

Maya de Forest

Violin Teacher

B.Mus. in Performance, McGill University



Maya began her violin studies at age 3 in Winnipeg, and developed as a musician under the guidance of Donna Grescoe and the summer Gifted Youth Programs at the Banff Centre. She went on to receive her Bachelor of Music in Performance from McGill University studying with Mauricio Fuks.

A working musician for over 25 years, Maya has been a member of various ensembles including the Kyoto Symphony Orchestra, the National Ballet of Canada Orchestra, the Vancouver Symphony Orchestra and currently, the Manitoba Chamber Orchestra.

With 15 years of teaching experience behind her, Maya enjoys working with students of all ages, young and adult students alike, while considering each individual students' needs, learning styles and goals. Maya has taken pedagogy sessions with renowned Indiana University professor Mimi Zweig and uses her simple and non-judgmental approach to teaching the violin and believes in an openly engaged and supportive approach to teaching. Maya is able to teach an extensive range of repertoire, from beginner to advanced.

Maya is an advocate of musical outreach education, and continues teaching group fiddle classes in various elementary schools where she has had experience working with E.S.L., extremely shy and learning disabled students.

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