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Midwest Young Artists' Trio Coterie Wins Silver Medal at 2009 Fischhoff National Chamber Competition

HIGHWOOD, Ill. – Midwest Young Artists' Trio Coterie (**Brian Chang**, piano; **Kevin Hu**, violin; **Stanley Moore**, cello) won the Silver Medal in the Junior Division of the 2009 Fischhoff National Chamber Competition on Sunday.

A total of 60 ensembles entered the the Junior Division of the 2009 Fischhoff National Chamber Competition, which took place May 8-10 at the DeBartalo Performing Arts Center at the University of Notre Dame. It is the world's largest chamber music competition, and the only one with both Junior and Senior Divisions. Of the 60 entries, 24 participated in the quarter-final round on Friday.

Trio Coterie performed Ravel's *Piano Trio in A minor, II. Pantoum-Assez vif*, Brahms' *Piano Trio in C Major, Op. 87, II. Andante con moto*, and Mendelssohn's *Piano Trio in C minor, Op. 66, I. Allegro energico e con fuoco*.

The Trio advanced from the Junior Quarterfinals on Friday, to the Junior Semifinals on Saturday and the Junior Division Final on Sunday.

Brian Chang, Naperville, is in 12th grade at Illinois Mathematics and Science Academy. He studies with Jim Giles (who has coached this group, along with Allan Dennis). He is the son of Tammy Shoau and James Chang.

Kevin Hu, Naperville, is in 10th grade at Naperville Central High School and studies with Cyrus Forough. He is the son of Lily and Zack Hu.

Stanley Moore, Elgin, is in 12th grade at Elgin High School and studies with Hans Jensen. His parents are Elizabeth and Larry Moore.

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Midwest Young Artists is one of the leading youth music ensemble programs in the Midwest and represents some of the best young musicians in the country. The program offers exceptional training in jazz, choral, chamber and orchestral instruction. Midwest Young Artists was founded in 1993. MYA currently reaches more than 600 students from 74 communities in the metropolitan Chicago area, with students ranging in age from 2nd through 12th grades. MYA has five youth orchestras, more than 60 chamber music ensembles, three choral groups, an all-inclusive jazz program, and classes in music theory and history. Students have the opportunity to travel abroad and to perform in major venues throughout Chicago and around the world. Leading the nation in chamber music instruction, MYA graduates are accepted at the most selective conservatories, universities and colleges in the country.

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