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Featuring Prize Winners

Shreya Girish, flute Eric Zhang, piano

Joined by Finalist Erin Huang, flute

Grace Betry, piano

Sunday, October 26, 2025 • 4:00 p.m. Florence Harkness Memorial Chapel 11200 Bellflower Road Cleveland, OH 44106

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Shreya Girish (Winner) is a third-year student at Case Western Reserve University, pursuing majors in Systems Biology, Humanity & Technology, and Flute Performance, where she studies with Heidi Ruby-Kushious. She regularly rotates as Principal Flute with the Case/University Circle Symphony Orchestra, Symphonic Winds, and Baroque Orchestra, and is an avid chamber musician. In this capacity, she was invited to perform the Ohio premiere of Kevin Day's Symphony Basquiat with a chamber wind symphony.

An active competitor, Shreya is a two-time prizewinner in Tuesday Musical's Performance Scholarship Competition and the 2025 winner of the CWRU Concerto Competition. She looks forward to performing Khachaturian's Concerto in D minor with the Euclid Symphony Orchestra in November. Prior to college, she made her solo debut at age sixteen with the Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra, served as Principal Flute of the Milwaukee Youth Symphony Orchestra, and toured Belgium and the Netherlands, performing in the Royal Concertgebouw and Queen Elisabeth Hall.

Also an accomplished pianist, Shreya won the Wisconsin Federation of Music Clubs' State Competition. Beyond her own performance career, she has inspired younger musicians through five years of private flute teaching. She is deeply grateful for the support of her family, teachers, and peers throughout her musical journey.



Eric Zhang (Winner) is a third-year undergraduate student at Case Western Reserve University from Bedford, Massachusetts, pursuing a double major in Music and Chemical Biology. He studies piano with Gerardo Teissonnière and began playing at the age of five. Since then, he has become a laureate of numerous local and national competitions, appeared as a guest on NPR's From the Top, and attended several summer music festivals.

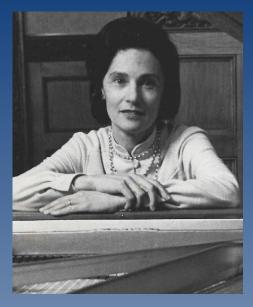
Eric is especially passionate about contemporary repertoire and particularly enjoys performing works by Kapustin, Rzewski, and other modern composers. Beyond the keyboard, he serves as president of Brew CWRU, an organization dedicated to promoting specialty coffee education on campus, and is an executive member of both CWRU M.U.S.I.C. and the Muslim Student Association. In his free time, he enjoys cooking, antiquing, and experimenting with new ways to brew the perfect cup of coffee.



Erin Huang (Finalist) is a second-year student in the Joint Music Program at Case Western Reserve University, where she is double majoring in Music and Biomedical Engineering. She studies flute with Heidi Ruby-Kushious and has performed with the CIM New Music Ensemble, CIM/CWRU Baroque Orchestra, Case/University Circle Symphony Orchestra, and Symphonic Winds. In the past year, she was selected for the Greater Cleveland Flute Society's 2024 masterclass, named an Alternate Finalist for the Central Ohio Flute Association 2025 Competition, and awarded the Joseph Regna Full Scholarship to attend the 2025 Repoyal Summer Music Festival

A native of Boston, Erin has performed with the Boston Youth Symphony Orchestra, Boston Ballet Next Generation Orchestra, Rivers Youth Symphony, Tufts Youth Philharmonic, and various All-State ensembles. She has also attended festivals such as Domaine Forget de Charlevoix, The Consummate Flutist at Carnegie Mellon University, Aria International Summer Academy, and Interlochen Arts Camp. In 2022, she was a finalist in the prestigious Boston Pops Fidelity Investments Young Artist Competition.

Outside of music, Erin enjoys long-distance running and spending time with her younger sister.



Established in 1996 by Leonard Ronis in memory of his wife, Joan Terr Ronis—a renowned Cleveland piano soloist, chamber musician, and teacher—this recital prize honors excellence in musical performance and is awarded each spring through a competitive audition to an outstanding undergraduate music major who has demonstrated exceptional artistry and contributed significantly to the musical life of Case Western Reserve University.

The Department of Music at Case Western Reserve University

cordially invites you to honor the life and memory of Joan Terr Ronis

and to celebrate the achievements of **Shreya Girish, flute & Eric Zhang, piano**

at the

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