



**BERTHA STEVER/ PASCAL MONK SCHOLARSHIP
WINNERS' CONCERT**

May 17, 2008 at 7:00 p.m.

Choral Room
Sacramento State University



Piangeró (from <i>Giulio Cesare</i>)	Händel
Romance	Debussy
Chanson triste	Duparc
Jewel Song (from <i>Faust</i>)	Gounod
Come scoglio (from <i>Così fan tutte</i>)	Mozart

Ariana Uriz, soprano

Polonaise brillante, Op. 3	Chopin
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Elaine Fitz Gibbon, cello

Gretchen am Spinnrade	Schubert, trans. Liszt
Ondine (from <i>Gaspard de la Nuit</i>)	Ravel
Transcendental Etude no.5 ("Feux Follets")	Liszt
Ballade No.1 in G minor, Op. 23	Chopin

Junyao Peng, piano



Scholarship Winners' Biographies

Elaine Fitz Gibbon is a senior at Davis Senior High School, a member of the San Francisco Symphony Youth Orchestra and principal cellist of the Davis Senior High School Symphony Orchestra. She began her cello studies at the age of 5 with Susan MacDonald, studied with Julie Hochman from 1997 to 2007, and is currently a student of Andrew Luchansky. Next fall she will attend New England Conservatory under the tutelage of Natasha Brofsky, and gives her warmest thanks to the Sacramento Saturday Club for aiding her in her endeavors.

Ariana Uriz is very excited to perform Countess Almaviva in BASOTT's upcoming production of *Le nozze di Figaro*. Miss Uriz' opera and musical theater roles include Rosalinda in *Die Fledermaus*, Sandman in *Hansel and Gretel*, First Spirit in *Die Zauberflöte*, Drusilla in *L'incoronazione di Poppea*, Musetta in *La Bohème*, Marian in *The Music Man*, Hodel in *Fiddler on the Roof* and Sarah Brown in *Guys and Dolls*. She will sing her final performance of Candace Whitcomb in the CSUS Opera Theater production of Stephen Paulus' *The Village Singer*, tomorrow at 3:00 pm in the Playwrights Theater at CSUS. Miss Uriz is a student of Jacqueline Victorino.

Born in Kunming, China, **Junyao Peng** began her piano studies at the age of six. A senior at Laguna Creek High School, she is currently under the tutelage of Richard Cionco at California State University, Sacramento, where she has received full scholarship through the university's Accelerated College Entrance program. Winner of the Silver Award in the National Foundation for Advancement in the Arts youngARTS Awards, she was recently selected as a Presidential Scholar in the Arts and will make her debut at the John F. Kennedy Center for Performing Arts in June 2008. For the summer of 2008, Junyao has been invited on scholarship to the Fontainebleau International Music Festival in France. A winner of the 2007 Virginia Waring International Piano Competition, Junyao has been a guest soloist with the Stockton Symphony, UC Davis Symphony, CSU Northridge Symphony, CSU Sacramento Symphony, and Central Valley Youth Symphony. She is also a semi-finalist in the Oberlin International Piano Competition, and a finalist and scholarship recipient in the New York Piano Competition. In addition, she has been a Sacramento Philharmonic League Scholarship Recipient for the past five years and won first prize in the Sylvia Ghiglieri Piano Competition in 2006 at CSU Stanislaus, where she gave a solo recital. Besides her achievements in music, Junyao is an AP Scholar with Distinction and served as the president of her class for three years. Junyao is also a Frank H. Buck Scholar and winner of the 2007 Goldman Sachs Youth Prize for Excellence in International Education. She will attend Stanford University this fall.