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### Student Competitions

The New England Piano Teachers' Association, wishing to encourage excellence in piano performance, offers annual prize competitions. Any teacher who has been a member in good standing since September of the current school year may enter a total of two students in the high school divisions (i.e. two students in one division and none in the other, or one student in each division) and two entrants per teacher in the Middle School Competition.

All competitions will be held at M. Steinert & Sons, 28 Damrell St, South Boston, MA 02127.

All competition winners are required to perform in a recital at the Annual Meeting of NEPTA which will take place on Monday, May 21, 2018, 9:30 am – 12:00 pm at The First Parish of Watertown, 35 Church Street, Watertown. Awards will be presented at that time.

NEPTA also wishes to encourage the efforts of its members' students through awards in the areas of original composition and jazz improvisation.

Please note competitors and teachers may not request the time of the audition. No exceptions.

## Mildred Freiberg Middle School Competition

Congratulations go to the following winners of the Mildred Freiberg Competition held on April 7, 2018 at M. Steinert and Sons in South Boston:

1st Prize: Katherine Liu, student of A. Ramon Rivera 2nd Prize: Michael Karshis, student of Tanya Schwartzman 3rd Prize: Justin Wang, student of Helena Vesterman Honorable Mention: Jillian Smith, student of Cara Quinn

Honorable Mention: Benjamin Shaar, student of Nilly Epstein Shilo

#### Ruth Davidson Competition

Congratulations go to the following winners of the Ruth Davidson Competition held on April 14, 2018 at M. Steinert & Sons in South Boston. The competition was adjudicated by Michael Lewin, Bruce Brubaker and Gila Goldstein.

First Place: Stephen Wang, student of Mila Filatova

Second Place: Tomer Nuriyev, student of Tanya Schwartzman

Third Place: Justin Gu, student of Niva Fried

Honorable mention: Danika Dai, student of Dr. Nilly Epstein Shilo Honorable mention: Meghan Tan, student of Natalia Harlap

#### Alice Hamlet Senior Scholarship Competition

Congratulations go to the following winners of the Alice Hamlet Competition held on April 14, 2018 at M. Steinert & Sons in South Boston. The competition was adjudicated by Michael Lewin, Bruce Brubaker and Gila Goldstein.

No First Place

Second Place: Raquel Fisk, student of Niva Fried

Third Place: Kara Chuang, student of Dr. Nilly Epstein Shilo

# A. Ramón Rivera Contemporary Music Awards

Ruth Davidson: Tomer Nuriyev, student of Tanya Schwartzman

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Alice Hamlet: Raquel Fisk, student of Niva Fried

# Margaret C. Bachelder Romantic Music Award

Established in memory of NEPTA past president Peg Bachelder, who passed away in 2012.

A \$500 award will be given for the best performance of a Romantic work in the Alice Hamlet Competition.

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