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## Professional Experience:

<b>Charleston Symphony Orchestra, Substitute Viola</b>	<i>2017-present</i>
<b>Mercury: The Orchestra Redefined, Substitute Viola</b>	<i>2017-present</i>
<b>Houston Symphony Orchestra, Substitute Viola</b>	<i>2016-present</i>
<b>New World Symphony, Substitute Viola</b>	<i>2016-present</i>
<b>Pennsylvania Center Orchestra, Co-Principal Viola</b>	<i>2015-2016</i>
<b>Williamsport Symphony Orchestra, Co-Principal Viola</b>	<i>2015-2016</i>
<b>Auckland Philharmonia Orchestra, Section Viola Fellow</b>	<i>2015</i>
<b>Orchestra Wellington, Section Viola</b>	<i>2013-2015</i>
<b>Royal New Zealand Ballet, Section Viola</b>	<i>2013-2015</i>
<b>New Zealand Opera, Section Viola</b>	<i>2013-2015</i>
<b>Hawke's Bay Orchestra, Section Viola</b>	<i>2012-2014</i>

### *Solo*

<b>Viola Aotearoa: The Next Generation (Studio Recording and Outreach Project)</b>	<i>2016</i>
<b>Walton Viola Concerto, Nelson Symphony Orchestra</b>	<i>2014</i>
<b>Mozart Sinfonia Concertante, Nelson Symphony Orchestra</b>	<i>2011</i>

## Education:

### *Current Status:*

<b>Rice University, Shepherd School of Music: Master of Music, Viola Performance</b>	<i>2016-2018</i>
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### *Completed Degrees:*

<b>Pennsylvania State University, Professional Performance Certificate</b>	<i>2015-2016</i>
<b>New Zealand School of Music, Bachelor of Music with First-Class Honours</b>	<i>2011-2014</i>

## Principal Teachers:

**James Dunham**- *Professor of Viola at Rice University*  
**Timothy Deighton**- *Professor of Viola at Pennsylvania State University*  
**Gillian Ansell**- *Violist of the New Zealand String Quartet*

## Festivals, Conferences & Awards:

<b>44<sup>th</sup> International Viola Congress Performer, Wellington NZ</b>	<i>2017</i>
<b>Brown Fellowship – Rice University</b>	<i>2017-18</i>
<b>Schleswig-Holstein Music Festival Orchestra Academy</b>	<i>2017</i>
<b>Lilburn Trust Grant</b>	<i>2017</i>
<b>Dame Malvina Major Arts Excellence Award</b>	<i>2016</i>
<b>Miami Music Festival</b>	<i>2016</i>
<b>Alex Lindsay Award (New Zealand Symphony Orchestra)</b>	<i>2016</i>
<b>Recovering Forbidden Voices Conference, Wellington, NZ</b>	<i>2015</i>
<b>Aspen Music Festival</b>	<i>2014, 2015</i>
<b>Canberra International Music Festival</b>	<i>2014</i>
<b>Freemason's Lankhuyzen/Whetu-Kairangi Music Award</b>	<i>2014-2016</i>