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OYO Alumni News



We recently had the treat of seeing and hearing Oakland's **Elizabeth "Betsy" Morgan**, OYO 1996-97, during her senior year at Juilliard, in the PBS documentary, *Mastering the arts at Juilliard*. Betsy will receive a master's degree in piano from Juilliard this spring. She plans to present a concert on March 16 in Berkeley, piano works for 4 hands (only two of them her own). Not to be missed!

Lawrence Granger, OYO 1966-1969, and a member of the San Francisco Symphony since 1979, recently coached the OYO cello section and heard seating auditions with Milly Rosner. He loved being back at OYO and has volunteered to coach once each concert session. Thank you, Larry!

Gabrielle Athayde, OYO 1995-97, (and daughter of Julie Meirstin Athayde, OYO 1966-67), a winner of the Oakland East Bay Symphony's Young Artist Competition, performed with the orchestra at their January 24 concert. Octavio Roca wrote in the *SF Chronicle*, "Gabrielle



Athayde, an extraordinary 17-year-old cellist with precocious authority and innate charm, gave a stirring reading of the Saint-Saens *Cello Concerto No. 1 in A Minor*. Her rich tone, wild dynamic control and free vibrato were far from the Franco-Belgian style once favored in this piece, but Athayde's impish wit was Gallic enough and her sometimes reckless phrasing was thrilling."



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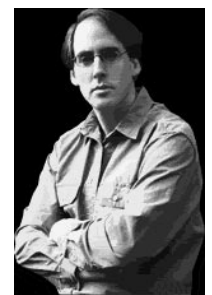
In a very strong field, Anna-Louise Burdett was chosen this year's winner of the OYO Concerto Competition,



by distinguished judges Bonnie Hampton, William Wohlmacher, and Roy Bogas. She will perform the first movement of the von Weber, *Clarinet Concerto No. 1* at our Spring concert on May 18 at the Dean Leshner Center in Walnut Creek.

OYO Pops Concert & Auction March 9, 2003

Composer Jeff Beal, OYO trumpet 1979-81, just sent us autographed CDs of the soundtrack to the film *Pollack*, for which he was composer. Get ready to make your bid!



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OYO Members

The 81 current members of OYO range in age from 12 to 21. The average age is 16.0.

52% come from Alameda County; 39% from Contra Costa; 5% from San Francisco; 3% from Marin; 1% from Solano. 10 are from Oakland.

We are 57% female; 43% male.

We all play music.

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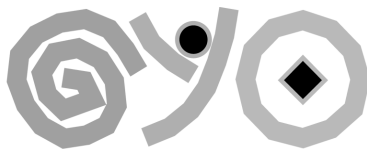
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The Crowden School
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Spring Concert

Sunday, May 18, 2003, 2 pm
Subscription Concert #3 \$12/\$8

Dean Leshner Center's Hofmann Theatre
1601 Civic Drive, Walnut Creek

Program

Carl Maria von Weber *Concerto for Clarinet No. 1*
Anna-Louise Burdett, clarinet
Carl Maria von Weber *Der Freischuetz Overture*
Cesar Franck *Symphony in D minor*

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