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# RACHEL ALEXANDER

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## PROFILE

As a passionate and dedicated music educator, it is my objective to cultivate positive relationships with my students through music. Through our time together, we are creating a safe atmosphere where each student can fully express themselves. My hope is that I am not only helping to create budding musicians, music lovers and future patrons of the arts, but also better human beings.

## EXPERIENCE

SUBSTITUTE ORCHESTRA INSTRUCTOR, MASTERS SCHOOL,  
DOBBS FERRY, NY – FEBRUARY 2024-PRESENT

I conduct the string/chamber orchestras and implement lesson plans created by the head instructor. I also aid in rehearsing the various sections of the ensemble.

VIOLIN/VIOLA INSTRUCTOR, RACHEL ALEXANDER PRIVATE STRING STUDIO,  
OSSINING, NY – JUNE 2014-PRESENT

I provide tailored private instruction for both violin and viola students in my home studio. Lessons may include technique, music from the standard repertoire and audition preparation. As founder and director of The Singing Strings Ensemble, I conduct weekly coaching sessions throughout the year. Performance opportunities within the Upper Westchester community are made available to all students and ensembles. Students range in age and level.

VIOLIN/VIOLA INSTRUCTOR, LARCHMONT MUSIC ACADEMY,  
LARCHMONT, NY – SEPTEMBER 2009-JUNE 2017

At Larchmont Music Academy, I provided private instruction for both violin and viola students. I had weekly coaching sessions with small chamber ensembles and assisted with the Academy String Choir. My students ranged in age from four years old through high school.

VIOLIN/VIOLA INSTRUCTOR, RIVERARTS TOWN COUNCIL,  
DOBBS FERRY, NY – OCTOBER 2008-JUNE 2014

At RiverArts, I provided private instruction for both the violin and the viola. In each private lesson, we practiced technique building, solo repertoire and audition preparation. My students ranged from elementary age through high school.

HEAD OF STRINGS DEPARTMENT, THE FAMILY SCHOOLS-MONTESSORI,  
NY, NY – OCTOBER 2009-JUNE 2011

I administered customized group lessons for beginner students, ages four through twelve. Daily responsibilities included the maintenance of all equipment including violins, bows and strings. Personalized student report cards were created and provided to school administration.

## EDUCATION

Hunter college, NY, NY – Masters of Music Education, 2008

SUNY Purchase Conservatory of Music – Bachelors Degree, Violin Performance, 2006

## STUDENT TEACHING

Hunter College High School and Elementary School, 2008

## SKILLS

NYSSMA, All-County and All-State Preparation

Youth Orchestra Audition and Concert Preparation

Chamber Music and Orchestra Coaching, I. e.: Greater Westchester Youth Orchestra (GWYOA) & The Masters School Orchestra (Dobbs Ferry, NY), Nov. 2023

Technique Advancement and Solo Repertoire

Age Appropriate Curriculum Development, I.e.: Intro to the Violin, Briarcliff Nursery School, Nov. 2023

## CERTIFICATIONS & MEMBERSHIPS

NYSSMA Adjudicator, April 2023

American String Teachers Association Member

Founding teacher of The Royal Academy Music Development Program

The O'Connor Method Certification

The Starling-Delay Violin Symposium Participant, The Juilliard School 2017, 2021, 2023