

## Concert showcases best of 2019 Kelowna Kiwanis Festival

May 27, 2019

West Kelowna's Evelyn Krieger, 22, was a high achiever at the 2019 Kelowna Kiwanis Festival, which just completed its 93<sup>rd</sup> year helping Okanagan amateurs perform, learn and grow. She received top honours in the senior piano category, a \$200 scholarship, a nomination to the provincial competition, and a performance spot in the Festival's Gala Concert. The concert is at 7 p.m. this Friday, May 31<sup>st</sup>, at Kelowna's Rotary Centre for the Arts. Everyone is welcome.

Krieger is receiving one of nearly 60 cash scholarships (see attached backgrounder) totaling almost \$7,000 to be presented at this Friday's Gala Concert. The 30 top festival participants who will represent Kelowna at provincials also received assistance with entry fees bringing the total amount that the 2019 Kelowna Kiwanis Festival invested in local talent to more than \$10,000.

This is Krieger's second appearance at Kelowna's Kiwanis Festival, and she's performed at similar festivals at least seven other times. She's especially honoured to receive the \$200 Jaromey Ryane Memorial Scholarship for most evocative performance of a dance movement or piece. "I always try to express all the emotions of the piece onto the keys and to the audience," she said. "For me, every piece has a storyline and colour that I want to convey." The scholarship is donated by Susan Adams and Clive Titmuss of Kelowna's Early Music Studio in memory of Susan's beloved Ottawa piano teacher Jaromey Ryane.

Krieger has been playing piano ever since she can remember, plunking away after watching her two older siblings practise. Her Kelowna piano teacher, Joseph Berarducci, says the Kelowna Kiwanis Festival provides an important venue for nurturing, challenging and developing individuals engaged in artistic expression like Evelyn. "Each participant is looking forward to comments from competent adjudicators, sufficient time to be heard and evaluated, and an inspiring venue to perform in. Kelowna's Kiwanis Festival delivers those opportunities," he said.

The 2019 Festival featured competitions in dance, music and voice from March 3 until April 26, and saw more than 3,000 performers cross its stages. To enjoy the Gala Concert celebrating the Festival's best amateur performers, book your tickets online at the [RotaryCentrefortheArts.com](http://RotaryCentrefortheArts.com) or order them by phone at 250.717.5304. Tickets cost \$20 for adults and \$5 for youth 17 and under.

The Kiwanis Festival, which is in its 93<sup>rd</sup> year, was founded as the Okanagan Valley Music Festival in 1926, as a one-day event. It became a tri-city event in 1936 with Kelowna, Penticton and Vernon taking turns hosting. The Kiwanis Club of Kelowna became the festival's main sponsor in 1980, changing the name to the Kelowna Kiwanis Festival and making Kelowna its permanent home in 1981.

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### Festival Results

Click [here](#) for complete festival results in the following categories: **Dance** (ballet, modern, stage), **Music** (brass and woodwinds, concert band, piano, strings and chamber/orchestra), and **Voice** (choral, classical, musical theatre, popular, speech and dramatic arts).



*Evelyn Krieger, a high achiever at the 2019 Kelowna Kiwanis Festival, will perform at the Gala Concert on May 31. She will also represent Kelowna at provincial competitions in Chilliwack this week.*





## 2019 Performing Arts BC Kelowna Kiwanis Provincial Nominees

All performers marked with an *asterisk*  
will attend Provincials as part of TEAM KELOWNA  
in Chilliwack on **Sun, May 26 - Thur, May 30**

All performers typed in red will be performing at the  
Kelowna Kiwanis Festival Gala  
**Friday, May 31**

### **DANCE**

#### Ballet

Junior:	<b>Owen Kincade*</b>	Penticton
Intermediate:	<b>Hannah Smuland*</b>	Grand Forks
Senior:	<b>Hannah Zobel</b>	Kelowna

#### Modern

Intermediate:	<b>Emily Nguyen*</b>	Penticton
Senior	<b>Sophia McNolty*</b>	Kaleden

#### Stage

Junior:	<b>Eva Attwood*</b>	Vernon
Intermediate:	<b>Tiernen O'Keefe*</b>	Vernon
	<b>Lauren Fidanza*</b>	Kamloops
Senior:	<b>Grace Grant*</b>	Penticton
	<b>Nicola Hopley*</b>	Penticton

### **VOICE**

#### Choral

Community Choir (12 & under):	<b>Okanagan Children's Choir*</b>	Kelowna
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#### Speech Arts

Junior:	<b>Hayden Anthony*</b>	Penticton
Intermediate:	<b>Hailey Lewis*</b>	West Kelowna

#### Classical Voice

Junior:	<b>Elizabeth Penner*</b>	Kelowna
Intermediate:	<b>Anika Louw*</b>	Kelowna
Senior:	<b>Jax Dolman</b>	Vernon

Musical Theatre

Junior:	<b>Lily Nieminen*</b>	Kelowna
Intermediate:	<b>Juliana Snee*</b>	Merritt
Senior:	<b>Jax Dolman</b>	Vernon

**MUSIC**

Strings

Junior A:	<b>Nolan MacFarlane*</b>	Kelowna
	<b>Lenna Barbaza*</b>	Kelowna
Junior B:	<b>Adam Kunyk</b>	Enderby
Intermediate:	<b>Elise Wiesinger</b>	Penticton
Senior:	<b>Emily Baker*</b>	Lake Country
National	<b>Angela Zeng* (National)</b>	<b>Coldstream</b>

Chamber

Junior:	<b>Nota Bella*</b>	Kelowna
Intermediate:	<b>Appassionata Quintet*</b>	Enderby / Lake Country
	<b>Honkitonks Quartet*</b>	<b>Lake Country</b>

Piano

Junior A:	<b>Victoria Statsenko*</b>	Kelowna
	<b>Mihai Covaser*</b>	West Kelowna
Junior B:	<b>Adam Kunyk</b>	Enderby
	<b>Vivian Schmeackle*</b>	Kelowna
Intermediate:	<b>Henry Baker*</b>	Lake Country
	<b>Michael Zhao*</b>	Kelowna
Senior:	<b>Evelyn Krieger*</b>	<b>West Kelowna</b>
	<b>Wenda Zhu*</b>	Kelowna



## Kelowna Kiwanis Festival 2019 Scholarships

Fifty-eight scholarships, totalling to \$6,900  
will be handed out at the Kelowna Kiwanis Festival Gala  
and Awards Ceremony on Friday, May 31.

### **DANCE**

#### Ballet

Best Junior/Primary (\$100)  
Best Intermediate (\$100)  
Best Senior (\$100)  
Shining Star Ballet (\$100)

**Olivia Donley**  
**Lauren Fidanza**  
**Hannah Zobel**  
**Sage Kirk**

Kelowna  
Kamloops  
Kelowna  
Kelowna

#### Modern

Best Junior/Primary (\$100)  
Best Intermediate (\$100)  
Best Senior (\$100)  
Shining Star Modern (\$100)

**Avery Gamet**  
**Arianna Lasinski**  
**Sophia McNolty**  
**Aliya Clark**

Kelowna  
Penticton  
Kaladen  
Kamloops

#### Stage

Best Junior/Primary (\$100)  
Best Intermediate (\$100)  
Best Senior (\$100)  
Shining Star Stage (\$100)

**Gene Hayer**  
**Lauren Keilty**  
**Nicola Hopley**  
**Tiernen O'Keefe**

West Kelowna  
Summerland  
Penticton  
Vernon

### **VOICE**

#### Choir

Best High School (\$300)  
  
Best Middle School (\$100)  
Shining Star Community (\$100)

**Kelowna Secondary**  
**School Mixed & Treble**  
**Glenrosa Middle School**  
**Okanagan Children's**  
**Choir**

Kelowna  
West Kelowna  
Kelowna

#### Speech & Dramatic Arts

Best Primary/Junior (\$100)  
Best Intermediate/Senior (\$100)

**Daniel Penner**  
**Hailey Lewis**

Kelowna  
West Kelowna

#### Classical Voice

Best Junior (\$100 - split)  
  
Best Intermediate (\$100 - split)  
  
Best Senior/Open (\$100)

**Sofie Steinruck**  
**Flora Wilson**  
**Anika Louw**  
**Rishali Vincent**  
**Alexis Watson**

Kelowna  
Kelowna  
Kelowna  
Vernon  
Lake Country

### Musical Theatre

Best Junior (\$100)  
Best Intermediate (\$100)  
Best Senior/Open (\$100)  
Shining Star Musical Theatre  
(Value \$425.00): ½ Scholarship Arts Club

**Caden Hergott**  
**Cara Shaw**  
**Jax Dolman**  
**Kiara Louw**

West Kelowna  
Kelowna  
Vernon  
Penticton

### Popular Voice

Best Junior (\$100)  
Best Intermediate (\$100)  
Best Senior/Open (\$100)  
Shining Star Popular Voice  
(Value \$450) Tuition Scholarship  
Canadian College of Performing Arts

**Scott Berg**  
**Ethan-Hatley-Webster**  
**Karim Ghossein**  
**Hailey Lewis**

**Kelowna**  
West Kelowna  
Kelowna  
West Kelowna

## **MUSIC**

### Strings

Best Level 1 (\$75)  
Best Level 2 (\$75)  
Best Level 3 (\$75)  
Best Level 4 (\$75)  
Best Level 5 (\$75)  
Best Level 6 (\$75)  
Best Level 7 (\$75)  
Best Level 8 (\$75)  
Best Level 9 (\$75)  
Best Level 10 (\$75)  
Shining Star Junior/Intermediate  
(\$100)  
Shining Star Senior (Levels 8 - 10)  
(\$150)

**Kevin Cao**  
**Akasha McCleary**  
**Ben Hrabchuk**  
**Claire Weathermon**  
**Autumn Sunderland**  
**Sabine Teo**  
**Lenna Barbaza**  
**Victoria Statsenko**  
**Adam Kunyk**  
**Elise Wiesinger**

Kelowna  
Enderby  
Vernon  
Coldstream  
Vernon  
Penticton  
Kelowna  
Kelowna  
Enderby  
Penticton

**Autumn Sunderland**

**Vernon**

**Elise Wiesinger**

Penticton

### Chamber Group

Shining Star Junior (\$250)  
Shining Star Intermediate (\$400)

**Nota Bella**  
**Apassionata**

Kelowna  
Enderby  
/Lake Country

### Piano

Best Primary (\$75)  
Best Level 1 (\$75)  
Best Level 2 (\$75)  
Best Level 3 (\$75)  
Best Level 4 (\$75)  
Best Level 5 (\$75)  
Best Level 6 (\$75)  
Best Level 7 (\$75)

**Maliya Moir**  
**Jack Huang**  
**Antonina Hallonquist**  
**Margaux Katsabanis**  
**Olivia Ma**  
**Claire Pasenau**  
**Robert McBain**  
**Victoria Statsenko**

Kelowna  
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Kelowna  
**Kamloops**  
Kelowna  
Kamloops  
Kelowna

Piano (continued)

Best Level 8 (\$75)

Best Level 9 (\$75)

Shining Star Junior / Intermediate  
(\$150)

Best Level 10 (\$100)

Best ARCT (\$150)

Most Stylish & Sensitive Performance  
of a Work Written Before 1750 (\$200)

Jaromey Ryane Memorial Scholarship:

Most Evocative Performance of a  
Dance Movement or Piece (\$200)

**Mihai Covaser**  
**Rebeka Beganova**

**Olivia Ma**  
**Henry Baker**  
**Julia Crowther**

**Julia Crowther**

**Evelyn Krieger**

West Kelowna  
Vernon

**Kamloops**  
Lake Country  
Penticton

Penticton

**West Kelowna**

**Brass/Woodwinds**

Shining Star Junior/Intermediate  
(\$100)

**Ben Ryder**

Kelowna