

## **Davidson Fellow Laureate**

## Joshua Feldman

(\$50,000 Scholarship Recipient)



## **Personal Info**

Name: Joshua Feldman

Age: 11

Manhasset Hills, New York

#### **School Info**

Joshua attends Herricks Middle School, a public school in New Hyde Park, NY, and the Juilliard School of Music, Pre-college Division.

# **Davidson Fellows Submission** (Humanities: Music)

The youngest musician ever accepted to The Juilliard School, Joshua prodigiously performed a piano recital composed of four masterpieces from the Baroque period to the 20<sup>th</sup> century: Chopin's Sherzo No. 2 in B-flat Minor, Op.31, Bach's Organ Prelude in G-minor, Beethoven's Sonata No. 8 in C Minor, Op. 13, Kabelevsky's Sonata No. 3, Op. 46.

# **Biography**

Mr. Joshua Feldman, 11 years old, made his debut at both Carnegie Hall and Lincoln Center in the spring of this year. In March, he appeared as a guest in "Meet the Music!", a Chamber Music Society of Lincoln Center production. In April, Joshua has been featured on the National Public Radio program "From the Top" in Boston. In March this year, he was also given a special award for his excellent performance at the Friday Woodmere Music Club's 2001 Young Artist Competition, a competition for talented musicians from age 14-18. He is the second prizewinner in both 1999 and 2000 at the prestigious Bartok-Kabalevsky-Prokofiev International Piano Competition, in addition to the competition's special Levin-Houston Award for Outstanding Musicianship in 1999. Joshua made his television debut as the young Beethoven in the 1998 A&E Biography series, performing music of Mozart and Haydn. In November of 1999 he participated in the "Piano Century" concert series at Juilliard School of Music, performing music of Milhaud.

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After his concerto debut at age 6 performing Haydn's D-major Piano Concerto with the New York String Society, Joshua subsequently performed "Mendelssohn's Capriccio Brilliant for Piano and Orchestra" with the same group. A frequent performer in the New York metropolitan area, Joshua Feldman has performed in a number of charity and benefit concerts such as the benefit concert for the Perlman Music Program in March of this year.

Joshua's academic achievements are impressive as well. In addition to being a top student in his school, Josh was selected to the Gemini program for the gifted children, a program designed to further explore and develop interests of gifted children in the areas of their interest. In addition, recently he has been named a Davidson Young Scholar by the Davidson Institute for Talent Development.

Joshua began piano studies with his mother at age 2. At age 5 Joshua was accepted as the youngest student ever to the Juilliard School of Music Pre- College Division. He has been a recipient of the honorary scholarship every year since. Among his teachers, there are Herbert and Nancy Stessin, Frank Levy, Jeaneane Dowis-Lipman, Dr. Miyoko Lotto and his uncle, the composer Bright Sheng.

Joshua loves to play soccer and ride his bicycle in his spare time. He also likes to collect coins and stamps.

### **Honors/Awards**

- Davidson Fellows Laureate, September, 2001
- Second prize winner of the 1999, 2000 prestigious Bartok-Kabalevsky-Prokofiev International Piano Competition
- 1999 Levin Houston Award for Young Musicians
- 2001 Friday Woodmere Music Club, Young Artist Competition, Special Award

#### **Community Service:**

Joshua frequently performs at nursing homes and hospitals. He also performs benefit concerts for synagogues and churches.