

## THE PUNAHOU SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

# Concerto Showcase

**Kate Wong** began her musical journey at the age of three and a half on a tiny 1/32 size violin. She is a member of the Punahou Symphony Orchestra, Punahou Chamber Music Program, and Hawaii Youth Symphony (HYS). Kate has participated in many music workshops, including Indiana University's Summer String Academy, and has placed in numerous Hawaii Music Teachers Association competitions. Sharing music is one of Kate's passions; she enjoys playing for community organizations and assisting beginning musicians as a HYS Academy String Program teaching assistant. She hopes to continue playing the violin both with and for others. Kate would like to thank Ms. Alexia Luscher, Ms. Helen Higa, Mr. Jim Stanford, Mrs. Helen Chao-Casano, Dr. Jonas Carlson, and Mr. Craig Young for their support and instruction over the years. She is incredibly grateful to her former violin teacher, Ms. Joan Doike, for her never-ending music and life mentorship and to her current instructor, Mr. Ignace Jang, for his commitment to her music-making. When Kate is not playing the violin, she enjoys dancing, baking, and spending time with friends. Most of all, Kate is grateful to her parents, Mrs. Joyce Wong and Dr. Vernon Wong, and her siblings for supporting her and bringing joy and inspiration into her life.

**Erika Kwee** began playing the violin at the age of four when she joined the Punahou Suzuki Violin Program under the instruction of Ms. Helen Higa. Currently, Erika is concertmaster of the Punahou Symphony and Hawaii Youth Symphony I. She has received first-place awards in Hawaii Music Teachers Association competitions and has participated in several music institutes and festivals, including the Suzuki Method World Convention in Matsumoto Japan, Japan-Seattle Suzuki Institute, Jacobs School of Music Summer String Academy, New England Conservatory Summer Orchestra Institute, Pacific Music Institute, and Hawaii Chamber Music Festival. Erika is a member of Punahou's Debate and Math Teams, works as an ocean lifeguard for the City & County, and is a teaching assistant for physics. In her free time, she enjoys surfing and sewing. She plans to study mechanical engineering at MIT while continuing her studies in music. Erika would like to thank her violin teachers, Ms. Helen Higa and Ms. Maile Reeves, who have helped cultivate her passion for the violin. She would also like to thank Mrs. Helen Chao-Casano, Mr. Craig Young, Dr. Jonas Carlson, Mr. Ignace Jang, and Mr. Joseph Stepec for helping her grow as a musician. Lastly, she would like to thank her sister, Lauren, and her parents, Drs. Leilani Kaanehe and Sandi Kwee, for their support and encouragement throughout the years.

**Maddy Hodge** has been playing the piano for thirteen years and studies under Mrs. Rosy Wang at the Masaki School of Music. Maddy has also played the violin for seven years. Her current violin teacher is Mr. Iggy Jang, and she participates in the Punahou Symphony, Punahou Chamber Music Program, and the Hawaii Youth Symphony II. In addition to music, Maddy also loves to surf with her friends and compete in tournaments with the Punahou Debate Team. Maddy will be attending Stanford University in the fall and plans to study International Relations. She hopes to continue playing piano and violin in college and will never stop playing music. Maddy would foremost like to thank Mrs. Rosy Wang for almost a decade of hard work and support and who continues to make a huge impact on her life. Maddy is also grateful to Mr. Craig Young, Dr. Jonas Carlson, and Mrs. Helen Chao-Casano for all their guidance throughout the years. Finally, Maddy thanks her parents, Jon and Xiaoqing Hodge, for their constant love, encouragement, and support, especially with all her music commitments. She is so grateful for the opportunity to share her passion for music with everyone and will always love the experiences and friendships she made on her musical journey.

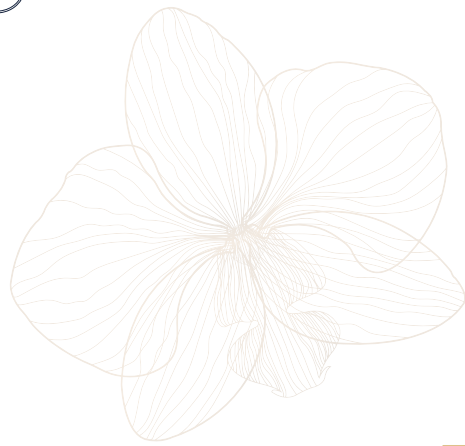
**Celina Lim** began playing the cello at age six with Ms. Nancy Masaki. Celina made her solo orchestral debut with the Kamuela Philharmonic at age eleven after winning the Madeline Schatz-Harris Concerto Competition. She has won numerous awards over the years in the Hawaii Music Teachers Association and Music Teachers National Association competitions. She has also won the Charleston International Music Competition, various Great Composers Competitions, and is a Morning Music Club award recipient. This past summer, she traveled to New York and Florida as principal cellist of Carnegie Hall's Weill Music Institute - National Youth Orchestra of the United States of America. This coming summer, she will be a part of the NYO-USA program. She is currently the principal cellist of the Hawaii Youth Symphony I and the Punahou Symphony Orchestra, and has been a member of the Punahou Chamber Music Program since the seventh grade. Outside of music, she leads Punahou's Teens in Medicine Club and Student Advocates for Gender Equality club. She would like to thank her parents, Mrs. Christina Lim and Mr. Jeff Lim, and her sisters, Jany and Jayce, for their constant love and encouragement. Additionally, she would like to recognize Dr. Jonas Carlson, Mr. Craig Young, and Mrs. Helen Chao-Casano for motivating her passion for music, and she sends her warmest mahalo to Mrs. Nancy Masaki for always being her number one supporter.



**Kate Wong**, violin  
**Maddy Hodge**, piano

**Erika Kwee**, violin  
**Celina Lim**, cello

Friday, February 24, 2023  
7:00 pm • Dillingham Hall



# Program

**Mr. Craig Young and  
Dr. Jonas Carlson**  
*conducting*

VIOLIN CONCERTO IN D MAJOR, OP. 61  
Ludwig van Beethoven (1770-1827)  
III. Rondo

**Kate Wong, violin**

INTRODUCTION AND RONDO CAPRICCIOSO, OP. 28  
Camille Saint-Saëns (1835-1921)

**Erika Kwee, violin**

PIANO CONCERTO NO. 1 IN E MINOR, OP. 11  
Frédéric Chopin (1810-1849)  
I. Allegro maestoso

**Maddy Hodge, piano**

VARIATIONS ON A ROCOCO THEME, OP. 33  
Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky (1840-1893)

**Celina Lim, cello**

*Please join the Symphony Orchestra for a reception  
on the Dillingham Lanai immediately following this evening's performance.*

# Punahou Symphony Orchestra

2023

## VIOLIN 1

Skye Aoki  
Kai Asakura  
Preston Chi  
Emi Harstad  
Maddy Hodge  
Ashley Hong  
Hinano Kawaiaea  
Riya Krishnagopalan  
Erika Kwee\*\*  
Aria Saines  
Max Shinno  
Gwyneth Tenn  
Kate Wong  
Irene Zhong

## VIOLIN 2

Paisley Asato  
Mark Chen  
Narissa Chen  
Chani Chung  
Flora Elham  
Jonathan Hsieh  
Kai Im  
Kamalau Kimata  
Brix Kozuki  
Tyler Lau  
Brennin Lee  
Gigi Lee\*  
Victor Lee  
Mia Nagashima  
Alicia Pearson  
Aaron Ruhaak  
William Wang  
Raynna Yamauchi  
Jacie Yogi  
Daniel Yoo  
Dylan Younoszai

## VIOLA

Rinny Fan  
Matthew Ikeda  
Swan Kim  
Albert Ko  
Jonathan Kwon  
Eric Nakamoto  
Keon Sagara\*  
Cassidy Sakamoto  
Madison Takai  
Alex Woo

## CELLO

Ian Ahn  
Conrad Cao  
Eleanor Cowell  
Matthew Huo  
Justin Kwak  
Celina Lim\*  
Daniel Lin  
Justin Merner  
Davis Morichika  
Reyn Yamauchi

## BASS

Isabelle Morita  
Iris Sim\*  
Kaimana Spear

## FLUTE

Ellie Rose<sup>‡</sup>  
Rachel Hatanaka

## BASSOON

Michael Martin  
Gabe Paraso

## OBOE

Erin Matsushita  
Scott Okumura<sup>‡</sup>

## FRENCH HORN

Ethan Stanfield  
Kaitlyn Isobe

## CLARINET

Daeniel Tiamzon  
Alice Choi

## TRUMPET

Michael Englar  
Ethan Garland

## TIMPANI

Kelsey Tajima

\*\* Concertmaster

\* Section Leader

<sup>‡</sup> Guest Artist

Winds, brass and percussion collaborating  
musicians from the University of Hawai'i at Manoa.

