

# 2024 台灣人青少年才藝基金會 TYAF AWARDS CEREMONY

**Mitchell Suteerachai (秦于竣)**

**Elizabeth Jisun Lee (李智善)**

**Freddy Meng (孟遙遙)**

**Matthew Tang (唐宇軒)**

# Mitchell Suteerachai (秦于竣)

Mitchell is a 11<sup>th</sup> grader at Global Ecology (GE) program at Poolesville (PHS) and an active member at the school's Bayco Club and volleyball team.

Attended Washington DC Taiwanese School since very young age, Mitchell frequently helped at cultural events, volunteered to perform on holiday celebrations, and served as a counselor to children in the Dr. Liang Summer Camp. As he became more experienced, he was made a junior captain of the WDCTS Belugas team.

Mitchell is active with FASCA supported by TECRO Culture Center. For the past three years, he advocated for Taiwan awareness and also helped the local community through things such as trash clean-ups. Last year, he volunteered over 160 hours with FASCA and WDCTS, and obtained the Presidential Award. Some of his favorite moments during the community services include the FASCA training days, Bubble Tea Festival, and LNY celebration



# Elizabeth Jisun Lee (李智善)

Elizabeth Jisun Lee (李智善) is 17 years old. Most people know her as Lizzie. She is currently a junior at Winston Churchill High School but attending classes at Montgomery College (MC) Rockville Campus for the Early College Program.

Lizzie is an active member in the Taiwanese community. She attended the Washington School of Chinese Language and Culture (WSCLC) for 12 consecutive years (with perfect attendance from K2 to 10th grade) and is currently a Teaching Assistant and Youth Dragon Boat Team Member at the Washington D.C. Taiwanese School (WDCTS).

Lizzie is also part of the Formosa Association of Student Cultural Ambassadors (FASCA) Student Leader Ambassadors of the DC Chapter. She often performed “Diablo” at many community events such as Bubble Tea Festival at Rockville Town Center, Potomac Day, Rockville Lantern Festival, and Rockville Memorial Day Parade. With her involvement in WDCTS/TYAF and FASCA, she has the opportunity and hands-on experiences in volunteering in a lot of events promoting Taiwan cultural and heritage.



# Freddy Meng (孟遙遙)

Freddy is a sophomore at Richard Montgomery High School and been very active in the Taiwanese community from a very young age attending Washington DC Taiwanese School since the age of one.

As frequent volunteer at different events ever since, including being a member of the Washington DC FASCA chapter. These experiences caused Freddy to love the Taiwanese heritage, and he cherish each and every chance to get closer to Taiwanese culture.

Freddy enjoys playing basketball and watching sports at his free time.



# Matthew Tang (唐宇軒)

Matthew is currently attending Winston Churchill Highschool and been attending the Washington DC Taiwanese School leaning both Taiwanese and Mandarin since age 1.5 years old.

Matthew has been an active member in the Taiwanese community doing volunteering work such as attending UN for Taiwan, Bubble Tea Festival, Rockville Lantern Festival, Virtual Hangouts, TAA Thanksgiving events and tutoring online to students in need located in Taiwan and United States.

Matthew serve as a 3<sup>rd</sup> year Dr. Liang's Summer Camp counselor and 3<sup>rd</sup> year participating in WDCTS Dragon Boat team with his new role as Co-Captain

