



FROM THE TOP

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This week's program comes from the Aspen Music Festival and School in Aspen, Colorado, where many of the world's top young musicians come to study during the summer. An outstanding teenage violinist from Shanghai triumphs in his performance of one of the most difficult and virtuosic pieces written for unaccompanied violin, and we'll meet a young flutist with a moving story about being adopted as an 18-year-old into a new family.

Performers and repertoire:

The **Aspen Piano Trio** performs the first movement, *Allegro con brio*, from Piano Trio No. 1 in B major, Op. 8, by Johannes Brahms (1833–1897).

14-year-old violinist **Qing Yu Chen** from Bayside, New York

16-year-old cellist **Macintyre Taback** from New York, New York

17-year-old pianist **Huan Li** from Guangdong, China, and now Elmhurst, New York

16-year-old cellist **Lucie Ticho** from Hinsdale, Illinois, performs *Serenade from Spanish Dances*, Op. 54, No. 2, by David Popper (1843–1913), with pianist Christopher O'Riley.

18-year-old violinist **Yiliang Jiang** from Shanghai, China, performs *Sonata in D minor*, Op. 27, No. 3, "Ballade," by Eugène Ysaÿe (1858–1931).

Alumni feature: 19-year-old flutist **Anthony Trionfo** from Worthington, Ohio, performs the first movement, *Allegro*, from *Sonata for Flute and Piano*, Op. 167, "Undine," by Carl Reinecke (1824–1910), with pianist Christopher O'Riley.

17-year-old pianist **Taek Gi Lee** from Seoul, South Korea, and now Warren, Connecticut, performs *Nocturne in C minor*, Op. 48, No. 1, by Frédéric Chopin (1810–1849).

The **Alumni Finale Trio** performs the fourth movement, *Finale*, from *Suite for Two Cellos and Piano* by Gian Carlo Menotti (1911–2007).

17-year-old cellist **Anne Richardson** from Louisville, Kentucky

15-year-old cellist **Zlatomir Fung** from Westborough, Massachusetts

18-year-old pianist **Sarina Zhang** from San Diego, California