

MUSIC TEACHERS NATIONAL ASSOCIATION 2018 COMPOSITION COMPETITION RESULTS

On behalf of Music Teachers National Association, I would like to congratulate all of the finalists in this year's Composition Competition. Music Teachers National Association is pleased to announce the final results of the national competition.

Elementary:

Winner: Kohana Baird, Student of Su-Shing Chiu, CA, Southwest

Second Place: Aaron Wang, Student of Catherine Rollin, MI, East Central

Third Place: Jonah Gharib, Student of Laura Wright, TX, South Central

Junior:

Winner: Matthew Lui, Student of Tomoko Yonemaru, AZ, Southwest

Second Place: Jonathan Hartanto, Student of Kaori Tanioka, NJ, Eastern

Third Place: Benjamin Hu, Student of Ann Witherspoon, TX, South Central

Senior:

Winner: Ty Promreuk, Student of Tomoko Yonemaru, AZ, Southwest

Second Place: Barbara Juminaga, Student of Matthew Hagle, IL, East Central

Third Place: Benjamin Rossen, Student of Jeffrey Cohen, NY, Eastern

Young Artist:

Winner: Anthony Conroy, Student of Marvin Lamb, OK, South Central

Second Place: Christopher Madsen, Student of Scott Holden, UT, Southwest

Third Place: Alexis Carrier, Student of Steven Hesla, MT, Northwest

This year, the national judges were:

Michael Mauldin, Albuquerque, NM

Wynn-Anne Rossi, Wayzata, MN

Jeffrey Smith, New York, NY

MTNA is pleased to offer the following monetary awards:

Awards made possible by Morty and Iris Manus.

- Elementary Winner: \$500
- Elementary Second Place: \$400
- Elementary Third Place: \$300

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- Junior Winner: \$1,000
- Junior Second Place: \$500
- Junior Third Place: \$300

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- Senior Winner: \$2,000
- Senior Second Place: \$1,000
- Senior Third Place: \$300

Awards made possible by the MTNA Foundation Fund

- Young Artist Winner: \$3,000
- Young Artist Second Place: \$1,500
- Young Artist Third Place: \$300

If your monetary award is more than \$600, MTNA requires your social security number to issue your award. [Use this secure link](#) to submit this information. As an alternative, you can call (888) 512-5278, ext. 235, to give your information over the phone.

All national first-place winning compositions must be performed at the MTNA National Conference March 17–21, 2018, at *Disney's Coronado Springs Resort* in Lake Buena Vista, Florida.

- If the first-place winner is unable to attend the National Conference and arrange for a live performance of their composition:
 - a. The first-place ranking will be retained, but cash awards for entrant will be forfeited **and**
 - b. The second-place winner will be given the opportunity to perform.
- If the second-place winner accepts this opportunity, the entrant will receive the first-place cash award in lieu of the second-place cash award.

Each national finalist will receive one complimentary copy of the Commemorative Competition Program Book in which you are recognized. Additional books may be purchased at the conference registration desk for \$10 or by calling (888) 512-5278, ext. 237 and speaking to Melissa Curtice to place your order no later than 3:00 p.m. Eastern Time, February 12, 2018.

Congratulations again to all of the finalists! You should be very proud of your accomplishment. We hope that the comments you receive from the judges will be helpful to you and your teacher. Your efforts are to be commended and we hope that you will continue to learn and grow as a composer. Good luck with your musical studies!

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