## Athanasios Kyparos Artistic Biography

Athanasios Kyparos was born in Thessaloniki, Greece in 2007. He is currently a grade two junior-high school student. He started his music studies at the New Conservatory of Thessaloniki, Greece, at the age of 6 and a fter audition in 2018, he was accepted to continue his violin and music studies in Thessaloniki State Conservatory, under the supervision of Professor Georgios Petropoulos. At present, he is attending the 2nd class of high music education level and he has achieved the highest grades. Athanasios is also a n active member of the Student's Symphony Orchestra of Thessaloniki State Conservatory, of "MOYSA" – Megaro Youth Symphony Orchestra of Thessaloniki, and of "Mandoulides" Junior-Senior High School Orchestra.

Athanasios is a first prize winner of several International Music Competitions, such as "Grand Prize Virtuoso" (Paris, 2020), "Golden Classical Music Awards" (New York, 2021), International Youth Music Competition (Atlanta USA, 2021), "Online Wave" (Spain, 2020 "World Art Games" Fiestalonia Milenio International Contest (Spain, 2021) and the Grand Prix winner at "Spring in London" First International Competition of Music and Arts (United Kingdom, 2021). Athanasios has featured as a soloist in Wiener Saal Mozarteum, Salzburg (Austria), in Thessaloniki's Concert Hall (Greece), in the Archaeological Museum of Thessaloniki (Greece), and is selected to feature as a soloist in Weill Recital Hall, at Carnegie Hall, New York, in Winners Concert and Awards Ceremony of the "Golden Classical Music Awards" Competition", at 2022 Season Debut.

He has attended Masterclasses with the violinists Kurt Nikkanen (2020), Haiou Meng (2018) and Georgios Demertzis (2017) and C onducting O rchestra W orkshops with George Vranos (2019), Safira - Antzus Ramos (2018) and Zoi Tsokanou (2017). He has also c onducted the brass (2017) and the string orchestra (2017, 2018 and has c omposed for MOYSA and conducted his own music composition entitled "Shyness and Dare", in Thessaloniki 's Concert Hall (2019).

Apart from music studies and school, Athanasios is having German and English lessons and in his spare time he enjoys table tennis, outdoors activities, swimming, cycling and running.