

PRESS RELEASE

The Stradivarius International Violin Competition is to commence on Wednesday, June 13, 2007.

Salt Lake City, Utah, June 13, 2007—The Stradivarius International Violin Competition reveals the results of the 1st round for the Main Category in addition to providing a schedule of the events scheduled for the day.

The Stradivarius International Violin Competition begins its third day on June 13, 2007, at Libby Gardner Hall at the University of Utah.

Yesterday (Tuesday, June 12), the judges selected (approximately) nine competitors from each of the three youth sub-categories to move to the second round.

Those advancing in the Youth Category are as follows:

Lower Division

Jessie Chen from California
Mindy Chen from California
Hannah Cho from California
Nikita Haduong from Nevada
Jessica Lyons from Maryland
Simone Porter from Washington
Madison Vest from Verginia
Rebekah Willey from Utah
Jocelyn Zhu from Mississippi

Middle Division

Samantha Anderson from Utah
Jasmine Candland from Utah
Doug Ferry from Utah
Megumi Gass from Utah
Tylee Lin from Illinois
Rachel Ostler from Florida
Betsy Richards from Utah
Rachel Yomtob from Idaho

Upper Division

Andrea Ashdown from Utah
Deborah Ferry from Utah
Eric Gratz from California
Jennifer Liu from California

Emily Nebel from Arizona
David Price from Utah
Crystal Qui fro Illinois
Nichole Schroeder from Missouri
Megan Watts from Utah

The second round for the Youth category will establish rankings of the top three competitors for each of the Youth Categories. The final round on Thursday will rank the first place winners from the youth sub-categories with each other in order to determine the final Youth Category rankings.

On Monday night, the competition officials determined the order of performance for the Semi-finalists in the Main Category. The competitors perform in an alphabetical cycle beginning with the letter drawn at random by the youngest competitor.

Hyorim Han, a violinist from Korea, is the youngest competitor and the one to draw the letter at random. She drew the letter “B”, thus determining that the performances would precede beginning with the first player in the actual alphabetical sequence.

The order of performance is as follows:

Timothy Braun, from the USA.
Jonathan Chan, from Canada.
James Garlick, from the USA.
Hyorim Han, from Korea.
Fangyue He, from China.
Susan Jang, from the USA.
Siwoo Kim, from Korea.
SoJin Kim, from Korea
Bryan Lee, from the USA.
Chang Ho Lim, from Korea.
Sarah Moench, from the USA.
Sharon Park, from the USA.
Andrej Power, from Sweeden.
Yoonshin Song, from Korea.
Chien-Tang Wang, from China.

Today, the Main Category semi-final round is scheduled from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm. This round will select the top five Main Category competitors for the final round tomorrow (Thursday, June 14, 2007).

The final event of the day is one of notable historical significance. The Stradivari and Guarneri concert begins at 7:00 pm, and highlights the work and historical significance of the two greatest violin makers in history. We will provide short lectures intermingled with performances on a Stradivarius and a Guarneri “del Gesu”. These

violins are valued at approximately four million dollars each. The performances will be provided by Victor Danchenko and Andres Cardenes, and lectures on the instruments will be provided by Florian Leonhard, a violin expert from London.