

SACHIN SHUKLA, *viola*

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Education

New England Conservatory, M.M. Viola Performance

Expected June 2023

Northwestern University, B.M. Viola Performance

June 2021

Teachers

Mai Motobuchi, Borromeo String Quartet; Professor of Viola, New England Conservatory

New England Conservatory / 2021 - 2023

Helen Callus, Professor of Viola, Northwestern University

Northwestern University / 2017 - 2021

Visiting Professors

Jeffrey Irvine, Professor of Viola, Cleveland Institute of Music

Bowdoin International Music Festival / 2019

Wei-Ting Kuo, Chicago Symphony Orchestra; Professor of Viola, DePaul University

Visiting Professor at Northwestern during sabbatical / 2020

Chamber Music Teachers

Donald Palma, Professor of Bass, New England Conservatory

Milena Pajaro van de Stadt, Dover Quartet

The Dover Quartet

Steve Cohen, Professor of Clarinet, Northwestern University

Tao Lin, Visiting Professor, Shanghai Normal University

Jose Ramon Mendez, Associate Professor of Piano, Northwestern University

Yasuko Oura, Lecturer in Piano, Northwestern University

Mathias Tacke, formerly of the Vermeer Quartet

Masterclasses

Steven Dann, Professor of Viola, University of Toronto

Northwestern University Viola Studio Class / April 10, 2021

Ann-Marie Brink, Professor of Viola, DePaul University

Northwestern University Violin and Viola Pedagogy Class / February 2, 2021

Mimi Zweig, Professor of Violin, Indiana University

Northwestern University Violin and Viola Pedagogy Class / November 10, 2020

Wei-Ting Kuo, Chicago Symphony Orchestra / Professor of Viola, DePaul University

Northwestern University Viola Studio Class / November 10, 2020

Orchestral Experience

Boston Philharmonic Orchestra

September 2021 - present

New England Conservatory Philharmonia

September 2021 - present

Civic Orchestra of Chicago, Associate Member

September 2020 - August 2021

Northwestern University Contemporary Music Ensemble

September 2020 - December 2020

Northwestern University Symphony Orchestra

September 2018 - February 2020, January 2021 - June 2021

Northwestern University Opera Orchestra

February 2019, February 2020

Northwestern University Chamber Orchestra, *Principal*

September 2017 - June 2018

Teaching Experience

The Village Music School, Violin Instructor

November 2021 - present

Teach weekly group classes to beginning K-3 violin students at Henry T. Grew Elementary School. Duties include devising and delivering culturally relevant and age-appropriate curriculum to meet needs of students of different ages, genders, races, and religions.

Powers Music School, Viola Instructor

October 2021 - present

Teach weekly beginning viola group classes to students in Belmont Public Schools grades 4-5.

Teach weekly private lessons to beginning and intermediate viola students.

Regularly communicate with school orchestra teachers to synchronize curriculum with in-school progress and balance the needs of students of a variety of different skill levels.

Traveling Music Lessons, Violin/Viola Teacher

September 2021 - present

Provide weekly in-home lessons to beginning child and adult violin students.

Regularly communicate and schedule lessons with student/parents, including weekly practice schedules and lesson notes sent after each lesson.

Northwestern University Music Academy Strings

September 2020 - June 2021

Coached student for audition resulting in placement in highest level of the Chicago Youth Symphony Orchestra, as well as seating auditions for the CYSO and Midwest Young Arts Orchestras.

Taught weekly lessons in violin and viola to three kindergarten and high school aged students.

As part of pedagogy program, acquired proficiency with the teaching methods of Shinichi Suzuki, Paul Rolland, and Mimi Zweig.

Evanston Young Artists

January 2019 - June 2019

Taught lessons and group classes to underprivileged elementary and middle school students in the Evanston area.

Private Viola Studio

July 2018 - December 2018

Taught viola to a single intermediate level private student.

Competitions/Awards

David Dalton Viola Research Competition

First Prize / 2021

Northwestern University Viola Prize

First Prize / 2021

Society of American Musicians Viola Competition

Second Place, Senior Division / 2019

ILASTA Concerto Competition

Third Place, Viola Division / 2018

Festivals

Texas Music Festival (canceled due to COVID-19 Pandemic)

Houston, TX / 2020

Bowdoin International Music Festival

Brunswick, ME / 2019

Cazenovia Counterpoint

Cazenovia, NY / 2013 - 2019

Performances

Roslindale Porchfest

Roslindale, MA / September 25, 2021

Jamaica Plain Porchfest

Jamaica Plain, MA / August 21, 2021

Senior Degree Recital

Masterclass Room, Northwestern University / Evanston, IL / June 1, 2021

Cazenovia Counterpoint, Rising Stars Concert

St. Peter's Episcopal Church / Cazenovia, NY / July 17, 2019

Premiered original work, "You Just Never Learned"

Bowdoin International Music Festival, Young Artist Performance

Studzinski Recital Hall, Bowdoin College / Brunswick, ME / July 9, 2019

Junior Degree Recital

McClintock Choral Recital Room, Northwestern University / Evanston, IL / November 24, 2019

Cazenovia Counterpoint, Rising Stars Concert

St. Peter's Episcopal Church / Cazenovia, NY / July 14, 2018

Premiered original work, "Night Walks"

Publications

"To Christabel: Exploring the Origins of William Walton's Viola Concerto"

Journal of the American Viola Society / forthcoming

Leadership

Northwestern University Political Union

Co-President / April 2020 - March 2021

Senior Director of Finance and Events / April 2019 - April 2020

Director of Finance / April 2018 - April 2019

- Responsible for managing executive board of 15 students in organization's mission of fostering open political discourse on campus
- Invite, communicate with, and welcome guests for public policy-related events, including leading intellectuals such as Dr. Ibram X. Kendi
- Collect data and perform analysis of event attendance and outreach strategies
- Balanced organization finances and ensured compliance with University policies
- Raised over \$8,500 in co-sponsorships and grants for NU Political Union's events

American Enterprise Institute Executive Council

Council Chair / September 2019 - present

Member / September 2018 - present

- Collaborate with the American Enterprise Institute in D.C. by planning and executing events related to public policy.
- Worked with and hosted scholars including Robert Doar, Stan Veuger, Kevin Kosar, and Karlyn Bowman.

Public Affairs Residential College

President / April 2018 - April 2019

- Managed a board of five students in programming and operations
- Fostered residential college community for Northwestern students through social and academic events
- Oversaw execution of several large scale events, including a formal and a week of intensive programming for freshman orientation

Syracuse Society for New Music

High School Board Representative / September 2014 - August 2017

- Curated several "Rising Stars" concerts, featuring music by local high-school and collegiate composers.
- Attended regular board meetings concerning the functioning and programming of the Society for New Music.

Experience

Nicholas D. Chabraja Center for Historical Studies, Leopold Fellowship

Research Assistant to Ajay K. Mehrotra / June 2020 to date

- Conducted primary source research and literature reviews on the history of fiscal policy in America, with a focus on the congressional politics surrounding it in the 1920s.
- Wrote policy memos on topics such as the passage of sales tax proposals through Congress, which were ultimately consulted as part of the team's broader academic historical research.

Institute for Policy Research Summer Undergraduate Research Assistantship Program

Research Assistant to Diane Schanzenbach / June 2020 - September 2020

- Wrote policy memos and conducted data analysis on Illinois budget and fiscal policy for Illinoisian state representative.
- Conducted an extensive literature review on the development and market importance of non-cognitive skills and socio-emotional development, for a volume commissioned by AEI.
- Designed graphics for research article on the Earned Income Tax Credit and created an Excel program calculating income after EITC from 1975 to the present.

Honors

Dean's Scholarship, New England Conservatory

Fall 2021 - present

Dean's List, Northwestern University

Fall 2017 - Spring 2021

Summer Honors Program, American Enterprise Institute

June 2019

Music Scholarship, Bienen School of Music, Northwestern University

2017 - 2021

Skills

HTML and CSS: Proficient

Javascript: Working Knowledge

WordPress: Proficient

Examples of my web design work can be found at sachinshukla.com, nuviolastudio.com, and northwesternstrings.com.

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