

Yvonne Smith, viola



Academic Study

Rice University Shepherd School of Music, MM, Viola Performance, 2013-2015

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Private Study

James Dunham, 2009 to 2015, Houston, TX

Joan DerHovsepian, 2012-2013, Houston, TX (orchestral excerpts)

Miles Hoffman, 2006 to 2007, Baltimore, MD

Alice Young, 2004 to 2009, Baltimore, MD

Professional Performance Experience

Contracted Musician, Houston Symphony, 2021-2022

Viola, Lyra Baroque Orchestra, 2021-present

Viola, American Bach Soloists, 2018- present

Viola, Ars Lyrica Houston, 2017- present

Substitute Viola, Houston Symphony, 2017- present

Substitute Viola, Grant Park Orchestra, 2017- present

Viola, Artistic Director, Founder, La Speranza, 2016- present

Substitute Viola, Houston Ballet, 2016- present

Substitute Viola, Houston Grand Opera, 2016- present

Viola, La Follia Austin Baroque, 2016- present

Viola, Bach Society Houston, 2014- present

Acting Principal Viola, Mercury Chamber Orchestra, 2017- 2018

Viola, Chamber Orchestra of San Antonio, 2016- 2017

Viola, Mercury Chamber Orchestra, 2015- 2019

Teaching Experience

Viola Teacher, Tallowood Academy of Fine Arts, 2016- present (ages 8-17)

Private Violin/Viola Teacher, 2012- present (ages 8-50)

Master Class and Workshop Teacher, various Houston-area schools, 2011-present

Guest Lecturer, University of St. Thomas Music Appreciation class, 2019

Violin Teacher, Hope Stone, 2018-2020

Interim Community-Embedded Musician, Houston Symphony, 2018