Tec students win international music competition



Leobardo Preciado Rojas and Bernardo Preciado Rojas, students at the Tec's <u>State of Mexico</u> <u>campus</u>, have respectively won first place and an honorable mention at the <u>Medici</u> <u>International Music Competition 2022</u>.

Based in **London**, the *Medici International Music Competition* accepts applications from **all nationalities and ages** in the categories of piano, voice, and **chamber**, **string**, **and wind instruments**.

Leobardo participated in the **percussion specialist** category, while Bernardo competed in the **violin youth talent** category.

Both students have **taken part** in the competition since **2021**, when Leobardo achieved **third place** and Bernardo got a **special mention**.

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Artistic journey

Leobardo and Bernardo explained the reasons why they stand out for their musical talent.

"I think I managed to stand out because of my dedication and perseverance, and the support of my teachers. Music is like any discipline: you have to dedicate time and effort to it," explained Leobardo.

"When I saw the **results of the competition**, I felt very **excited and proud** of all the hours I had **invested**. I began to understand that rewards **require hard work**," said Bernardo.

Both students have studied music **from an early age** and taken part in different competitions, such as **Tec Talent**, the **Young Artist Music Award** and the **'Las Notas de Guido'** international contest.

They are also members of the State of Mexico campus chamber orchestra and company of musicians.

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The impact of music

The young artists emphasize that music **requires constant dedication** and **attention to detail**, sharing the **motivations** behind their effort.

"You can **help people through music** to a certain extent. Sometimes what's already written isn't enough, so you **create something new** to express what you feel and give the **audience something to identify with**.

"I think that music can often go unnoticed, but **it has a big impact**. It's a constant **support**," shared Leobardo.

"I have a huge passion for music. The most important thing for me, more than getting awards, is just to be in contact with music by listening to it or playing it," mentioned Bernardo.

"You can help people through music." - Leobardo Preciado

Both students have future projects planned and expressed their **excitement to participate in more competitions** and to continue **developing** their musical talent.

"I have realized that I have an opportunity. If I work twice as hard, I can aspire to a higher level and further recognition.

"Being at the Tec has opened many doors for me and my music, and I want to achieve more," concluded Bernardo.

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