

Holly Gaines, flutist, is a senior at Wilson High School, valedictorian of her class with a 4.0 grade point, and captain of her school's academic team. Her many musical awards include; Outstanding High School soloist at the Oklahoma Flute Society's Solo and Ensemble Festival, the Oklahoma Music Olympics Woodwind Division prize, and the overall prize in the Carver Competition at Oklahoma City University. Most recently she was awarded the Michael Kamen Award from Mr. Holland's Opus Foundation which included a new flute valued at \$15,000 on which she will be performing with the Oklahoma City Symphonic Band.

For the past three years, she has been the first chair flute in both the Small Schools Allstate Band and the Oklahoma Music Educator's Association Allstate Band. She was chosen to attend the Oklahoma Summer Arts Institute at Quartz Mountain in 2008 and was also chosen by the Oklahoma City Philharmonic to perform in a Side-By-Side Concert where she shared a stand with the Philharmonic's principle flutist, Valerie Watts.

She studies flute with Juliana Overmier of East Central University.