Freshman cellist and pianist Amanda Sun shares her talent and passion for music

## HOW AND WHY DID YOU START PLAYING CELLO?

I've been playing since I was eight. I picked it up after [I saw] a Yo-Yo Ma concert where I got really inspired. I remember he played a concerto and the Bach suites, which was really inspiring to hear played live, and it really made me want to learn cello.

## WHAT MOTIVATES YOU TO CONTINUE PLAYING THE CELLO AND PIANO?

As a pretty competitive person, I like having something to work towards, whether it's winning a competition or becoming a higher chair, it's very fun for me.

## WHAT MAKES PLAYING PIANO DIFFERENT FROM CELLO?

One thing I like about piano versus cello is that you can play tons of repertoire. I love all the piano concertos. But I like the cello because you can do it with [more people]. It's not solitary like piano. For cello, I was in a quartet last year. And I think I'm going to be in a clarinet trio. You can also be in an orchestra, and I think it's more fun to meet other musicians.



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