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EDUCATION

Doctor of Musical Arts in Violin Performance, December 2020

University of Wisconsin-Madison Mead Witter School of Music

Major Professor: Soh-Hyun Park Altino

Advisors: Les Thimmig, Sally Chisholm, David Crook, David Perry

- Paul Collins Fellow 2017-2020
- Completed minor in Jazz Studies
- Dissertation — *Twenty-First Century American Storytellers: Six Compositions for Unaccompanied Violin, 2000-2019*
 - Studio-produced album of six works for violin by living American composers, with accompanying essays employing author-conducted composer interviews.

Graduate Diploma in Violin Performance, 2017

Major Professor: Violaine Melançon

Peabody Institute of Music | Baltimore, MD

Master of Music in Violin Performance, 2015

Major Professor: Laura Bossert

Longy School of Music of Bard College | Cambridge, MA

Undergraduate Diploma in Violin Performance, 2013

Major Professor: Laura Bossert

Longy School of Music of Bard College | Cambridge, MA

UNIVERSITY TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2017-2019	Section Mentor for University Symphony Orchestra	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Taught upper string sectionals• Small-group & individual coachings	UW-Madison, Madison, WI
2012-2015	Teaching Assistant to Laura Bossert	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Duo-teaching in private lessons, chamber music coachings, and studio classes• Make-up lessons and coachings as assigned	Longy School of Music of Bard College, Cambridge, MA

STUDIO, FESTIVAL & YOUTH TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2021-present	Acord Violin & Viola Studio	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Students ages 8-25 of varying levels• Recent studio events: solo recitals Nov 16, 2022 and May 7, 2022; Chamber Music Week (three groups, three rehearsals, final concert Dec 16, 2022)	Madison, WI
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STUDIO, FESTIVAL & YOUTH TEACHING EXPERIENCE, continued

Fall 2022- present	Instructor at One City Expeditionary Schools (Harmony Madison/COPA)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Beginning violin with first graders • Classroom assistance & 10-15 min individual lessons • 1-2 days per week 	Madison, WI
2021- 2022	Madison Conservatory	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Weekly individual lessons for violin and viola students ages five through eighteen 	Madison, WI
2021- present	Wisconsin Youth Symphony Orchestras' Music Makers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Weekly individual lessons for preteen violin and viola students • Works closely with program director to discuss each student's progress across lessons and group classes 	Madison, WI
2021- present	Violin and Viola Instructor at Arboretum School of Music	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Weekly individual lessons for violin and viola students ages five through eighteen 	Waunakee, WI
2021- present	Violin and Viola Instructor at Heid Music	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Weekly individual lessons for violin and viola students ages eight through adult 	Madison, WI
2021	String Cohort & Chamber Ensemble Coach for Wisconsin Youth Symphony Orchestras	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Weekly conducting and rehearsing of a young string orchestra. • Weekly coaching and side-by-side playing with a high school chamber group. 	Madison, WI
2017- 2020	Private Violin & Viola Instructor for Community Music Lessons at UW-Madison	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Taught weekly individual lessons to violin and viola students • Students ages eight through older adult, some with physical disabilities 	Madison, WI
2013- 2015	Lyricalfest Music Festival Young Artist Faculty	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lessons and coachings for college and high school students and chamber groups 	Lincoln, MA
2014- 2015	Private Violin & Viola Instructor at Seed Music & Arts Center	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Taught weekly lessons to violin and viola students ages five to ten 	Braintree, MA
2014	New England Chamber Music Festival Teaching Fellow	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Full-time mentor & coach for middle school quartet. • Side-by-side playing 	Montpelier, VT
2013- 2014	Bridge Boston Charter School's El Sistema-inspired Violin Program	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4 hours per week of service. • Coaching and individual fifteen-minute clinics reinforcing a single technical concept 	Dorchester, MA

MASTER CLASSES: VIOLIN PARTICIPATION

2019	James Ehnes	UW-Madison
2016	Midori Goto	Peabody Institute of Music
2016	Shlomo Mintz	Peabody Institute of Music
2015	Martin Beaver	Peabody Institute of Music
2011	Yura Lee	Longy School of Music of Bard College
2010	Lucy Chapman	Longy School of Music of Bard College
2008	Charles Castleman	History Museum of Alexandria, VA

MASTER CLASSES: VIOLA PARTICIPATION

2014	Daniel Panner	New England Chamber Music Festival, Montpelier, VT
2010	Rictor Noren	Longy School of Music of Bard College
2005	Roberto Diaz	Levine School of Music, Washington, D.C.

MASTER CLASSES: CHAMBER MUSIC

2018	Blaise Magniere	UW-Madison
2016	Dover String Quartet	Peabody Institute of Music
2015	Takacs String Quartet	Peabody Institute of Music
2014	Matt Haimovitz	Longy School of Music of Bard College
2013	Escher String Quartet	Chamber Music Institute at University of Nebraska, Lincoln, NE
2013	Roger Tapping	Lyricalfest Chamber Music Festival, Lincoln, MA
2013	Ian Swenson	Longy School of Music of Bard College
2013	Paul Katz	Longy School of Music of Bard College
2012	Laura Goldberg	Lyricalfest Chamber Music Festival, Lincoln, MA
2011	William Preucil	Lyricalfest Chamber Music Festival Lincoln, MA
2008	Earl Carlyss	Chamber Music in Grantham, Mechanicsburg, PA
2007	Marin Alsop	Levine School of Music, Washington, D.C.
2006	Ronald Leonard	Chamber Music in Grantham, Mechanicsburg, PA
2006-10	Mendelssohn Piano Trio	Chamber Music in Grantham, Mechanicsburg, PA

MUSIC FESTIVALS: VIOLIN PARTICIPATION

2018-2019	Caroga Lake Music Festival	Caroga Lake, NY
2015	Maine Chamber Music Seminar at Snow Pond Music Festival	Sidney, ME
2011-2015	Lyricalfest Chamber Music Festival	Lincoln, MA
2013	Bowdoin International Music Festival	Brunswick, ME
2013	Chamber Music Institute at University of Nebraska-Lincoln	Lincoln, NE
2012	Kent/Blossom Music	Kent, Ohio
2011	Garth Newel Music Center Chamber Music Fellowship	Warm Springs, VA
2008	Charles Castleman Quartet Program	Fredonia, NY

MUSIC FESTIVALS: VIOLA PARTICIPATION

2015	Techne Music	Bethlehem, PA
2010	Portland String Quartet Seminar	Standish, ME
2006-2010	Chamber Music in Grantham	Mechanicsburg, PA
2007	Charles Castleman Quartet Program	Fredonia, NY

PERFORMANCES AS SOLOIST WITH ORCHESTRA

Mar 18, 2018	UW-Madison Symphony Orchestra Concerto Competition Showcase	Madison, WI
	Beethoven, Violin Concerto in D major, Op. 61	
May 2009	Landon Symphonette Chamber Orchestra	Bethesda, MD
	Bach, Violin Concerto in E major, BWV 1042	
Apr 2008	Landon Symphonette Concerto Competition Showcase	Bethesda, MD
	Barber, Violin Concerto, Op. 14	

DEGREE-RELATED PERFORMANCES AT UW-MADISON

Apr 2020	Lecture Recital Marti Epstein, <i>Temblor</i> ; Christopher Cerrone, <i>Shall I Project a World?</i> ; Donald Martino, <i>Romanza</i> ; Les Thimmig, <i>Coral Flame Spirals</i> ; Kaley Lane Eaton, <i>KEEPING IT TOGETHER</i>	submitted by recording
Nov 1, 2019	Duo Recital with Eric Tran, piano Prokofiev, <i>Five Melodies</i> , Op. 35a; Bach, Partita No.1 in B minor, BWV 1002; Debussy, Sonata for Violin and Piano in G minor L. 148; Sarasate, <i>Caprice Basque</i> , Op. 24	Collins Recital Hall
Apr 22, 2019	Jazz Minor Recital James Waldo, cello; Nathan Peterson, piano; Aden Stier, bass; Lily Finnegan, drums	Morphy Recital Hall
Mar 27, 2019	Duo Recital with Thomas Kasdorf, piano Bartók, Sonata No. 1 for Violin and Piano, Sz. 75; Schubert, Fantasy for Violin and Piano, D. 934	Morphy Recital Hall
Nov 28, 2018	Trios with James Waldo, cello & Alyona Aksyonova, piano Mozart, Piano Trio in E major, K. 542; Mendelssohn, Piano Trio No. 2 in C minor, op. 66; Schoenfield, <i>Café Music</i> for Piano Trio	Morphy Recital Hall
Apr 7, 2018	Recital with the Søl String Quartet Haydn, String Quartet in G Major, Op. 33 No. 5; Dvořák, String Quartet No. 13 in G Major, Op. 106	Morphy Recital Hall
Mar 4, 2018	Concerto recital joined by Alyona Aksyonova, piano Beethoven, Violin Concerto in D major, Op. 61; Vaughan-Williams, <i>The Lark Ascending</i>	Morphy Recital Hall

DEGREE-RELATED PERFORMANCES AT PEABODY INSTITUTE

Apr 23, 2017	Duo Recital with Allison Freeman, piano Ives, Sonata No. 3 for Violin and Piano; Ravel, Sonata No. 2 for Violin and Piano	Griswold Recital Hall
Feb 2, 2016	With Da-Hee Kim, piano R. Clarke, <i>Midsummer Moon</i> ; Mozart, Sonata for Violin and Piano K. 378; Bruch, Violin Concerto in G minor, Op. 26	Griswold Recital Hall

DEGREE-RELATED PERFORMANCES AT LONGY SCHOOL OF MUSIC OF BARD

Apr 12, 2015	Recital with Esther Ning-Yau, piano & Con Affetto String Trio Bach, Sonata for Violin and Continuo, BWV 1021; Beethoven, String Trio in D Major, Op. 9 No. 2; Arvo Pärt, <i>Fratres</i> ; Franck, Sonata for Violin and Piano in A Major	Pickman Hall
May 5, 2013	Recital with Sogol Shirazi, piano & Con Affetto String Quartet Beethoven, Sonata for Violin and Piano in A minor, Op. 23; Bach, Sonata for Violin in G minor; Mendelssohn, String Quartet in F minor, Op. 80; Schoenfield, <i>Four Souvenirs</i> for Violin and Piano	Pickman Hall

OTHER NOTABLE PERFORMANCES

Dec 8, 2022	Violin Recitalist with Eric Tran, piano Brahms Violin Sonata No. 1 in G major; Dorothy Rudd Moore Three Pieces for Violin and Piano; Debussy, Sonata for Violin & Piano in G minor L. 148	Arboretum Co-Housing Community Room, Madison, WI
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<u>OTHER NOTABLE PERFORMANCES, continued</u>		
Feb-May 2022	Chamber Music Series at ALL Feb 24, 2022; Apr 21, 2022; May 19, 2022 Works including Gubaidulina String Trio; John Adams Alleged Dances; Shulamit Ran String Quartet No. 3	Arts + Literature Laboratory, Madison, WI
Oct 14, 2019	Recitalist for UW-Madison Retirement Association Luncheon with Eric Tran, piano Prokofiev, <i>Five Melodies</i> ; Bach, Partita No.1 in B minor; Debussy, Sonata for Violin & Piano in G minor L. 148	Covenant Presbyterian Church, Madison, WI
Aug 31 & Sep 1, 2019	Token Creek Chamber Music Festival: Robert Levin, soloist Violist for Beethoven, Piano Concerto No. 4 in G major, Op. 58 reconstructed for piano & string quintet	DeForest, WI
May 26, 2018	Piccolo Spoleto Festival Clarke, <i>Midsummer Moon</i> ; Mendelssohn, Piano Trio No. 2 in C minor, op. 66	City Gallery, Charleston, SC
Apr 18, 2017	Music at Noon series with Michael Kannen, cello & Sahun Hong, piano Brahms, Piano Trio No. 3 in C minor Op. 101	Academy Art Museum, Easton, MD
May 2016	If Music Be The Food: Baltimore Chapter Violist for Beethoven, String Trio No. 3 in C minor, Op. 9 No. 3	Emmanuel Episcopal Church, Baltimore, MD
Apr 27, 2016	Conservatory Project Peabody Conservatory Spotlight Violist for selections from J. Heggie, <i>Camille Claudel: Into the Fire</i> (2012)	Kennedy Center's Millennium Stage, Washington, D.C.
June 2013	Lyricalfest SummerFest Series Midday Showcase with Roger Tapping & the Hausmann String Quartet Mendelssohn, Octet in E-flat Major, op. 20; Mozart, Viola Quintet in G minor, K. 516	Lyricalfest Chamber Music Festival, Lincoln, MA
May 5, 2013	Audubon Society Benefit Concert with Lyrica Boston Chamber Players Violist for Dvorak Piano Quintet No. 2 in A major, Op. 81	Lincoln, MA
Nov 13, 2011	World Premiere of Claudio Gabriele's <i>Neuma 21</i> for solo violin Chagall Performance Art Collaborative	Outpost 186, Cambridge, MA
Jun 29, 2009	Violin & Viola Recitalist with Audrey Andrist, piano C. Schumann, Three Romances for Violin and Piano, Op. 22; L. Boulanger, <i>Nocturne</i> for Violin and Piano; G. Bacewicz, <i>Oberek</i> for Violin and Piano; Clarke, Sonata for Viola and Piano	The Lyceum (of the Alexandria History Museum), Alexandria, VA
Dec 21, 2008	Viola Recitalist with Irina Kats, piano Bach, Suite No. 2 in D minor, BWV 1008; Bartok, Viola Concerto Sz. 120	The Lyceum, Alexandria, VA
Dec 22, 2007	Violin Recitalist with Audrey Andrist, piano Telemann, Sonata No. 2 for Violin in D major; Brahms, Sonata No. 3 for Violin and Piano in D minor, Op. 108	The Lyceum, Alexandria, VA
Mar 19, 2006	Violin Recitalist with Ralitz Patcheva, piano Beethoven, Sonata No. 5 in F major, Op. 24; Rota, <i>Improvviso</i> in C major for Violin and Piano	The Lyceum, Alexandria, VA

AWARDS & HONORS

2017-2020	Paul Collins Fellowship <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One of four schoolwide recipients for 2017 entrance • full tuition support & \$21,000 stipend/year, total \$45,000/year 	UW-Madison
2016-2017	Valerie Slingluff Violin Scholarship	Peabody Institute of Music
Feb 2014 & Nov 2013	WQXR's McGraw Hill Financial Young Artist Showcase <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • featured artist with Con Affetto String Quartet & Sogol Shirazi, piano 	New York Public Radio
May 2013	Roman Totenberg Award for Academic and Artistic Achievement <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • highest cumulative undergraduate GPA in Longy's history 	Longy School of Music of Bard College
May 2011	Margaret Rohde Award for Solfege and Theoretical Studies	Longy School of Music of Bard College

PROFESSIONAL ORCHESTRAL EXPERIENCE

Fall 2022	Concertmaster of Middleton Community Orchestra Appointed in Oct 2022 for paid leadership position	Middleton, WI
Mar 2020	Violin Section Substitute with LaCrosse Symphony Orchestra	LaCrosse, WI
Oct 2018	Guest Concertmaster with LaCrosse Symphony Orchestra	LaCrosse, WI
Nov 2018	Guest Assistant Concertmaster with Wisconsin Philharmonic	Waukesha, WI
2007-2009	Section Violin & Viola with Landon Symphonette	Bethesda, MD

UNIVERSITY ORCHESTRAL EXPERIENCE

2017-2019	Concertmaster & Principal Second with UW-Madison Symphony Orchestra	Madison, WI
2015-2017	Concertmaster, Principal Second & Section Violin with Peabody Symphony Orchestra	Baltimore, MD
2009-2014	Concertmaster, Principal Second, Section Violin, & Section Viola with Longy Conservatory Orchestra	Cambridge, MA
2014	Guest Section Violin for Eastern European Tour with Bard College Conservatory Orchestra	various
2012	Section Violin with Kent/Blossom Chamber Orchestra	Kent, Ohio

PERFORMANCE-BASED OUTREACH

2016-17	Peabody String Sinfonia <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community-oriented performances at venues including Maryland Correctional Institute for Women in Jessup, MD; Mount Vernon Place United Methodist Church; Baltimore Station Shelter for Homeless Veterans. 	Baltimore, MD
May 2012	The Playground Project <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Three interactive pop-up performances each approximately forty-five minutes featuring flexible programming to invite audience participation. • Invited audience requests for characters and emotions of improvised musical "conversations." • Selected movements from the violin duo repertoire & short original compositions exploring connections between musical and spoken gesture. 	Alexander W. Kemp Playground, Cambridge, MA

EDUCATIONAL OUTREACH

- May 2015** **Viola Mentor for Chamber Music Residency at Conservatory Lab Charter School with From the Top's Center for the Development of Arts Leaders** Dorchester, MA
- One week of daily private lessons & coachings.
 - Side-by-side rehearsals and performance playing with students.
- Dec 2014** **Interactive Workshop: Exploring Timbre and Conversation in Chamber Music with Con Affetto String Trio** Dorchester, MA
- Guided activities using themes from Beethoven, String Trio Op. 9 No. 2 culminating in a performance of the finale movement.

REFERENCES

- Soh-Hyun Altino** Associate Professor of Violin at Wheaton College Sohhyun.altino@wheaton.edu
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- Violaine Melançon** Associate Professor of Violin at McGill University's Schulich School of Music Violaine.melancon@mcgill.ca
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- Parry Karp** Artist in Residence & Graebner Professor of Chamber Music and Cello at UW-Madison's Mead Witter School of Music pdkarp@wisc.edu
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