

Los Angeles calls young star

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After performing in the local rendition of High School Musical and being selected for Grease, Rebecca Diaz is heading to Los Angeles.

The 17-year-old is competing in the World Championships of Performing Arts in LA in July after winning five gold and two silver medals in the nationals for her singing and acting.

"It's just really amazing," she says of the chance to perform in LA.



Going for gold: Rebecca Diaz will compete in LA.

"I've been performing my whole life."

The year 13 Rangitoto College student is fundraising for her trip.

She enjoys singing songs by contemporary artists such as her "idol" Celine Dion, and performing in musical theatre.

She has performed as Sharpay in the National Youth Theatre Company's rendition of High School Musical and is performing in Grease at the Aotea Centre.

She is joining Browns Bay's 14-year-old singer, dancer and actor Andrew Papas at the performing arts championships in LA.