

For Immediate Release

A Doubleheader Of Young Classical Performers In Kalamazoo

(269) 343-2776

stulbergcomp@yahoo.com

www.stulberg.org

KALAMAZOO, MI — Two 2015 Stulberg International String Competition medal winners will take the stage in Kalamazoo on Friday, February 19 and Sunday, February 21. Though the two concerts are separate events, both offer feature performances by prize-winners from this past May.

On **Friday, February 19**, gold medalist Yaegy Park will join the Kalamazoo Symphony Orchestra to play Prokofiev's Violin Concerto No. 1 in D Major. The concert takes place at **8 p.m. in Miller Auditorium at Western Michigan University**. Tickets are \$12 to \$60. More information is available at www.kalamazoosymphony.com.

Two days later, on **Sunday, February 21**, bronze medalist Hae Sue Lee presents Walton's Viola Concerto with the Kalamazoo Junior Symphony Orchestra at **4 p.m. in Kalamazoo's Chenery Auditorium**. Tickets for this performance are \$5 to \$15. More information is available at www.kjso.org.

The two performances make up a rare "doubleheader" for the Stulberg Competition. Part of the reward for earning a medal at the annual competition is the opportunity to be the featured player in alongside west Michigan symphonies. Schedules between orchestras aligned this year, leading to an entire weekend of young musicians, said Stulberg Executive Director Margaret Hamilton.

More than 2,500 young string musicians between the ages of 11 and 19 have participated in the Stulberg International String Competition, which marked its 40th anniversary in 2015. The Stulberg has attracted world-renowned musicians to Kalamazoo to serve as judges and instructors in master classes exclusively for the competitors. The Competition was established in 1975 in honor of former WMU faculty and long-time conductor of the Kalamazoo Junior Symphony, Julius Stulberg.

For more information, contact the Stulberg International String Competition at (269) 343-2776, stulbergcomp@yahoo.com, or www.stulberg.org.