

Gloria Ferry-Brennan, Third Prize Violin

2012 Johansen International Competition for Young String Players

At the age of 15, **Gloria Ferry-Brennan** won **Third Prize Violin** and \$5,000 at the **2012 Johansen International Competition (JIC) for Young String Players** in Washington, DC. As part of her awards, she will perform as violin soloist with the FMMC Avanti Orchestra in Washington, DC in April 2013.

Ms. Ferry-Brennan began playing violin at the age of 4. She is currently a student of Simon James and accompanist Hiro David of the Coleman Violin Studio. Her recent summer studies have included the Brian Lewis Young Artist Program in Kansas, as well as the Aspen Music Festival where she studies with Paul Kantor. She is a member of the Seattle Youth Symphony and Whidbey Island's Saratoga Chamber Orchestras.

Ms. Ferry-Brennan has performed as a soloist with the Seattle Symphony Orchestra, the Saratoga Chamber Orchestra, the Ottawa Chamber Orchestra, the Seattle Festival Orchestra and the Sammamish Symphony Orchestra as well as the Seattle and the Everett Youth Symphony Orchestras.

In 2011, she was the national winner of the



Music Teachers National Association Junior Strings Competition. She recently appeared on NPR's "From the Top."