Inland Northwest Musicians present concert March 12

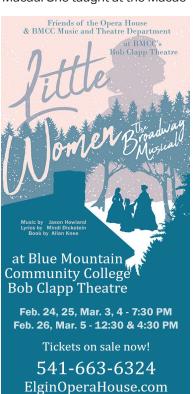
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■ ERMISTON — The Inland Northwest Musicians will present a concert Saturday, March 12, 4 p.m. at the Hermiston Community Center, 415 S. Highway 395.

There is no admission charge; donations are accepted.

The concert features two pieces by Ludwig Van Beethoven: Symphony No. 1 and Piano Concerto No. 1. Guest pianist will be Harriet Wong, who will perform on the newly repaired and refinished 9-foot Chickering grand piano.

Wong is currently pursuing a doctoral of musical arts degree at the University of Washington, studying with Dr. Robin McCabe. Prior to her arrival in Seattle, she performed as a pianist, conductor and accompanist in Macau. She taught at the Macao





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Harriet Wong is the guest pianist at the Inland Northwest Musicians concert March 12 in Hermiston.

Conservatory and Macau Youth Symphony Orchestra Association and has performed with the Macau Piano Association and Macau Strings Association. Born in Macau, she received the highest honor of the "Cultural Affairs Bureau Prize" in the 20th Macau Youth Music Competition.

INLAND NORTHWEST MUSICIANS CONCERT

Saturday, March 12

4 p.m.

Hermiston Community

415 S. Highway 395 Free

Wong received her bachelor's and master's from the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, under Dr. William Heiles. During that time she won first prize in the Clara Rolland Piano Competition and the award as the most outstanding student of the music school in her senior year. She also studied organ and harpsichord.

HISTORY OF THE CHICKERING PIANO

The piano was acquired in the



late 1970s or early 1980s for the **Hermiston Community Concert** Association, thanks to a drive that raised about \$8,000.

The instrument was located in the old Armand Larive Junior High School Auditorium for eight to 10 years and used for concerts and recitals by artists and local students. The piano was then moved to the Hermiston Community Center, then to Hermiston High School Auditorium when ownership transferred to the Hermiston School District with the agreement that it would be maintained for performances and be available for recitals and community concerts.

In August 2021, the piano was

donated to the Inland Northwest Musicians and is back at the Hermiston Community Center.

RAFFLE

The INWM is raffling "The Beethoven Quilt," which was made by Mama Bear's Quilt Shop in Stanfield. The guilt was originally to be auctioned at the 2020 dinner auction fundraiser, but that was cancelled. The quilt will be on display, and tickets sold, at the March 12 concert. The winning ticket will be drawn at the 2022 dinner auction.

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