



2025 Award Winners



Avista Scholarship Competition

Winner

Nathan Caranto, tenor saxophone from Century High School in Hillsboro, OR

Olivia Niles, voice from Lake City High School in Coeur d'Alene, ID

Runner Up

Sean Andaya, drums from Las Vegas Academy of the Arts in Las Vegas, NV

Sierra Sedgwick, voice from Lewiston High School in Lewiston, ID

LHJF Sweepstakes Competition

Senior Vocal Winner

Caldera Inversion from Caldera High School in Bend, OR

Senior Instrumental Winner

LVA Jazz Band from Las Vegas Academy of the Arts in Las Vegas, NV

Junior Winner

Northwood Jazz Band I from Northwood Middle School in Spokane, WA

College Instrumental & Vocal Winners

Instrumental Large Ensemble

Winner

Whitworth Jazz Orchestra from Whitworth University in Spokane, WA

Runner Up

Jazz Ensemble from Shoreline Community College in Seattle, WA

Instrumental Combo

Winner

Somethin' Else Jazz Combo from Whitworth University in Spokane, WA

Runner Up

Head Hunters Jazz Combo from Whitworth University in Spokane, WA

Instrumental Solo

Winner

Alex Aguilar from University of Idaho in Moscow, ID

Runner Up

Max Bartron from Whitworth University in Spokane, WA

Max Cannon from Whitworth University in Spokane, WA

Vocal Solo

Winner

Bailey Maya from University of Idaho in Moscow, ID

Elementary Instrumental & Vocal Winners

Vocal Large Ensemble

Winner

Special Chorus from Skyway Elementary in Coeur d'Alene, ID

Runner Up

Grizzly Choir from Grantham Elementary School in Clarkston, WA

Junior Instrumental & Vocal Winners

Instrumental Large Ensemble

Winner

Jazz Band from Garrison Middle School in Walla Walla, WA

Northwood Jazz Band I from Northwood Middle School in Spokane, WA

Runner Up

Franklin Jazz Band from Franklin Middle School in Yakima, WA

Jazz Band from Hamilton Middle School in Seattle, WA

Instrumental Combo

Winner

Combo 3 from Hamilton Middle School in Seattle, WA

Runner Up

Combo 1 from Hamilton Middle School in Seattle, WA

Instrumental Solo

Winner

Amelia Foy from Sandstone Middle School in Hermiston, OR

Runner Up

Felix Faxon from Fairview Middle School in Bremerton, WA

Vocal Large Ensemble

Winner

Vocal Jazz from Hamilton Middle School in Seattle, WA

Runner Up

All Saints Choir from All Saints Catholic School in Lewiston, ID

Vocal Solo

Winner

Paolo Moreni from Hamilton Middle School in Seattle, WA

Runner Up

Gracie Hendrickson from Sandstone Middle School in Hermiston, OR

Senior Instrumental Winners

DIVISION I

Instrumental Large Ensemble

Winner

- Jazz 1 from A.C. Davis High School in Yakima, WA
- One o'clock Jazz Band from Century High School in Hillsboro, OR
- Jazz Band II from Lake City High School in Coeur d'Alene, ID
- Jazz Band from Las Vegas Academy of the Arts in Las Vegas, NV
- Jazz 11 from Semiahmoo Secondary School in Surrey, BC

Runner Up

- Jazz Ensemble II from Edmonds Woodway High School in Edmonds, WA
- Interlake Jazz Ensemble from Interlake High School in Bellevue, WA
- Jazz Ensemble I from Lewis & Clark High School in Spokane, WA
- Jazz Band III from Lewiston High School in Lewiston, ID
- Jazz Orchestra from Ridgeline High School in Liberty Lake, WA

Instrumental Combo

Winner

- Combo Prime from Las Vegas Academy of the Arts in Las Vegas, NV
- Combo Odd from Las Vegas Academy of the Arts in Las Vegas, NV
- Leading tones from Semiahmoo Secondary School in Surrey, BC

Runner Up

- Warrior Combo from Edmonds Woodway High School in Edmonds, WA
- Melodious Funk from Semiahmoo Secondary School in Surrey, BC
- Sherwood Crimson Jazz Combo from Sherwood High School in Sherwood, OR

Instrumental Solo

Winner

- Nathan Caranto, tenor saxophone from Century High School in Hillsboro, OR
- Oren Kaushanksy, piano from Edmonds Woodway High School in Edmonds, WA
- Liam Ko, trombone from Interlake High School in Bellevue, WA

Runner Up

- Leo Nakamura, trombone from Edmonds Woodway High School in Edmonds, WA
- Skyy Estanislao, tenor sax from Las Vegas Academy of the Arts in Las Vegas, NV
- Sean Andaya, drums from Las Vegas Academy of the Arts in Las Vegas, NV

Senior Instrumental Winners (cont'd)

DIVISION II

Instrumental Large Ensemble

Winner

Jazz Band I from Decatur High School in Federal Way, WA

Jazz Band II from Decatur High School in Federal Way, WA

Runner Up

Jazz Band from Port Angeles High School in Port Angeles, WA

Jazz Band from Pullman High School in Pullman, WA

Instrumental Combo

Winner

Cold Fusion Combo from Pullman High School in Pullman, WA

Runner Up

Upbeat Combo from Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy in Coeur d'Alene, ID

DIVISION III

Instrumental Large Ensemble

Winner

Jazz Ensemble from Bigfork High School in Bigfork, MT

Colfax Jazz Band from Colfax High School in Colfax, WA

Runner Up

Jazz Band I from Florence-Carlton High School in Florence, MT

Sr. Jazz Band from Wellington Secondary School in Nanaimo, BC

Instrumental Combo

Winner

Grade 12 Jazz Combo from Wellington Secondary School in Nanaimo, BC

Grade 9/10 Jazz Combo I from Wellington Secondary School in Nanaimo, BC

Runner Up

Grade 11/12 Jazz Combo from Wellington Secondary School in Nanaimo, BC

Slide by Slide Grade 9/10 Trombone Quintet from Wellington Secondary School in Nanaimo, BC

Instrumental Solo

Winner

Emmalee Armour, bari saxophone from Wellington Secondary School in Nanaimo, BC

Garret Tomkins, drums from Wellington Secondary School in Nanaimo, BC

Sophia Luvisotto Baird, trombone from Wellington Secondary School in Nanaimo, BC

Runner Up

Jack Keltie, trumpet from Wellington Secondary School in Nanaimo, BC



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HAMPTON
JAZZ
FESTIVAL**

Senior Vocal Winners

DIVISION I

Vocal Large Ensemble

Winner

Caldera Inversion from Caldera High School in Bend, OR
Gold Voices from Lewiston High School in Lewiston, ID
Jazz Choir from Lewiston High School in Lewiston, ID

Runner Up

Gold Standard Vocal Ensemble from Bismarck Legacy High School in Bismarck, ND
Viking Jazz Choir from Coeur d'Alene Senior High School in Coeur d'Alene, ID

Vocal Solo

Winner

Olivia Niles from Lake City High School in Coeur d'Alene, ID

Runner Up

Sierra Sedgwick from Lewiston High School in Lewiston, ID

DIVISION II

Vocal Large Ensemble

Winner

Jazz Choir from Clarkston High School in Clarkston, WA
Chamber Choir from Sandpoint High School in Sandpoint, ID

Runner Up

Cashmere Vocal Jazz from Cashmere High School in Cashmere, WA
Concert Choir from Sandpoint High School in Sandpoint, ID

DIVISION III

Vocal Large Ensemble

Winner

Jazz Choir from Kellogg High School in Kellogg, ID

Vocal Combo

Winner

Chamber Choir from Saint George's School in Spokane, WA

Vocal Solo

Winner

Annabelle Bentley from Wellington Secondary School in Nanaimo, BC

Runner Up

Molly Racz from Wellington Secondary School in Nanaimo, BC