Friday, April 5, 2024, 12:10_{PM} First Unitarian Sanctuary, 160 N. Third St, San Jose

A Musical Roller Coaster Ride pianist Tristen Chen

Frederick Chopin Etude, Op. 10, No.8 Frederick Chopin Etude, Op. 25, No.6

Ludwig van Beethoven Piano Sonata No.4 in E flat major, Op. 7

Frederick Chopin Scherzo No.1 in b minor, Op. 20

Tristen Chen, 15, began piano studies at the age of five. Currently Tristen attends Santa Teresa High School, Chamber Music at California Music Preparatory Academy, and San Francisco Music Conservatory Pre-College, majoring in piano under Sandra Wright Shen.

Tristen received numerous top prizes from competitions in the past including 1st prizes at US Open Music Competition in solo and duo in 2022 & 2023; 1st prize at USIMC for Young Artist Award and Chinese Music Award in 2018; 1st place and best performer of US New Star Etude Competition. Tristen was selected twice as the outstanding performer of Junior Bach Festival in 2019 and 2022. He was also selected to play at NPR's From the Top program. He was invited to perform at the Carnegie Hall in 2018; open ceremony of Annual Sonoma International Film Festival in 2018 and 2019.

Tristen participated in chamber music workshops, John Perry Summer Piano Academy, and MasterWorks Music Festival from 2021-2023. He performed in masterclasses for John Perry, Slava Gryaznov, Melinda Lee Masur, Xun Pan, Siheng Song, Lishan Hung and Heidi Williams.

Tristen enjoys composing and singing. He is a wonderful host for piano parties, mixing music from classical to popular music.