

**Rainey Kristin Weber, *Musician, Educator***

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## **Education**

**Cleveland Institute of Music; MM in Viola Performance, 2014**  
**Rice University; BM in Viola Performance, *Magna Cum Laude*, 2011**  
**High School for the Performing and Visual Arts, Houston, TX, 2007**

## **Performance Experience**

**Carya String Quartet, 2018-present**  
**Terra Nostra Ensemble, 2018-present**  
**St. Andrew's Strings, St. Andrew's Presbyterian, 2015-present**  
**The Eagles, Hotel California Tour (Houston), orchestra member, 2020**  
**The Who, world tour (Houston), orchestra member, 2019**  
**Game of Thrones Music Tour (Houston and San Antonio), orchestra member, 2017, 2019**  
**Houston Ballet Orchestra, substitute, 2018-present**  
**Theater Under the Stars, orchestra member, 2016 and 2018**  
**North Carolina Opera, Guest Principal, substitute, 2014-present**  
**Victoria Symphony Orchestra (Victoria, Texas), contracted substitute, 2014-2018**  
**"Robert Ellis" (2016 release), 2015**  
**Austin Symphony Orchestra, substitute, 2014-2016**  
**Tanglewood Music Center Orchestra, Principal (rotating), 2013**  
**Judson String Quartet, 2013-2015**  
**Firelands Symphony Orchestra, contracted section member, 2012-2014**  
**Aspen Philharmonic Orchestra, Principal/Mentor, 2012**  
**Aspen Festival Orchestra, 2010**  
**Mimir Chamber Music Festival, 2005, 2007**  
**Texas Music Festival, 2004-2007**

## **Awards and Recognitions**

**Semi-Finalist, New World Symphony, 2013, 2014, 2015**  
**Talented Students in the Arts Initiative Fellowship, Aspen Music Festival and School, 2012**

## **Teaching Experience**

### **Private Violin and Viola Teacher 2006-Present**

Teaches private violin and viola lessons at my home studio for ages 6-20. Student levels have ranged from beginner to advanced. Since 2015, I have also arranged two recitals a year and a semi-monthly studio performance class. Current retention rates are above 85%.

### **Houston Youth Symphony Melody Lesson Program, Violin/Viola Instructor 2014-present**

Teaches private violin and viola lessons to students enrolled at KIPP Sharpstown Middle School. This includes preparing students for a mid-year jury, end of year recital, and a Houston Youth Symphony audition, if appropriate.

### **Houston Youth Symphony, Viola Sectional Coach, 2017-present**

Leads viola sectionals for the Sinfonia and String Orchestra.

**Mercury Academy of Professional Musicians, Teaching Artist 2017-present**

Led sectionals and small group classes for students at area high schools, covering technique and ensemble skills. Led professional development workshops for orchestra teachers.

**Musicagiovani, Teaching Artist 2019**

Coached chamber music and orchestral students ages 5-16 at an international festival based in Majano, Italy.

**Young Audiences Houston, Teaching Artist, Group Violin Class 2014-2015**

Led a group violin class for students at Lewis Elementary (HISD, Title I), grades 3-5, all beginner.

**Interlochen Summer Arts Camp, Teaching Fellow, Quartet-in-Residence 2014**

Responsibilities included teaching private lessons for middle and high school students, coaching middle school chamber music, and, as a member of the Judson String Quartet, co-teaching a chamber music seminar for the Advanced Quartet Program (high school).

**HSPVA Summer Academy, Assistant Orchestra Instructor, 2011**

Worked with students in smaller groups to solve technical and ensemble issues within individual string sections.

**Community Engagement**

**Carya String Quartet, 2018-present**

**Houston Viola Society, President, 2019-2023, Board Member, 2016-present**

**Da Camera Young Artist Program, Young Artist 2017-2018, Fellow, 2018-2019**

**Sykora Educational Outreach Concerts Grant Recipient, 2012-2013, 2013-2014**

**Sviatoslav Richter Outreach Grant Recipient, 2009-2010, 2010-2011**

**JUMP educational concerts, Shepherd School of Music, 2008-2011**

**References**

Provided on request