NKU Philharmonic Concerto Competition
Opus 7, 2023–2024
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NKU Concerto Competition Founder and Artistic Director

Wednesday, Nov. 8, 2023 // 6 p.m.
Greaves Concert Hall

2023 CONCERTO COMPETITION JUDGES
Rose Brown, Violinist, Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra
Dr. Brianna Matzke, Associate Professor of Music, Wilmington College

COMPETITION ORDER
The order for each division was determined by random drawing. Please note that this is an open competition, not a concert.
Audience members are welcome to come in and out, but please enter and exit between competitors.

6:00 p.m.
Clarinet Concerto in A Major, K. 622 ......................................................... Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756–1791)
I. Allegro

Peyton Wallace, clarinet
Senior Music Education Major
Bob Conda, piano

6:15 p.m.
Piano Concerto in A Minor, Op. 16 ....................................................................................Edvard Grieg (1843–1907)
I. Allegro molto moderato

Maria Huff, piano
Senior Music Performance Major
Christina Seal, piano

6:30 p.m.
Violin Concerto in E Minor, Op. 64 .................................................................Felix Mendelssohn (1809–1847)
I. Allegro molto appassionato

Gracie Niehaus, violin
Sophomore Music Performance Major
Bob Conda, piano

6:45 p.m.
Violin Concerto No. 2 ................................................................................Henri Wieniawski (1835–1880)
I. Allegro moderato

Eva Vandegrift, violin
Sophomore Music Education Major
Bob Conda, piano
7:00 p.m.
Concerto No. 4 in F Minor, RV 297, Op. 8 “Winter” .................................Antonio Vivaldi (1678–1741)

Maia Loiacono, violin
Sophomore Music Performance Major
Bob Conda, piano

7:15 p.m.

Norma Dieterlen, piano
Senior Music Performance Major
Richard Van Dyke, piano

ABOUT THE NKU PHILHARMONIC CONCERTO COMPETITION
The NKU Philharmonic Concerto Competition began in 2017. Each year, external judges are brought in to judge talented NKU competitors. Competitors must perform their pieces from memory, making the competition a particularly challenging feat. Winners of the competition perform as soloists with the NKU Philharmonic Orchestra in their annual “On the Rise” concert in February. The judges reserve the right to have no winners of the competition in a given year.

HISTORY OF NKU PHILHARMONIC CONCERTO COMPETITION WINNERS

Op. 6 Concerto Competition Winners
(2022–2023 season)
Anna Stephens, cello
James Tober, III, clarinet
Kyle Walker, marimba

Op. 5 Concerto Competition Winners
(2021–2022 season)
Gracie Niehaus, violin
Russell Zimmer, viola

Op. 4 Concerto Competition Winners
(2020–2021 season)
Maddie Pittman, violin
Jimmy Tober, clarinet

Op. 3 Concerto Competition Winners
(2019–2020 season)
Victor Cabezas, horn
Kyle Ledbetter, cello
John Niehaus, viola
Nicole Ortiz, clarinet

Opus 2 Concerto Competition Winners
(2018–2019 Season)
Jon McIntyre, saxophone
Gita Srinivasan, cello
Corey Watzek, double bass

Opus 1 Concerto Winners
(2017–2018 Season)
Christopher Gratsch, marimba
Nao Kamiya, piano
William Lommel, trombone

THANK YOU
A special thanks to our 2023–2024 Concerto Competition judges, Rose Brown and Dr. Brianna Matzke. Congratulations and thank you to all our competitors. Thank you to the NKU Philharmonic members who volunteered their time to help with set-up and logistics for this competition. Thank you to the NKU SOTA administration for their support of this endeavor.