
Isabelle Durrenberger	CE	Jun Kim
Starr Jiang	NW	Yang Kun Song
William Wang	NE	Paul Kantor

Junior High Strings	District	Teacher
Alan Zhang	ME	Ping Yu
Kristina Zhang	CE	David Radzynski
Michelle Li	NW	Merwin Siu

Senior High Strings	District	Teacher
Lee Ann Song	NW	Amy Chang Simon and Yang Kun Song

The winners were:

Elementary Piano: David Godar, David Skvorak, teacher;
 Honorable Mention: Yunsang Cho, Tatsuya Nagashima, teacher, Lewis Zou, Sean Schulze, teacher, Vincent Dong, Tianshu Wang, teacher

Junior High Piano: Katherine Guan, Mary Craig Powell, teacher;
 Honorable Mention: Cindy Zhao, Sean Schulze, teacher;

JiaKung Feng, Nancy Bachus, teacher
 Senior High Piano: Brook Zhang, Nina Polonsky, teacher;
 Honorable Mention: Benjamin Leung, Benita Tse and Jackson Leung, teacher

Elementary Strings: William Wang, Paul Kantor, teacher;
 Honorable Mention: Isabelle Durrenberger, Jun Kim, teacher; Starr Jiang, Yang Kun Song, teacher

Junior High Strings: Kristina Zhang, David Radzynski, teacher
 Honorable Mention: Alan Zhang, Ping Yu, teacher; Michelle Li, Merwin Siu, teacher

Senior High Strings: Lee Ann Song, Amy Chang Simon and Yang Kun Song, teacher

Piano judges were Virginia Marks, Bowling Green State University, Louis Nagel, University of Michigan, and Karen Taylor, Indiana University. The string judge was Alicia Doudna, University of Michigan.

I would like to thank all the District Buckeye Chairs for their hard work and Yen-Lin Goh, Karl Larson, Peter Oehrtman, Jacintha Ratnasamy, Melinda Sondag and I-Chen Yeh for their assistance in running the state auditions.



Katherine Guan, left, Junior High Piano Winner
 David Godar, middle, Elementary Piano Winner
 Brook Zhang, right, High School Piano Winner



Lee Ann Song, left, Senior High Strings Winner
 Kristina Zhang, right, Junior High Strings Winner