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International Young Women's Composition Competition 2024 Winners

Evanston, IL (October 31, 2024) - The Musical Offering proudly announces the winners of the International Young Women's Composition Competition 2024 (IYWCC). This is an annual competition open to all women, female-identified, and non-binary students ages 12-18 regardless of country. Partnering with The EcoVoice Project, the category for the 2024 composition was music for piano and voice.

The EcoVoice Project uses music and interdisciplinary collaboration to inform, connect, and inspire people to act for environmentally just causes. The composers selected one of four poems provided or chose their own text with themes of nature to set to music.

We look forward to releasing video recordings of the winning submissions in November. The recordings will feature Musical Offering faculty members Anna Joy Buegel (soprano), Sophia Heinz (mezzo-soprano), and Rick Ferguson (piano). Cash prizes will be awarded to the winners.

Middle School Division (ages 12-14)

1st Prize (\$350): Joanna Mo (Sugarland, TX, USA) - *Nature's Music* 2nd Prize (\$250): Amalia Jasso (Santa Fe, NM, USA) - *Nothing But Gold Can Stay*

High School Division (ages 15-18)

1st Prize (\$450): Amber Chow (Toronto, ON, CA) - *Wild Sky* 2nd Prize (\$350): Madeline Yang (Huntington Beach, CA, USA) - *Gold* 3rd Prize (\$250): Julia Lu (Ellicott City, MD, USA) - *Nothing But Gold Can Stay*

Congratulations to the 2024 winners and be on the lookout for 2025 IYWCC information!

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