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The public is invited to attend the 2018 Dr. Robert Stanger Young Artists Audition on Saturday, February 17, at Elmhurst Christian Reformed Church, 149 W. Brush Hill Rd. in Elmhurst. Hours are from 8:30 to 11:45 a.m. and 1:00 to 4:15 p.m. Those attending this free event may come and go throughout the day. Everyone is invited to attend a luncheon at Park Place from 12:00. until 1:00 p.m. The cost is \$22 per person; to purchase tickets please visit [www.elmhurstsymphony.org](http://www.elmhurstsymphony.org) (Tickets and Events) or call the ESO office at [630-941-0202](tel:630-941-0202).

Conducted by the Elmhurst Symphony Association and sponsored by the Elmhurst Kiwanis Club and the former Auxiliary of the ESO through its Eunice B. Sidener Scholarship, the annual Stanger Audition was started in honor of the late Dr. Robert C Stanger, who was president of Elmhurst College, a Kiwanian, and president of the Elmhurst Symphony Association Board of Directors. The audition provides an opportunity for outstanding high school instrumentalists to gain recognition for their efforts and compete for the opportunity to perform a concerto movement with the Elmhurst Symphony Orchestra. Three judges will offer written comments to each of the 23 high school entrants who come from Elmhurst as well as many surrounding suburbs. Students will play music by a wide range of composers and for several different instruments, including violin, viola, cello, string bass, oboe, flute, saxophone, French horn, marimba and piano. Monetary awards are given to the four top performers; the first-place winner will perform with the ESO during its 2018-19 season.

Everyone is welcome to spend all or part of the day immersed in music performed by stars of the future; come and hear as many as you like. You might well be listening to the next Jennifer Koh, Mary Stolper or Joshua Brown! For more information call [the ESO office or visit the ESO website](mailto:the ESO office or visit the ESO website).

Photo: Violist Aditi Prakash, 2017 Stanger Audition winner, will perform at the May 5 concert of the Elmhurst Symphony Orchestra

