

CHELSEA RENEE WHITTAKER, VIOLINIST RESUME

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TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2011- present

Ms. Chelsea's Violin Studio, Boone and Greensboro NC

Owner, Instructor

- Taught students of all experience levels ages 4-78, including students with learning disabilities
- Included parents and family members as part of the lesson, instructed them on how to aid their child/children in practice at home, create a conducive environment for practicing, and support their violinist's musical education and enjoyment of music
- Used the Suzuki method to teach all students from beginner to intermediate levels (books 1-6); after which taught from standard violin repertoire with a maintained emphasis on ear training
- Prepared students for regular recitals, school performances, and auditions
- Promoted and grew my business from one student to more than thirty, with additional students on a waiting list
- Set rates and policies in regards to payment, collected all monies owed, maintained all book-keeping and financial records
- Responded to all phone calls, emails, and messages from current students as well as prospective students/inquiries
- Set guidelines for scheduling and created monthly schedules, while successfully incorporating requests to re-schedule a lesson to suit the student's and family's needs
- Created my own methods, literature, and teaching materials that represent my teaching philosophy

2016-2017

Watauga High School, Boone, NC

Guest Instructor

- Assisted the orchestra director in leading violin sectionals and coaching string quartets

2015-2016

Appalachian State University Community Music School, Boone, NC

Instructor of Violin

2011

Cannon Music Camp, Boone, NC

Adjunct Violin Instructor

2011

Appalachian Classical Music Association, Elizabethton, TN

Guest Clinician

EDUCATION

2010-2012

Appalachian State University, Boone, NC

Master of Music in Violin Performance

2006-2010

Appalachian State University, Boone NC

Bachelor of Music in Violin Performance

2004-2006

North Carolina School of the Arts in Winston-Salem, NC

High School Diploma

AWARDS AND HONORS

2010-2011

Violin Assistantship with the Hayes String Quartet at Appalachian State University

2010-2011

Whitener Memorial Orchestral Scholarship

2010

Invited by the Dean to perform as a soloist for the Hayes School of Music Commencement ceremony

2006-2010

Dorothy F. Thomas Music Scholarship, Appalachian State University

2008-2009

Liberace String Quartet Scholarship, Appalachian State University

2007-2010

Guest Artist with the Guitar Ensemble, Appalachian State University

2006-2010

The Dean's List, Appalachian State University

ADDITIONAL INSTRUMENTS

Piano, Voice, Acoustic Guitar, Baroque Violin, Rebec, Electric Violin, Treble Viola da Gamba, Ukelele