

Biography of Toby Tan Kai Rong, 9 years old

Toby started to develop his interest in music through YouTube at 3 and has been self-playing piano, improvising and composing since. He won his 1st 2 compositions “The Journey” and “Sorrow Of Love” at the Singapore Junior Original Concert in 2015 & 2016, won Gold in the Asia Arts Festival 2015 and 1st Place at the American Protégé International Music Talent Spring Competition 2017.

Toby started to learn classical piano at 7. He was selected by the renowned film composer Mr Ricky Ho to perform the movie theme song “The Serenade of 7 Letters” at the Capitol Theatre for the Gala Premiere Screening in celebration of Singapore’s Golden Jubilee.

His recent achievements include 1st Prize and Category Winner for the “eMuse” Online Music Competition 2017, 1st Prize and Exceptional Young Musician Award for the ‘Salzburg’ Grand Prize Virtuoso 2017, 2nd Prize for the Bradshaw and Buono International Competition 2017. His most memorable overseas performances are the Gyzi Megaron Festival in Santorini, Greece and the New York Carnegie Hall in 2017.

In January 2018, Toby has performed at the Esplanade for The Inspiring Trio “Moving Hands, Overflowing Hearts”, a fund-raising concert in support of The Business Times Budding Artists Fund organised by Musique Loft. He composed a piece of Piano Trio “Magical Musical Box” for the finale.

His dream is to be a musician, a composer and a performer who can inspire, reach out and connect people around the world with his music.