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James Perretta

At 17 years old, James Perretta is the youngest person ever selected as a member of the Munny Orchestra. He won the position in the blind audition held to replace long-time member Aileen Friedel who retired from the Munny after the 2008 season.

James will begin his senior year at Lindbergh High School in the fall of 2009. James currently studies the cello with Catherine Lehr and has previously studied with Mary Lou Gotman and Jo Ellen Lyons. James has been a member of the Saint Louis Symphony Youth Orchestra for three years, currently serving as Principal cellist, and has participated in the Missouri All-State Orchestra, of which he was principal cellist for two years. James has also won several young artist competitions including; the William Schatzkammer Young Artist Competition, the Belleville Philharmonic Concerto Competition and the Saint Louis Symphony Youth Orchestra Concerto Competition.

James also enjoys studying Calculus and Physics in school, studying Ryu-Te, an Okinawan style of Karate, and teaching gymnastics at the YMCA.