



## Press Release

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### The Chicago National Chamber Music Competition Announces the 2023 Winners!



*Trio Fiammifero*; Javier Irizarry (violin), Callia Murray (viola), Cecillia O'Malley (cello)



*Incendio Saxophone Trio*; Alexander Procajlo (soprano saxophone), Zachary Solomon (alto saxophone), Emma Phillips (baritone saxophone)

On February 19<sup>th</sup>, 2023, Midwest Young Artists Conservatory hosted the annual Chicago National Chamber Music Competition at its home at the MYAC Center in Fort Sheridan, Highwood IL. Over thirty different chamber groups of high school students competed before a panel of four prestigious judges from around the country. The competition was split into two

separate divisions: Open and MYAC Division. The judges took their time in carefully listening and deciding amongst the wide array of talent shown. Listed below are the results:

## OPEN DIVISION

**Overall Winner:** *Incendio Saxophone Trio*; Alexander Procajlo (soprano saxophone), Zachary Soloman (alto saxophone), Emma Phillips (baritone saxophone).

**Strings & Piano Category Winner:** *Goya Trio*; Lily Sullivan (violin), Serge Kalinovsky (cello), Noah Kim (piano).

### **Strings & Piano Honorable Mentions (alphabetical order):**

- *NMS Quartet*; Ella Saputra (violin), Chance Inouye (violin), Nazeeh Shahid (viola), William Tan (cello).
- *Pondrom Quartet*; Ava Kenney (violin), Jane Story (violin), Sage Eckard-Lee (viola), Katarina Kenney (cello).

**Wind Category Winner:** *Incendio Saxophone Trio*; Alexander Procajlo (soprano saxophone), Zachary Soloman (alto saxophone), Emma Phillips (baritone saxophone).

### **Wind Category Honorable Mentions:**

- *Purple Hippopotami*; Katherine Chen (flute), Sofia Villanueva (flute), Jacob Cornejo (flute).
- *Bone Rangers*; Padriac Sullivan (trombone), Gensis Morales (trombone), Jonathan Martinez (bass trombone), Cal Riordan (bass trombone).

## MYAC DIVISION

**Overall Winner:** *Trio Fiammifero*; Javier Irizarry (violin), Callia Murray (viola), Cecillia O'Malley (cello).

**Honorable Mention:** *Aurum Quartet*; John Lee (violin), Vincenzo Zuppardo (violin), Kay Ito (viola), Jocelyn Gao (cello).

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