

Composes symphony at 16

## Young musician collecting awards

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Rockwood resident Jason Nabeta is one of very few who can say they composed their first symphony while in high school.

Nabeta, 19, now in his second year studying music at McMaster, wrote a symphony for the school concert band when he was 16.

"The melody just hit me all of a sudden," said Nabeta. "It was a premature effort."

Since then Nabeta has been very successful in the music world, particularly on the piano.

In 1991 he received first prize for his performance of the Mozart Concerto in C Major, No. 21, at the Walkerton Music Festival. He also received first prize for his composition, Variations on a Theme from a Music Festival, and his Symphony No. 1 for Concert Band. Nabeta also

received the Merrill Francis Gage Entrance scholarship from McMaster University.

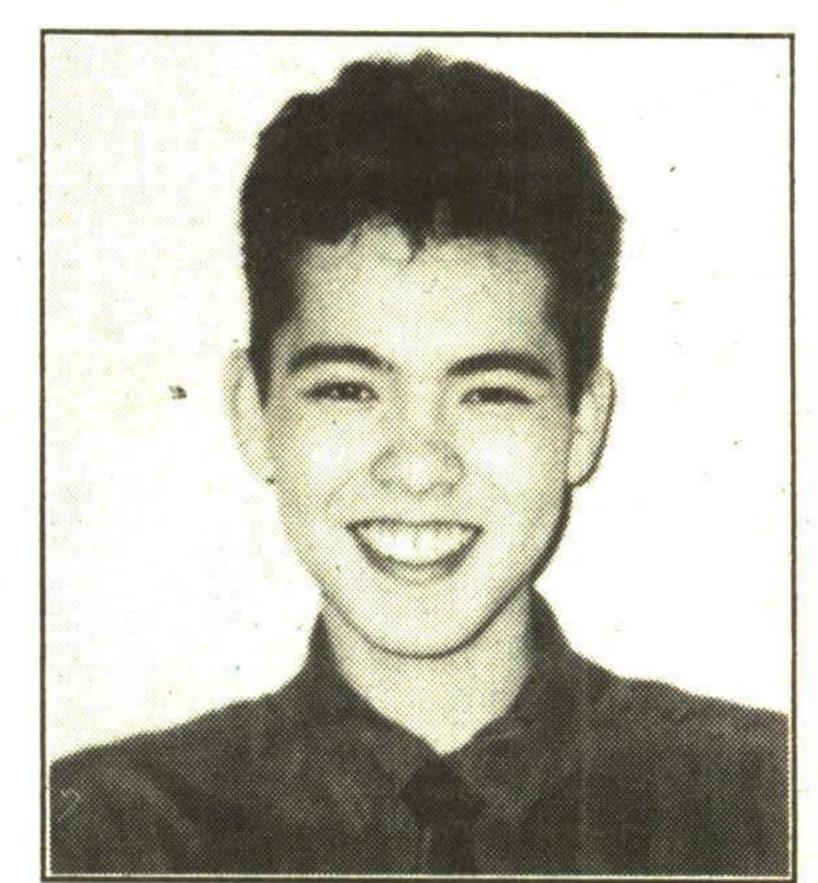
Nabeta says he didn't really become interested in music until he moved to Acton in 1988. Prior to the move he had studied piano but wasn't really hooked.

"When I came to Acton I met Anya Laurence (music teacher) and that turned me around," said Nabeta.

Nabeta is currently working on his second symphony and has also composed various other works including Suite for Orchestra Overture and a string quartet.

Over the past year Nabeta has travelled to Connecticut for master classes at the Landowska Center.

The piano is the instrument Nabeta plays most often, but he says he is also interested in the harpsichord.



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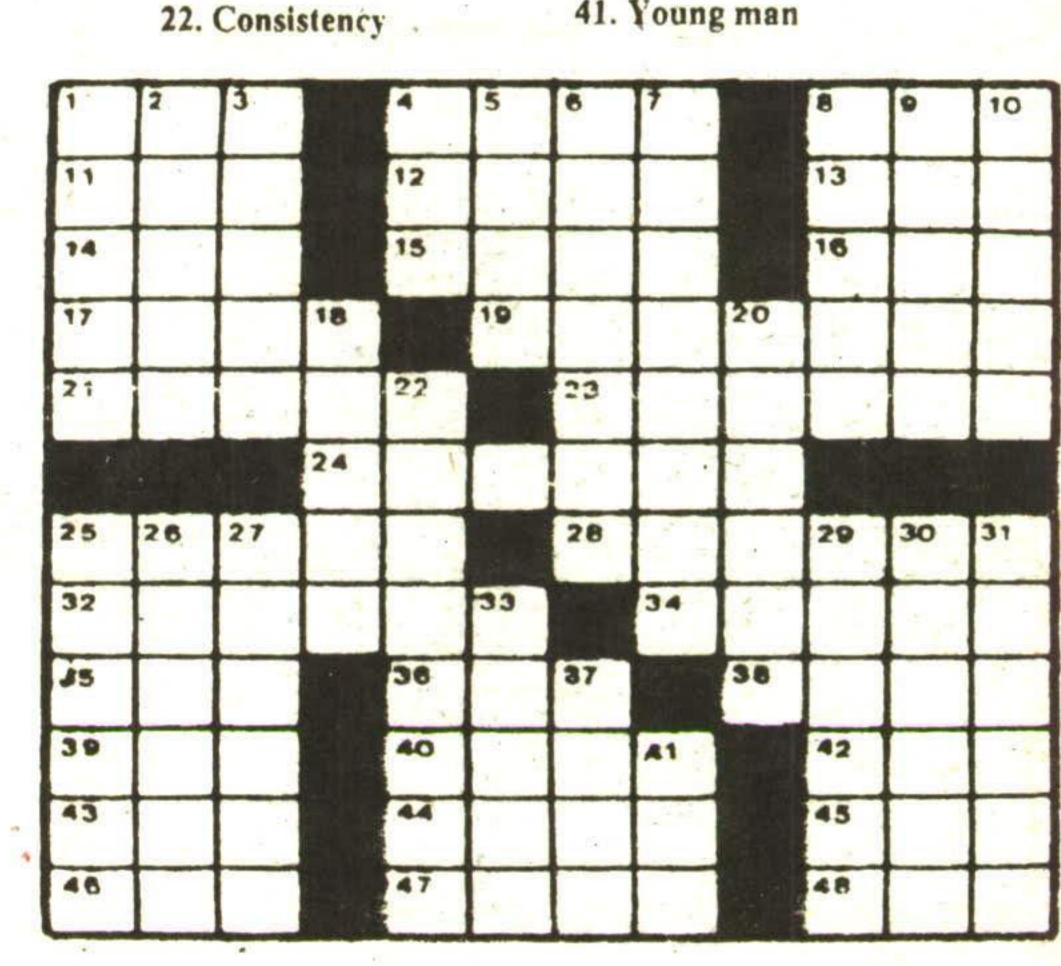
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