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**Adrian Soares** recently completed his piano studies at UWA with First Class Honours, under the tutelage of Graeme Gilling. While at UWA, Adrian was a recipient of the VOSE Memorial Concerto Prize and Flora Bunning Chamber Music Prize. He currently works as both piano teacher and accompanist for Iona Presentation College and Mercedes College, whilst also working as a freelance performer and accompanist in Perth.

**Lisa Yang** is currently studying medicine at UWA and is completing her undergraduate degree in medical sciences. She continues her piano and music studies with Yoon Sen Lee.

**Vevina Yang** is 14 years old and is currently a music scholarship student at All Saints' College. She has been playing the piano for 10 years and is a student of Yoon Sen Lee. Vevina has won many piano competitions and obtained her A.Mus.A and ATCL diplomas in 2018.

**Noelle Zhao** is a graduate of WAAPA, where she studied with Anna Sleptsova. She has won numerous prizes including the Warana Concerto Competition and Fremantle Eisteddfod Concerto Competition. Noelle enjoys performing solo and ensemble works, as well as exploring various paths within the music industry.