1994	Categories	Spotlight Finalist	High School	Career
	Ballet	Darlene Dirstine	Louisville High School	University of Miami, PhD in Physical Therapy; Columbia University, BA, Neuroscience and Behavior. Board Certified Neurological Clinical Specialist for Physical Therapy working in Southern California. Former Alvin Ailey instructor; Eglevsky Ballet; videotaped dancer for Nickelodeon's Backyardigans.
30	Ballet	Hiromi Ushino	Novato High School	Houston Ballet, former member, BalletMet Columbus, Ohio Endowment Foundation Scholarship San Francisco Ballet School; Encouragement Award Kwangju International Ballet Concourse South Korea.
	Classical Instrumental	Alpin Hong	Crossroads School	The Juilliard School; UCLA; First Prize, 2001 Concert Artists Guild; Santa Fe Symphony Award; Performances: Korean Broadcast Symphony, Music Center, Alice Tully and Avery Fisher Halls, Carnegie Hall, Santa Fe Symphony, Indian Hill Symphony, Orchestra X; Records with Channel Classics; 1990 Soviet-American Piano Institute in Moscow; martial arts champion.
	Classical Instrumental	Brenda Jones	Esperanza High School	Presidential Scholar; USC; 1997 Gilmore Young Artist Award in piano; Performance: Los Angeles Chamber Orchestra, Kalamazoo Symphony, music festivals in Aspen, Sarasota, Santa Barbara and New York.
	Classical Voice	Laura Griffith	Chadwick School	National Tour: Light in the Piazza (Fabrizio's sister); Columbia University; Performances: Craig Lucas/Adam Guettel musical, A Light in the Piazza at Lincoln Center, Sweet Smell Of Success with John Lithgow, Trevor Nunn/ Susan Stroman revival of Oklahoma!, European tour, West Side Story (Maria); Beauty and the Beast (Belle); Rocky Horror Show (Janet); A Little Night Music (Anne).
	Classical Voice	Ryan Smith	Hamilton Academy	Choir Teacher, Archer High School; 2007 New York Metropolitan Opera National Council Grand Finals competition; Santa Fe Opera Young Artist program; Performances: Parpignol in La Bohème at the Santa Fe Opera; Ohio University; Morehouse College.

369	Jazz Instrumental	Ben Gerstein	Santa Barbara High School	Manhattan School of Music; Ben Gerstein Collective; Assistant, Milken Archives for Jewish Music.
26	Jazz Instrumental	Derek Kwan	Agoura High School	Executive Director of the Lied Center of Kansas, University of Kansas. Former Vice President of Concerts & Touring, Jazz at Lincoln Center; Former Executive Director of Interlochen Presents, Interlochen Center for the Arts; credits on over 60 jazz albums including the 2006 Grammy winning and Latin Grammy winning Bebo de Cuba featuring Bebo Valdes; University of Wisconsin-Madison MBA; Duke University.
	Non Classical Dance	Danielle Hobbs	Eisenhower High School	Performer/Songwriter/Choreographer/Actress and motivational speaker; Cirque Du Soleil's Michael Jackson Immortal World Tour; performed with Shakira, Beyoncé, Will Smith, Mariah Carey, Wyclef, Usher; Choreography: 2006 World Music Awards, 2009 Wynn/Encore Vegas, Beyoncé's I Am Yours and tour; Broadway: Aida, Smokey Joes Café; Book: I Dance: A Simple Handbook to Starting a Successful Dance Career; Cal State Long Beach, MA, Education.
	Non Classical Dance	Sal Vassallo	San Pedro High School	Toured with Cher, Reba McIntyre; movies: Austin Powers 1, 11, 111, Strip Tease, Show Girls, Ocean's 11; danced with Desmond Morris; TV including Ally McBeal.
	Non Classical Voice	Jack Maher	Esperanza High School	Singer/Songwriter/Musician; launched band Amusia; product specialist for Boss & Roland Corporation, guitar and drum departments; produces electronic music with Pesky Humans; Berklee College of Music.
	Non Classical Voice	Kristine Remigio Linares	Irvine High School	Private voice teacher and coach; Broadway: Miss Saigon; Performances: Yonah Children of Eden, Gigi, Tuptim, The King and I; former Artistic Director, Musical Theatre Academy of Orange County, Woodbridge High School; California State University, Long Beach.