

ASTA/NJ SOLO STRING COMPETITION
at Kean University 2009



Biography: Kevin Lin

Sixteen-year-old Kevin Lin, born in New York City, started the violin at age 6 at the JCC Thurnauer School of Music in Tenafly, New Jersey with Cheryl Norman. He later went on to study with Julie Becker, and Sharon Roffman at JCC. Kevin now studies with Patinka Kopec at the Manhattan School of Music Precollege division since 2007.

At the Thurnauer School of Music, Kevin was chosen to perform in the annual Handler Master Class Series with Todd Phillips, Pamela Frank, Philip Setzer, and Peter Winograd. Kevin Lin also appeared in numerous venues with the JCC Thurnaur Music Group, that include, Carnegie Hall's Zankel Hall with Keshet Eilon, The Jewish Museum, The Metropolitan Museum, Lincoln Center's Merkin Hall, The Grand Hyatt Hotel in New York City, Disney World. Kevin was invited to perform at The Ninth Annual Humanity Awards at West side Presbyterian Church, Ridgewood, New Jersey in 2008.

Kevin won an Honorable Mention in the New Jersey ASTA string competition in 2006 and 2009. He was awarded with the Kate Bamberger Memorial Award at Manhatan School of Music in 2008. Recently, he won 2nd place in the Alexander and Buono International String Competition, 1st place in the Sound Symphony Concerto Competition, Greenwich Village Orchestra Concerto Competition, and Algonquin Art's Rising Star Competition.

Kevin has attended several summer music programs including, EMS Summer String Festival, JCC Chamber Music Camp, The Kinhaven Music Camp, and Heifetz International Institute.

Kevin is currently a member of the Manhattan School of Music Philharmonic Orchestra and the concertmaster of the Tenafly High School Honors Orchestra. In the past he was concertmaster of the Manhattan School of Music Symphony Orchestra under the direction of James Sadewhite, concertmaster of the JCC Thurnauer School of Music Symphony Orchestra under the direction of Lou Kosma, concertmaster of the Senior and Junior Division, New Jersey Region One Orchestra.