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### Age

10 years old

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### **Master Class**

2023

Prof. Vladimir Kharin (University of Music and Performance Arts, Vienna)

2023

Daniel Adam Maltz (Fortepianist based in Vienna)

## **Academics**

2018-2024 Double Gifted Program Shady Grove Elementary Glen Allen, Virginia

2021

Grand award (99%) John Hopkins University Center for Talented Youth

# **Stephen Chen**

Stephen started piano studies at the age of 5 with Ms. Ruta Smedina-Starke (music faculty of the Virginia Commonwealth University). He has participated actively in various music competitions, most notably:

## **International Competitions**

- 1st prize in V International Chopin Competition, Vienna, Austria, 2023
- 1st prize in OPUS Music Competition, USA, 2023
- 1st prize in American Protégé International Competition, USA, 2023
- 1st prize in Stockholm 10th International Music Competition, Sweden, 2023
- 1st prize in Carles & Sofia International Piano Competition, Spain, 2023
- 1st prize in Vienna Virtuoso International Competition, Austria, 2023
- 1st prize in Charleston International Competition, USA, 2023
- 1st prize in Elite International Music Competition, USA, 2022
- 1st prize in International Youth Music Competition, USA, 2023
- 1st prize in American Music Talent Competition, USA, 2023
- 2nd prize in San Francisco International Piano Competition, USA, 2023
- 2nd prize and best Chinese song performance in International Young Artist Piano Competition, USA, 2023
- 2nd prize in Enkor International Music Competition, USA, 2023
- 3rd prize in Feurich International Competition, Austria, 2023
- 2nd prize in Arteial International Piano Competition, 2023
- 2nd prize in the Pacific International Piano Competition, USA, 2023
- Honorable mention in International Grande Music Competition, USA, 2023
- Honorable mention in Bradshaw & Buono Piano Competition, USA 2023

### **State/District Competitions**

- VMTA (Virginia Music Teacher Association) state audition
  - o 2021: 2nd place (4th grade and under)
  - o 2022: 1st place (4th grade and under)
  - 2023: 3rd place (5th to 6th grade)
- RMTA (Richmond Music Teacher Association)
  - 2021-2023: 1st place in Central Virginia District Auditions
  - o 2021-2023: 1st place in Bach competition
  - 2021-2023: 1st place in the Sonata Competition
  - o 2022: Student of the Year Achievement Award
  - 2023: Summer Music Camp Scholarship

# **Invited Performance**

- 2023: Three Carnegie Hall performances debuts
- 2023: Performance Debut at EHRBAR SAAL Vienna.
- 2023: Performs at Washington International Piano Festival 2023
- 2024: Performs at III International Gloria Artis Talents Festival in Vienna Austria.
- 2020-2023: RMTA recital at St. Catherine's School, Richmond, VA

### Volunteer

• 2020-2023: Regularly performs at retirement centers of the greater Richmond area, such as Stmary's woods, Manor House, and Our Lady of Hope