

Davidson Fellow

Kit Armstrong

(\$10,000 Scholarship Recipient)



Personal InfoName: Kit Armstrong

Age: 9

Anaheim, California

School Info

Kit began his first year at Utah State University this fall. He formerly attended Los Alamitos High School in Los Alamitos, California, where he was ranked #1 in his class out of 700 students.

Davidson Fellows Submission Humanities: Music

Kit impressively composed and performed a suite of five movements for the piano, appropriately titled "Five Elements."

Biography

Kit has been studying piano with Dr. Mark Sullivan and theory with Dr. Michael Martin since September of 1997. He has won first place in the 2000 MTAC Concerto Competition, in the open category of Southwestern Youth Music Festival, in Division I of the 1999 Composers Today competition, and at many regional Bach and Mozart festivals.

In March of 2000, the Orange County High School of the Arts Chamber Orchestra premiered Kit's Symphony No. 1 in F Major. Chapman University's Chamber of Music of the 20th Century also premiered Kit's Piano Quartet for the Millennium. Kit's achievements also include his performance of the Bach Concerto in D minor with the Long Beach Bach Festival Orchestra in October of 2000.

While music is Kit's primary interest, he displays a similar level of ability in mathematics and science. He speaks English, Chinese, Taiwanese and Russian.

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College/Career Plans

Kit would like to continue to pursue music and science during college. For his career, he would like to become a composer/concert pianist as well as a scientist, with an emphasis in biology, chemistry and physics.

Honors/Awards

- Davidson Fellow, September, 2001
- John Williams Award, Young Musicians Foundation, 2001
- The Southern California Junior Bach Festival, Regional Honors, 2001
- 2000 MTAC State Concerto Competition, 1st place, 2000
- The Southern California Junior Bach Festival, Regional Honors, 2001
- Long Beach Mozart Festival, 2001
- Southwestern Youth Music Festival, Open Category, 1st place, 1999
- The Southern California Junior Bach Festival, Regional Honors, 1999
- Long Beach Mozart Festival, 1999
- The Southern California Junior Bach Festival, 1998

Piano Performances

- Master Class with Maestro Menahem Pressler, 2001
- Music guest with the Crystal Cathedral Congregation, 2001
- Soloist with Pro Art Symphony Orchestra, 2001
- Soloist with the Long Beach Bach Festival Orchestra, 2000
- Adamant Music School, Vermont, 2000
- Music Teachers' Association of California (MTAC) State Convention, 2000
- Long Beach Mozart Festival Winners Recital, 2000
- Orange County High School of the Arts, 2000
- 20th Century Music Concert, Chapman University, 2000
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- MTAC State Convention, 1999
- 26th Annual Long Beach Bach Festival, 1999
- Orange County High School of the Arts, 1999
- Long Beach Mozart Festival Winners Recital, 1999
- Chapman University, 1998