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Education

2007	Boston University College of Fine Arts <i>Doctor of Musical Arts, Cello Performance Deans Scholar</i> Rhonda Rider; Leslie Parnas, teachers	Boston, MA
2002	Boston University College of Fine Arts <i>Master of Music, Cello Performance</i> Michael Reynolds, teacher	Boston, MA
2000	The Boston Conservatory Rhonda Rider, teacher	Boston, MA
1998	Oberlin Conservatory & College <i>Bachelor of Arts, Cello Performance</i> Andor Toth; Peter Rejto, teachers	Oberlin, OH
1993	Ithaca College School of Music	Ithaca, NY

Education: Workshops & Chamber Music Festivals

2013	New Directions Cello Festival Eugene Friesen; Michael Block; Stephen Katz	Ithaca, NY
2009	International Baroque Institute at Longy Phoebe Carrai	Cambridge, MA
2009	Chamber Music America National conference	New York, NY
2004	Brevard Advanced Chamber Music <i>Phoenix Piano Trio</i> - weekly chamber music performances	Brevard, NC
2004	Lydian String Quartet Chamber Music Workshop One week string quartet intensive; daily coaching	Waltham, MA
2003	Project Guggenheim's <i>Art of Compassion in a Time of War</i> <i>Novalis Chamber Players</i> - performed at Boston Center for the Arts	Boston, MA
2003	Music from Salem Chamber Music Festival <i>Novalis Chamber Players</i> - daily coaching; masterclasses; rehearsals; performance	Salem, NY
2001	Hampden-Sydney Music Festival Full fellowship – coaching by Charles Castleman, Shanghai String Quartet, Ethane Sloane	Hampden-Sydney, VA
2000	String Fling, Berklee College of Music String Improvisation Seminar - Turtle Island String Quartet, Eugene Friesen, Matt Glaser	Boston, MA
1997	Oberlin in Cassalmaggiore Chamber Music Festival	Cassalmaggiore, Italy
1992	Boston University Tanglewood Institute	Lenox, MA

Teaching Experience

2014 July	Interharmony International Music Festival <i>Artist Faculty-Teach private cello, coach chamber music, workshop in improvisation</i>	Arcidosso, Italy
2014	Smith College <i>Adjunct Faculty</i>	Northampton, MA
2010 - 2015, 2001 - 2007	All Newton Music School <i>Faculty - Teach private cello lessons to children & adults</i>	Newton, MA
2007 – 2010	Montana State University School of Music <i>Adjunct Assistant Professor</i>	Bozeman, MT

Courses taught include:

MUS 135 String Techniques

Introduces education majors to basics of beginning & intermediate technique & pedagogy

MUS 353 Introduction to Improvisation

Covers beginning improvisation techniques, from freestyle to Baroque grounds & ornaments, basic modal Jazz & Blues

MUS 355 Cello Ensemble

Rigorous performing ensemble for advanced cellists - teaches ensemble skills & explore a variety of styles

MUS 160, 260, 360, 460 Applied Cello

Private lessons in cello performance covering standard repertoire, etudes, advanced technique, & versatile musicality

MUS 356 Chamber Music

Weekly coaching of string-based chamber music groups

MUS 440 String Pedagogy

In-depth study of prominent pedagogues, alternative educational approaches, & performance-enhancement skills

MUS 101 Enjoyment of Music

Core course introduces non-music majors to western art music, through active listening skills & historical context

Guest Clinics /Masterclasses /Workshops

2005-2015	Interharmony International Festival Hawthorne Valley School Hartsbrook Waldorf School Yamaha School Circle of Learning Montessori School Corvallis School	Arcidosso, Italy Harlemville, NY Hadley, MA Phuket, Thailand Bozeman, MT Corvallis, MT
2008	Montana Chamber Music Workshop <i>Chamber Music Coach</i> Adult amateurs & music students	Bozeman, MT
2003	Boston University College of Fine Arts, String Department <i>Teaching Assistant</i> Private lessons to violin, viola, & cello performance majors	Boston, MA
2001	Belvoir Terrace, Fine & Performing Arts Camp for Girls <i>Faculty-Private & group cello lessons, chamber music coaching for children</i>	Lenox, MA
1999-2008	Private Lessons & Masterclasses <i>Private Teacher-adults & college students</i>	
1996-1998	Oberlin Conservatory <i>Private Teacher- children & college students</i>	Oberlin, OH

Entrepreneur /Management

- 2016- Ashfield Cultural Council
Voting Member
- 2010-present Becsta Records
Owner; Publicist; Performer; Sales Person
- 2011-2013 Valley Classics Concert Series
Artistic/Executive Director; Publicist; Performer
- 2011-2012 Trio Lumiere with Pei-Yeh Tsai; Klaudia Szlachta
Booking Agent; Tour manager; Publicist; Cellist
- 2006-09 Phoenix Trio with Michael Djupstrom; Lara Hall
Booking Agent; Tour manager; Publicist; Cellist
- 2001-2007 Henrietta Reiss Award
Committee Member

Recordings /Publications

- 2014 CD Release "Light & Shadow: Rachmaninov & Poulenc Sonatas" with pianist Alys Terrien-Queen
Radio play on WFCR Classical Music program
Reviewed in *Boston Musical Intelligencer*; *American Record Guide*
- 2011 April "The Merits of Approaching a Challenging New Work", *Strings Magazine*
- 2011 Spring "International Roots: Cellist Rebecca Hartka's Debut Album 'Folkfire'", *Lilipoh Magazine*
- 2010 Debut solo CD release, "Folkfire" with pianist Azusa Komiyama
Radio play on WFCR Classical Music program; WAMC Performance Place
Reviewed in *Strad*; *Strings*; *American Record Guide*

Solo /Chamber Performance (selected)

- 2016 Saugerties Pro Musica Saugerties, NY
Duo recital with pianist Inesa Sinkevych
- Dweck Center for Contemporary Culture Brooklyn, NY
Duo recital with pianist Inesa Sinkevych
- North Hall Arts Festival Huntington, MA
Duo recital with guitarist Jose Lezcano
- New England Guitar Ensembles Festival Cambridge, MA
Boston premier with guitarist Jose Lezcano
- 2015 Columbia University St Pauls Concert Series with pianist Inesa Sinkevych Manhattan, NY
Duo recital
- Flutistry of Boston Boston, MA
Reve D'Amour Ensemble
- Frederick Historic Piano Collection Concerts with pianist Alys Terrien-Queen Ashburnham, MA
Duo recital
- 2014 Interharmony Festival Arcidosso, Italy
Solo; mixed chamber ensemble
- Classics in the Woods with Alys Terrien-Queen Wendell, MA
Duo recital
- French Cultural Center of Boston Reve D'Amour Ensemble Boston, MA
French program
- 2013 Amherst College Copeland Colloquium Faculty Collaborations Amherst, MA
With Amherst College Faculty-Crumb *Black Angels*; Reich *Different Trains*

Solo /Chamber Performance (selected) continued

2013	Wistaria Chamber Music Society String Quartet; mixed chamber ensemble	Greenfield, MA
	Concerts at 7 Solo; mixed chamber music ensemble	Plainfield, MA
2012	Sunbridge College Lecture recital	Spring Valley, NY
	Berklee Bleep Blop, Berklee College of Music World Premiere of works by Ramon Castillo & PoChun Wang	Boston, MA
	Classics @ The Pushkin Artistic Director of performance series	Greenfield, MA
	Tufts University Goddard Chapel Noontime Concerts Chamber music performance	Medford, MA
	Brookline Public Library BLMA Concerts World Premiere of "...on top of frosted hill", by Anthony Green	Brookline, MA
2011	Newton Free Library Concert Series Duo recital	Newton, MA
	1794 Meeting House Concert Series Duo recital	New Salem, MA
	Crane School of Music, SUNY Potsdam Performance with Eastman Trianna	Potsdam, NY
	Dweck Center for Contemporary Culture, Brooklyn Public Library Lecture recital	Brooklyn, NY
2010	1794 Meeting House Concert Series Duo recital	New Salem, MA
	Exploring the Arts Series, Bozeman Public Library Duo recital	Bozeman, MT
	Vaughan Williams Festival, Montana State University Chamber music performance	Bozeman, MT
2009	Solo Concertos, Recitals in Vietnam, Thailand & Singapore United States Embassy, Hanoi, Vietnam	Southeast Asia
	Jazz & More Series, Bozeman Public Library Interview & recital performance	Bozeman, MT
	88 Keys Series Duo recital	Ghent, NY
	Exploring the Arts Series, Bozeman Public Library Conversational solo recital	Bozeman, MT
	Mendelssohn in Montana Festival, Montana State University Chamber music performance	Bozeman, MT
	Presidents Fine Arts Series, Montana State University Chamber Music Performance	Bozeman, MT
2004 - 09	Phoenix Trio Grant-funded concert series, program development, performing, tour managing	Boston, MA

Solo /Chamber Performance (selected) continued

2008	Exploring the Arts Series, Bozeman Public Library Duo recital	Bozeman, MT
2006	Serenata Chamber Musicians Multiple chamber music performances	Somerville, MA
2005	Hyperprism: Boston College Contemporary Music Ensemble Chamber music performance	Boston, MA
	SAPAS Performing Arts Series Chamber music performance	Wellesley, MA

Orchestral /Crossover Performance (selected)

2012-2015	Springfield Symphony <i>Substitute</i>	Springfield, MA
2013	Berkshire Choral Festival <i>Assistant Principal Cellist</i>	Sheffield, MA
2008	Montana State University Symphony Orchestra <i>Guest Soloist – Saint-Saens Cello concerto in a minor</i>	Bozeman, MT
2008	Intermountain Opera Company <i>Assistant Principal Cellist</i>	Bozeman, MT
2008	MultiMedia Concert Series Multimedia work for cello, recording, & photographs	Bozeman, MT
2007-2008	Bozeman Symphony Orchestra <i>Assistant Principal Cellist</i>	Bozeman, MT
1998-2008	Freelance performance, East & West Coast Meritage Quartet; Cape Ann Symphony, Quincy Chorale Society, Fringe Festival	
2005-2006	Collaborative song arrangement & performance With Jenna Nichols: Club Passim, Cambridge, MA; Rockwood Music Club, NYC	
2002	March Hare Dance Festival Collaborative performance with dancers from Stockbridge Recreational Center	Lenox, MA
2001	Preston Productions Central performer for ADC Broadband demo video	Marlborough, MA
2000	String Fling, Berklee College of Music String Improvisation-Turtle Island string Quartet; Eugene Friesen; Matt Glaser	Boston, MA
1999	Spiral Dance Festival Soloist for live audience of 3,000 - celtic, unaccompanied Bach, improvisation	San Francisco, CA

Awards /Fellowships

- 2014, 2013** **Avaloch Farm Music Institute**
Full fellowship
- 2013** **New England International Chamber Music Ensemble Competition**
Semi Finalist with Trio Lumiere
- 2008** **Montana Council for the Arts**
Professional Development
- 2007** **Pi Kappa Lambda Honor Society**
Elected Member
- 2005** **Brookline Community Fund Tercentennial Fund**
Grant Recipient
- 2004** **Brevard Advanced Chamber Music**
Fellowship Recipient
- 2001-2006** **Boston University College of Fine Arts**
Deans Scholar Award Recipient /Performance Award Recipient
- 2003** **Boston University College of Fine Arts**
Teaching Assistant
- 1993** **Henrietta Reiss Award**
Award Recipient