

## Meet Our Founder

Monica Sirocchi is the Founder and Executive Director of Strings Con Brio, and a violinist in the ensemble. She holds a Masters of Nonprofit Management, Bachelors of Science in Health Science with a concentration in Health Services Administration, and a minor in music, completing over 40 credit hours in voice, violin, piano, and music theory.

Her professional experiences have included roles in healthcare, education, business, and work with nonprofit organizations. Monica has interests in music education, and is the owner of Impara SRQ, where she provides music lessons to

beginning students and adults. She has worked with students in various capacities since 2008, and has been a member of the Music Teachers National Association (MTNA), the American String Teachers Association (ASTA), the National Association for Music Education (NAfME), and the Performing Arts Medicine Association (PAMA).

Monica incorporated Strings Con Brio as a nonprofit in the fall of 2015, and received 501(c)(3) designation in early 2016. The organization began with providing collaborative performances for events in the community as small ensembles, and now performs as conducted orchestra with over 65 members in season.

Prior to incorporating Strings Con Brio, Monica coordinated collaborative performances of students and alumni of State College of Florida, and conducted a string ensemble under the guidance of Maestro Kenneth Bowermeister, through a local chapter of MTNA. She resides in Sarasota, and has served on the board of directors for various nonprofit organizations since 2010.

