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Press Release

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Fishers, Indiana — The Fishers Chamber Players proudly announce the formation of the Jongsun Lim Junior Division Young Artist Award, and will be accepting preliminary applications in September 2007. The award has been made possible by a generous gift from Dr. Bomie Han. Han's daughter, Sunhee Han, was named as the competition's junior division winner in the organization's first annual Young Artist Competition in November 2006. At that time, a cash prize was only offered for the senior division winner, and was not offered for the junior division winner. Both division winners received the opportunity to solo with the Fishers Chamber Players. Recognizing the need for a cash prize for future junior division winners, Han generously donated \$1000, which has been matched by Eli Lilly Foundation. The donations have been used to create an endowment which will permanently fund the Jongsun Lim Junior Division Young Artist Award.

The award is named in honor of Han's wife, concert pianist and educator Jongsun Lim. Having received both a bachelor's and master's degree in Piano Performance from the Julliard School, Lim also pursued a doctorate at Boston University before motherhood interrupted her studies. A scholarship recipient at both schools, Lim has an impressive listing of international awards and recitals to her name. She was Grand Prize winner of the Jung Ang Competition in New York, NY; 1st Place winner of the Brazil Herald Competition, in Sao Paulo, Brazil; and 1st Place winner of The National Teenagers Competition, in Seoul, Korea. She has performed solo recitals in the National Theatre in Seoul, South Korea, and at the Lincoln Center in New York, NY, as well as many other locations throughout the world. Currently the organist and pianist at the Korean Presbyterian Church of Indianapolis, Lim is an accomplished accompanist, chamber musician, piano instructor, and soloist.

The preliminary round of the Fishers Chamber Players second annual Young Artist Competition will take place in September. Open to students in grades K-12 who reside in the state of Indiana, recordings and applications must be postmarked by September 29, 2007. Finalists will be notified by mail, and will perform in a live final round on October 20, 2007. At that time, a panel of judges will select a Junior Division and Senior Division winner. The 1st Prize winner in the Junior and Senior division will be awarded a cash prize, and have an opportunity to perform with the orchestra on March 30, 2008. Please note that the concert date has been changed from what was originally announced on the organization's website. In addition, the judges will select a winner from each division for Best Performance by a Fishers Resident. To be eligible, the entrant must

have a Fishers 46038 or Fishers 46037 home address, or live in the Hamilton Southeastern school district. The Best Performance by a Fishers Resident prize does not include a cash award or performance opportunity, but the winners will be honored and presented with a certificate at the March 30, 2008 concert.

For detailed information and to download an application, please visit the Fishers Chamber Players' website: www.FishersMusic.org. For more information regarding this press release, please contact Nana Gaskins Vaughn, Executive Director, at 317.598.1755 or email nana@FishersMusic.Org.