

## Bio –

Catherine Du is a 17-year-old student from Winter Park High School. She has loved the arts and music since a young age and has continued to manifest this passion through piano, violin, singing, painting, as well as many others. She started playing the piano with Mrs. Zalina Gurevich at 4 years old and the violin with Ms. Svetlana Gubnitskaya at 6 years old. With these instruments, she has competed in music competitions each year, resulting in a list of several awards, scholarships, and first places. Previously, she had competed in the 2014 Stockholm International Music Competition and won first place in the piano solo event. She looks forward to competing again this year in the same event to see how far she has come in her career as a pianist and musician.

## Major awards of recent years (partial listing):

2021

Stockholm International Music Competition, 3<sup>rd</sup> place

2019

Carmen Schentrup Memorial Award, Piano Solo, 1<sup>st</sup> place

Steinway Junior Piano Competition, Piano Solo, Division III, 1<sup>st</sup> place

2018

Orlando Music Club Awards Auditions, Piano Solo, Superior

Orlando Music Club Awards Auditions, Piano Concerto, Superior

2017

FFMC State Winner, Piano Solo, 1<sup>st</sup> place

FFMC State Winner, Piano Concerto, 1<sup>st</sup> place

2016

FFMC State Winner, Piano Solo, 1<sup>st</sup> place

FFMC State Winner, Piano American Patriotic/Folk Song, 1<sup>st</sup> place

FFMC State Winner, Violin Solo, 1<sup>st</sup> place

2015

Florida MTNA Junior Piano, Special Chopin Prize given by Chopin Foundation of the United States