

Evie Chen



Evie Chen, 16, a junior at Palo Alto High School, began studying the violin at age 4 and she is currently a student of Mrs. Jenny Rudin of Palo Alto. Evie made her first debut with Fremont Symphony Orchestra at age 8, after being the youngest contestant to win the Nafisa Taghioff Award of the Fremont Symphony Orchestra's 2000 Young Artists Competition

Recently, Evie won the UC Davis Mondavi Center 3rd Annual Young Artist Competition, senior division instrumental prize, and in Fall 2007, Evie was the first place winner of American String Teachers Association, California State Solo Competition. Her other awards include the Palo Alto Chamber Orchestra Concerto Competition 2004 and 2006, the Nova Vista Symphony Young Artist Competition

2002, and the Cal-ASTA State Solo Competition 2002.

In November 2002, Evie was invited to be a featured artist on a special televised program, "Inside Art", about gifted children on cable channel 26, hosted by Keith Kreitman. In January 2004, Ms. Chen was a featured artist with the San Francisco Chamber Orchestra under baton of Mr. Ben Simon in two New Year's concerts at Berkley and San Francisco. Heuwell Tircuit, a music critic, hailed her as "the remarkable 12-year-old violinist" In the summer of 2004, Evie attended the Soesterberg International Music Festival In Holland, where she gave both solo and chamber ensemble performances. In March 2006 Evie performed at the Junior Bach Festival at Berkley and in June 2006, Evie performed with the Palo Alto Chamber Orchestra as one of the soloist in the Bach Triple Violin Concerto. Currently, Ms. Chen is the co-concertmaster of the Palo Alto Chamber Orchestra.