

Jennifer Houck

Violinist

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Education

Bachelors of Music (B.M.) in Violin Performance

University of Maryland School of Music – Graduated May, 2008

Masters of Music (M.M.) in Violin Performance

Carnegie Mellon University – Graduated May, 2010

Performance Residency Program

Carnegie Mellon University – 2010-2011

Training

Principal Teachers

James Stern
Phyllis Freeman
Marjorie Bagley
Andres Cardenes

Chamber Coaches

James Stern
Cyrus Forough
Guarnari Quartet
David Salness
Katherine Murdock
Danielle Farina

Master classes

Jonathan Carney
Cavani Quartet
Elizabeth Adkins
Andrew Manze
Mimi Zweig
Elizabeth Schultz

Orchestral Experience

2006-Present: Maryland Symphony Orchestra (substitute)
2013-Present: Trinity Chamber Orchestra (concertmaster)
2012-Present: Pop Culture Strings (1st violin)
2016-Present: Mid-Atlantic Symphony Orchestra (substitute)
2012-2016: Lancaster Symphony Orchestra (substitute)
2010-2015: Wheeling Symphony, Johnstown Symphony, Westmoreland Symphony (substitute)
2008-2011: Carnegie Mellon Philharmonic (section violin)
2004-2008: University of Maryland Symphony Orchestra (section violin)
2012-Present: Freelance work in the Washington DC/Maryland area including work with the Frederick Symphony, Gourmet Symphony, Maryland Talent Education Center

Summer Institutes

2010-2011: Eastern Music Festival with Gerard Schwartz (section violin)
2008: National Repertory Orchestra with Carl Topilow (section violin)
2005-2007: National Orchestral Institute with James Ross, Director (section violin)
2005: Festival International de Campos do Jordão, Roberto Minzcuk & Kurt Masur (section viola)
2003-2004: Encore School for Strings with David Updegraff and David Russell (violin)
2002: Heifetz Summer Music Institute with Shirley Givens (violin)
2001: Meadowmount with David Salness (violin)

Competitions

Thelma Gross Memorial Scholarship Competition-Junior and Senior Division (1st place)
Friday Morning Music Club Competition (Honorable Mention)
Jack Weaver Memorial Competition (5th place)
Gretchen Hood Scholarship Competition (Honorable Mention)
The Frederick Orchestra Competition (2nd place)
Optimist Club Scholarship Competition (Finalist)