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NAC ORCHESTRA BURSARY COMPETITION MAY 21 2018

The Friends of the NAC Orchestra Award is intended to further the training of a gifted young musician.

This year Jacob van der Sloot won our FNACO Award of \$3,000.

Jacob is a viola player and the required excerpts were from Strauss Ein Heldenleben, Beethoven Symphony No. 4 and Berlioz' Roman Carnival Overture. His own programme piece was Walton's Viola Concerto.

Jacob is 20 years old and is attending Juilliard in New York.

Hello Friends of NACO,

I had a wonderful time at the competition this past weekend. I learned a lot about preparation of excerpts and how different a performance feels when playing for a jury.

I plan to use my award for orchestra and school auditions this coming year. I will be auditioning for 4-5 schools for my masters degree this coming year, and the money will be beneficial in enabling me to take the auditions I want.

I am also planning to start taking orchestra auditions as they come up next year. One thing I learned from this bursary competition was that orchestra auditions, with the jury, excerpts and audition time frame, is a whole different experience than playing a normal concert.

Seeing as I would like to pursue an education in orchestra playing, I think it is important for me to start gaining experience at orchestra auditions.

This award will help with flights and accommodation at these auditions. Any money left over after my auditions this coming year will go towards my tuition/room+board at my college in the coming year.

Thank you again for this generous award. Taking auditions that are essential to my education is not cheap, and this award will be a huge help to me in enabling me to take all the auditions that I need.

Sincerely,

Jacob van der Sloot

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KIWANIS SENIOR SCHOLARSHIP 2018

These scholarships are awarded annually to participants at a senior level who are pursuing careers in music.

Delia Li – violin, was awarded the Friends of NACO scholarship of \$1,000.

To Friends of NACO,

I am very honoured to have won it! Thank you for the great opportunity.

The award will be used towards the tuition of attending the Jacobs School of Music at Indiana University. I will be beginning my undergraduate there starting this year, so it is of great help.

Thanks again,

Delia