

Ida Wiesenfeld

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International Baccalaureate student, pianist and award-winning young poet, bilingual in English and French, with a background spanning London, Paris and Charlotte. Committed student leader focused on environmental sustainability and community education.

MUSIC

Pianist

2018 – Present

Classical training — English Russian School of Music, London

- Trained as a classical pianist before joining the school Jazz Ensemble as its pianist, performing across both classical and jazz repertoire.

WRITING & PUBLICATIONS

Award-winning young poet specialising in haiku, with work recognised internationally and featured in literary journals and magazines.

- **Winner**, Golden Haiku International Competition — selected and featured poem
- **Published**, Teen Ink magazine — Editor's Choice Award
- **Published**, Stone Soup magazine
- **Featured writer**, The Haiku Foundation "re:Virals" — featured poem with commentary
- **Third place**, El Cerrito Trail Haiku competition
- **Selected**, Zen Peacemaker — featured haiku
- **Featured writer**, Leaf Journal
- **Published**, Cold Moon Haiku Journal
- **Featured writer**, Triveni Spotlight

EDUCATION

Ballantyne Ridge High School — Charlotte, NC

Expected 2028

International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme (DP1)

- A Honour Roll for 7 consecutive quarters.
- International schooling background across London, Paris and Charlotte.

LEADERSHIP & EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

President & Founder, Recycling Club

2025 – Present

- Founded and currently lead the club through its launch, setting up recycling infrastructure across the school.

Madricha (Teaching Assistant), Temple Israel Religion School

2025 – Present

- Lead the administrative team, plan events, and manage parent–teacher communication for the religion school.

Student Leadership Board, International Baccalaureate

2024 – Present

- Member of the student voice council, representing and promoting the school to the international leadership board.

Taekwondo & Leadership Programme

2024 – Present

- Selected for the rising instructors team to teach and mentor younger students.

The Bulb — Volunteer

2024 – Present

- Consistent, long-standing volunteer since 2024 — regularly sort and distribute rescued produce from supermarkets to communities in need, diverting waste from landfill.

Envirothon Competition Club

2025 – Present

- Represent the school at state-level environmental competitions.

Battle of the Books Competition Club

2024 – Present

- Represent the school in inter-school reading competitions.

Shalom Green Planning Committee

Spring 2025

- Planned Earth Day programming for the synagogue education programme.

LANGUAGES

- English & French — Bilingual, native fluency
- Mandarin Chinese — fluent in speaking and listening comprehension; preparing for the HSK Level 3 examination
- Romanian — strong listening comprehension (understands native-level conversation); developing spoken fluency