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Area residents win scholarships at Wilfrid Laurier University

Waterloo, Ora. (Feb. 20) — Two area residents have won two scholarships at Wilfrid Laurier University in Waterloo.

Jayesh Mehta, in the first year of the honors computing and computer electronics program at Laurier, and Christine Vanderkooy, who is in the third year of the honors music program, will be among 75 students honored at an awards ceremony at 4:30 p.m. on March 8 in the Maureen Forrester Recital Hall on campus.

Mehta will receive the Centennial-Anniversary Scholarship, a \$3,250 entrance scholarship for students with an average of 90 per cent or more. It is renewable up to three time for a total value of up to \$13,000.

He will also be presented with a Canada Scholarship. This \$2,500 scholarship is awarded by the federal government to reward academic excellence and encourage more of Canada's most promising students to choose careers in science and engineering. It is renewable up to three times for a total value of up to \$10,000.

Mehta, who graduated from Orchard Park Secondary School in 1994, is the 19-year-old son of Ashwin and Usha Mehta of Valera Drive in Stoney Creek.

Vanderkooy will receive the Walwyn S. Long Award. The \$500 award is presented to a music student judged to have outstanding performing ability.

Vanderkooy, who graduated from Orchard Park Secondary School in 1991, is the 21-year-old daughter of Tony and Audrey Vanderkooy of RR# 1 Binbrook.

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