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Chamber Musicians Selected for Regional Competition

Two chamber music ensembles from South High School have been selected to perform at the Long Island Regional High School Chamber Music Competition of the 2017 Chamber Music Society of Lincoln Center "Young Musicians Program." The LI Regional Competition is a new component this year to the Young Musicians Program. After receiving one professional coaching session by artists of the Chamber Music Society, Chamber Music Society Two, or guests, the selected ensembles will perform at Tilles Center on Jan. 31. At the conclusion of the concert, Lincoln Center will determine the winners of the Regional Competition who will then perform at Lincoln Center's Alice Tully Hall.

One South High chamber ensemble consists of - Joshua Lee (cello), Soyoung Park (piano), and Christine Suh (violin). They will perform Felix Mendelssohn's Piano Trio No. 2 in C minor Op. 66, *allegro energico con fuoco*.

The second ensemble members are - Jeremy Chen (oboe), Samuel Levine (flute), Michelle Xing (bassoon), and Eric Yang (clarinet). They will perform *Trois pieces pour une musique de nuit*, by Eugene Bozza.

These two ensembles are among the eight selected from Long Island. Entries were received from 21 ensembles, from seven high schools. South High's chamber music program is coordinated by Michael Schwartz (performing arts department head) and Dr. Pamela Levy. Mr. Schwartz said, "We recognize the important contributions of all of our music teachers in laying the musical foundation and growth throughout the elementary and middle school years. Our student's success is a direct result of the collective efforts on behalf of our music students." The Young Musicians Program began in 1998. South High ensembles have been selected to perform every year since then, except for two.