

Neil Gilfillan, Cellist and Teacher

EDUCATION

University of North Texas, *Master of Music in Performance, Related Field: Music Education*, 2007-'09

University of Texas at Arlington, *Bachelor of Music in Performance*, 2002-'07

PRINCIPAL TEACHERS

Private Instructors: Elizabeth Morrow, Nikola Nino Ruzevic, David Grigorian, Wesley Baldwin

Coaches: Sergio Espinosa, Scott Conklin, Gustavo Romero, Nikola Nino Ruzevic, Karen Basrak

Masterclasses: Eleonore Schoenfeld, David Grigorian, Wesley Baldwin, Michael Flaksman, and Dobrila Berkovic-Magdalenic

SUZUKI TRAINING

Active member of the Suzuki Association since 2013

Trainers: Tanya Carey (2013), Andrea Yun (2014), Mark Mutter (2014)

Registration: Every Child Can!, Cello Units 1 & 2

PERFORMANCE EXPERIENCE

SOLO WITH ORCHESTRA

University of Texas at Arlington Symphony Orchestra, Saint-Saens *Concerto No. 1*

SOLO RECITAL

Solo Recitals yearly at University of Texas at Arlington, Arlington (2002-'05)

B.M. Degree recitals at University of Texas at Arlington, Arlington (2007)

M.M. Degree recital at University of North Texas, Denton (2009)

ENSEMBLE WORK

Founding Member of The 440 Alliance, who demonstrated and gave clinics at:

Schools in DFW area

UTA Summer Strings, Texas Cello Academy-- Arlington, TX

TCU Cellofest-- Ft. Worth, TX

State Strings Camp-- San Marcos, TX

TMEA Convention 2008

TODA Convention 2011

NPR's All Songs Considered 2007

Fox Sports TV

ORCHESTRAL

Las Colinas Symphony Orchestra, Las Colinas, TX, (2003-2007)

San Angelo Symphony Orchestra, San Angelo, TX, (2003-2009)

South Arkansas Symphony, El Dorado, AK, (2005-2007)

Adrian Symphony, Adrian, MI, (2011-2014)

Lansing Symphony, East Lansing, MI, (2013-2015)

Jackson Symphony Orchestra, Jackson, MI, (2014-present)

COMPETITIONS

Winner, University of Texas at Arlington Concerto Competition, 2005

Finalist, University of Texas at Arlington Concerto Competition, 2004

SCHOLARSHIPS & AWARDS

Arlington Arts League Award (2005)

University of Texas at Arlington Merit Scholarship (2002-'07)

SUMMER FESTIVALS

Heifetz Music Institute, Wolfeboro, New Hampshire

Tennessee Cello Workshop, Knoxville, Tennessee

Hot Springs Music Festival, Hot Springs, Arkansas

Upbeat Music Festival, Korcula, Croatia

WORK EXPERIENCE

SELF-EMPLOYMENT

Private cello teacher (2002- present)

SUZUKI ROYAL OAK INSTITUTE OF MUSIC-- ROYAL OAK, MI

Cello Teacher, Group & Private Lessons (2013-'15)

SHAR MUSIC-- ANN ARBOR, MI

Showroom Sales Associate (2012-'13)

LONE STAR YOUTH ORCHESTRA-- IRVING, TX

Cello Sectionals Coach, (2008-'11)

Substitute Conductor, (2009-'10)

HARPOOL MS, BLANTON ELEM., & E.P. RAYZOR ELEM.-- DENTON, TX

Assistant Director, Middle School & Elementary Strings (2009)

PRIVATE LESSONS THROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICTS-- TEXAS

Denton ISD (2008-'10)

Arlington ISD (2008)

Lewisville ISD, Flower Mound (2007)

Irving ISD (2007)

TEXAS CELLO ACADEMY-- ARLINGTON, TX

Dorm Counselor, Cello Sectionals Coach, Faculty (Summers 2003-'06, 2009-'10)

UNIV. OF TEXAS AT ARLINGTON SUMMER STRINGS-- ARLINGTON, TX

Dorm Counselor, Chamber Group Coach, Cello Sectionals Coach, Faculty (Summer 2004)

REFERENCES AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST

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