

Ava Shedd, Violin

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EDUCATION

Indiana University, Jacob's School of Music

Master of Music in Violin Performance

Bloomington, IN

Projected May 2027

Jacobs Music Funds

Performance Fellowship

University of Cincinnati, College-Conservatory of Music - GPA 3.8

Bachelor of Music in Violin Performance

Cincinnati, OH

May 2025

CCM Honors Scholarship

Dieterle Scholarship

Dumler Award

Dorothy Anne Riddinger Scholar

Stecker Century Scholarship

S Smith Scholarship

SUMMER FESTIVALS

Brevard Music Center

Brevard, NC 2025

Sarasota Music Festival

Sarasota, FL 2024

Miami Beach Classical Music Festival

Miami Beach, FL 2024

Ascent International Chamber Music Festival

Cincinnati, OH 2023

Heifetz International Chamber Music Festival

Online (due to Covid-19) 2020

Meadowmount School of Music

Westport, NY 2019

Green Mountain Chamber Music Festival

Burlington, VT 2018

Hampton Roads Chamber Players Camp

Norfolk, VA 2017

MASTERCLASSES

Jinjoo Cho - 2017

COACHES

CONDUCTORS

Robert Gillespie

Elizabeth Fayette - 2017

Paul Kim

Sandi Cameron - 2018

Benjamin Rous

Randall Goosby - 2023

Helen Martell

Cho-Liang Lin - 2023

Eric Jacobsen

Alexi Kenney - 2023

JoAnn Falletta

New York Phil Quartet - 2023

Thomas Wilkins

Margaret Batjer - 2024

Keith Lockhart

Jennifer Frautschi - 2024

Chloé Van Soeterstède

Benjamin Beilman - 2024

Mei-Ann Chen

Gil Shaham - 2025

Mark Gibson

Maria Ioudenitch - 2025

Stephanie Childress

Rita Sloan - 2025

Jeffrey Kahane

Pacifica Quartet - 2025	Jennifer Frautschi Vahn Armstrong Jorge Aguirre Austin Hartman	Aik Khai Pung Isaac Selya Melisse Brunet Andres Lopera William R. Langley Constantine Kitsopoulos Fawzi Haimor
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PRINCIPAL TEACHERS

Pavel Ilyashov; 2014-2021
 Yun Zhang; 2020-201
 Dr. Won-Bin Yim; 2021-2025
 Grigory Kalinovsky; 2025-present

ORCHESTRAL EXPERIENCE

Terre Haute Symphony Orchestra, substitute, <i>Terre Haute, IN</i>	2025-present
Lexington Philharmonic, Section Violin, <i>Lexington, KY</i>	2025-present
Columbus Indiana Philharmonic, Assistant Principal 2nd Violin, <i>Columbus, IN</i>	2025-present
Carmel Symphony Orchestra, substitute, <i>Carmel, IN</i>	2025-present
New World Symphony, sub list, <i>Miami, FL</i>	2025-present
Dayton Philharmonic, substitute, <i>Dayton, OH</i>	2025-present
CCM Philharmonia, Assistant Concertmaster, <i>Cincinnati, OH</i>	2023-2024
Richmond (IN) Symphony Orchestra, substitute, <i>Richmond, IN</i>	2023-present
1 year contracted positions, 2024-2025; 2025-2026	
Kentucky Symphony Orchestra, substitute, <i>Newport, KY</i>	2023-2024
Virginia Symphony Orchestra, substitute, <i>Norfolk, VA</i>	2022-present

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Stafford Music Academy	Violin and Piano Teacher	Bloomington, IN	2025-present
Taught private students in the studies of piano and violin			
Organized lesson material to consist of a balance in technique and musicality			

Cincinnati Strings	Violin and Piano Teacher	Cincinnati, OH	2023-2025
Traveled to student's homes to teach violin and piano lessons at their residence			
Structured lessons to consist of review and new material every week			

Registered Suzuki Instructor with the Suzuki Association of the Americas (SAA) in Violin Books 1-3

LEADERSHIP

Violin Society at CCM (treasurer)	2023-2025
Organized the finances and funding requests for the club	
Met with the advisor of the organization frequently to discuss plans for masterclasses	
Worked directly with the University of Cincinnati to put together meetings and special events	
Chi Alpha Christian Fellowship at UC (student leader)	2022-2025
Held weekly bible studies with girls on campus	
Organized events for meeting people and helped with Welcome Week activities	
Met up with girls one-on-one to help disciple and mentor them consistently	

COMPETITIONS AND AWARDS

Winner - Bay Youth Concert Orchestra Concerto - February 2014

Winner - York River Symphony Orchestra Young Artist Concerto Competition - March 2017

Winner - Hampton Roads Philharmonic - May 2017

All-VA Orchestra - February 2018; 6th Chair

Winner - Bay Youth Symphony Orchestra Concerto Competition - Fall 2018

Winner - Hampton Roads Philharmonic Young Artist Competition - Fall 2018

Winner - Omega Psi Phi Fraternity Gamma Xi Chapter Talent Hunt - March 2019

Winner - Lions of Virginia Bland Music Scholarship Competition (Chapter level—February 2020, Sub-District Level - July 2020, 2nd place at State Level - \$2000 College Scholarship - August 2020)

Concertmaster - All-VA Orchestra - February 2020

Winner - Bay Youth Symphony Orchestra Concerto Competition - Fall 2020

Winner - CCM Violin Competition - February 2022

Winner - CCM Violin Competition - February 2024

Honorable Mention - Matinee Musicale Nancy Walker Scholarship Competition - March 2024

1st Place Winner - Matinee Musicale Nancy Walker Scholarship Competition - March 2025

Winner - Jan and Beattie Wood Concerto Competition - July 2025

CONCERTO PERFORMANCES

Performed *Scene de Ballet* by de Beriot with the Bay Youth Concert Orchestra in February 2014

Performed *Wieniawski Violin Concerto No. 2 1st movement* with the York River Symphony Orchestra in March 2017

Performed *Wieniawski Violin Concerto No. 2 1st movement* with the Hampton Roads Philharmonic on May 21, 2017

Performed *Tchaikovsky Violin Concerto Op. 35 3rd movement* with the Bay Youth Symphony Orchestra on February 12, 2019

Performed *Tchaikovsky Violin Concerto Op. 35 3rd movement* with the Hampton Roads Philharmonic in March 2019

Performed *Prokofiev Violin Concerto No. 2 in G minor 1st movement* with the Bay Youth Symphony Orchestra on June 2, 2021

Performed *Rimsky-Korsakov Fantasia on a Russian Theme* with the CCM Concert Orchestra on March 8, 2022

Performed *Korngold's Violin Concerto in D major Op. 35* with the CCM Concert Orchestra on March 5, 2024

Performed *Barber Violin Concerto Op. 14 1st movement* with the Brevard Music Center Orchestra on July 27, 2025

RECITALS

Performed at Terrific Teen Talent Recital in Smithfield, VA in August 2018 (Sponsored by Sundays at Four) - *Bach Sarabande from Partita No. 2; Tchaikovsky Concerto in D Major 3rd movement*

Performed a solo recital consisting of works by *Lalo, J.S. Bach, Beethoven and Ravel* at Mount Auburn Presbyterian Church in Cincinnati, OH on April 15, 2022 and at Virginia Beach United Methodist Church in Virginia Beach, VA on May 13, 2022.

Performed a recital consisting of works by *J.S. Bach and Mendelssohn* at Church of Our Savior in Cincinnati, OH on November 19, 2022

Performed a solo recital consisting of works by *Bruch, Lutoslawski, and Sarasate* at Church of Our Savior in Cincinnati, OH on April 10, 2023

Performed a solo recital consisting of works by *Korngold and Brahms* in Werner Recital Hall in Cincinnati, OH on December 1, 2023

Performed a solo recital consisting of works by *Bruch and Schubert* in Watson Hall in Cincinnati, OH on October 23, 2024

Performed *Ravel Tzigane M. 76* at the Matinee Musicale Scholarship Winner Luncheon on April 16, 2025

CHAMBER RECITALS

Performed in a chamber recital featuring works by *Debussy* in 3250 at CCM in Cincinnati, OH on November 30, 2022

Performed in a chamber recital featuring works by *Schoenfield* in Werner Recital Hall in Cincinnati, OH on November 8, 2023

Performed in a chamber recital featuring works by *Ravel and Brahms* in Werner Recital Hall in Cincinnati, OH on November 9, 2023

Performed in a chamber recital featuring works by *Brahms* in Watson Recital Hall in Cincinnati, OH on December 3, 2024

Performed in a chamber recital featuring works by *Coleridge-Taylor and Mozart* in Werner Recital Hall in Cincinnati, OH on April 1, 2025

Performed a senior chamber recital consisting of works by *Barber, Donizetti, Renie, Dohnanyi and Sarasate* in 3250 at CCM in Cincinnati, OH on April 15, 2025

NEW MUSIC

<i>In Memoriam</i>	Andrew Strawn	commissioned for my string quartet	October 24, 2023
<i>Folk Song</i>	Andrew Strawn	commissioned by myself and Emma Joyce	April 9, 2024
<i>BE STILL</i>	Andrew Strawn	commissioned by Celeste Lau	April 20, 2025
<i>String Trio in E</i>	R. Burtner	New Music Ensemble Work Study at BMC	August 1, 2025
<i>III Eventide</i>	Chris Chiarotti	New Music Ensemble Work Study at BMC	August 1, 2025

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Suzuki Association of the Americas (SAA)	Member	2024-present
American Federation of Musicians (AFM)	Member	2025-present

RECORDING PROJECTS

<i>Crow Heist</i> - Brenden Wood	Video Game scoring session	Fall 2025
Violin ensemble role/Solo Violin role		
<i>Hal Leonard Publishing Company</i>	String arrangements for school catalogue	Fall 2025

OTHER WORK EXPERIENCE

City Six Strings	Freelance Violinist	2023-present
Performs as a violinist for weddings and other gigs as needed		
Ghent CareGivers	Part-Time and On-Call Nanny	2022-2023
Provided full time child care for children		
Followed instructions given by the parents regarding special directions for the child's care		
P. F. Changs	Hostess	2023-2025
Answered phone calls and placed take out orders		
Directed guests to their designated tables in the dining room		
Maintained a clean dining room and made sure all items were always restocked		

REFERENCES

Won-Bin Yim, Violin Professor - Former violin professor
 University of Cincinnati, College-Conservatory of Music (CCM) (retired)
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Mark Gibson, Music Director of Orchestral Studies - Former mentor and conductor

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Kristin Jutras, Suzuki Instructor - Former Suzuki Teacher Trainer
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