

Rachel Samson, Viola & Violin Instructor

EDUCATION

Univ. of Michigan School of Music, Theatre & Dance, *Master of Music in Performance*, 2011-'13

Cleveland Institute of Music, *Bachelor of Music in Performance*, 2007-'10

Cleveland Institute of Music, *Young Artist Program*, 2003-'07

PRINCIPAL TEACHERS

Private Instructors: Virginia Christopherson, Michael Davis, Deborah Price, Stanley Konopka, Jeffrey Irvine, Lynne Ramsey, Heidi Castleman, Yizhak Schotten, Caroline Coade

Coaches: Peter Salaff, Cavani String Quartet, Itzhak Perlman, Paul Katz, Andrew Jennings

Masterclasses: Yizhak Schotten, Carol Rodland, Michelle LaCourse, Susan DuBois, Jeffrey Irvine, Kirsten Docter, Stanley Konopka, Lisa Boyko, Charles Pikler Kim Kashkashian, Helen Callus, Katherine Murdock, Karen Ritscher, Heidi Castleman, Ivry Gitlis, Martin Beaver, Joel Smirnoff, Colorado, Jerusalem, and Tokyo quartets

SUZUKI TRAINING

Active member of the Suzuki Association since 2009

Trainers: Kimberly Meier-Sims (2009-2011), Mark Mutter (2014)

Registration: Every Child Can!, Viola Units 1-4, Violin Units 1-10, Violin Practicum

PERFORMANCE EXPERIENCE

SOLO WITH ORCHESTRA

Cleveland Orchestra, Bartok *Concerto*

SOLO RECITAL

Solo Recitals yearly at The Cleveland Institute of Music, Cleveland (2003-'07)

B.M. Degree recitals at The Cleveland Institute of Music, Cleveland ('09 & '10)

Fellowship Recital at Montecito International Music Festival, Santa Barbara (2009)

M.M. Degree recital at Univ. of Michigan School of Music, Theatre & Dance, Ann Arbor (2013)

CHAMBER MUSIC

Nocturna String Quartet at The Cleveland Institute of Music, Intensive Chamber Music Seminar

ORCHESTRAL

Cleveland Institute of Music Orchestra, *Principal, rotation*

UofM SMTD University Symphony Orchestra, *Principal* (2012-2013)

Jackson Symphony Orchestra, Jackson, MI, *section viola* (2014-present)

RADIO BROADCASTS & RECORDINGS

Broadcast with various chamber groups on Cleveland Radio WCLV, 104.9, 2008

COMPETITIONS

Winner, Cleveland Orchestra Young Artist Competition, 2006

SCHOLARSHIPS & AWARDS

Montecito International Music Festival Westmont Fellowship (2009)
Cleveland Institute of Music Merit Scholarship (2007-'10)
University of Michigan School of Music, Theatre & Dance Merit Fellowship (2011-'13)
Univ. of Michigan School of Music, Theatre & Dance Doctoral Fellowship (2013-'16) (turned down)

SUMMER FESTIVALS

ENCORE School for Strings, Ohio
Perlman Music Program, New York/Florida
Montecito Music Festival, California

WORK EXPERIENCE

SELF-EMPLOYMENT

Private viola & violin teacher (2005- present)

RUDOLF STEINER SCHOOL OF ANN ARBOR-- ANN ARBOR, MI

Viola Sectional Coach, Middle School (2013)
3rd Grade Violin Teacher (2015-'16)

FARMINGTON HIGH SCHOOL-- FARMINGTON HILLS, MI

Viola Sectional Coach (2014-'15)

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

Violin & Viola Teacher, Group & Private Lessons (2014-'15)

SHAR MUSIC-- ANN ARBOR, MI

Showroom Sales Associate (July 2012- July 2014)

HATHAWAY BROWN SCHOOL-- SHAKER HEIGHTS, OH

Orchestra Director Substitute, Middle School and High School (2011-'12)

CLEVELAND INSTITUTE OF MUSIC-- CLEVELAND, OH

Assistant Coach, Course: Chamber Music for Non-Majors (Spring 2010)
Assistant Coach, Summer Chamber Music Program (Summer 2010)

MENTOR HIGH SCHOOL-- MENTOR, OH

Viola Sectionals Coach (2010-'11)
Viola Sectionals Coach/ Counselor, Mentor Mannheim Camp at Youngstown State Univ.
(Summers 2011-'14)

BALDWIN-WALLACE CONSERVATORY OF MUSIC-- BEREA, OH

Violin and Viola Coach, Middle School Strings Summer Program (Summers 2011-'12)

REFERENCES AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST

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