
[Student Name]

Phone: [Phone Number]

[Email Address]

EDUCATION

Special Music School at Kaufman Music Center — 99.14 GPA

September 2022–present

(4.0)

Advanced Regents Diploma, NYC Endorsed Arts Concentration: Music

- Notable Coursework: AP Biology, AP Physics, AP Calculus AB, AP English Language & Composition, AP English Literature & Composition, AP United States History, AP United States Government & Politics, AP Music Theory

MUSICAL INSTRUCTION

Carol Rodland, The Juilliard School

September 2024–present

Viktor Basis, Kaufman Music Center

September 2015–May 2024

SCHOLARSHIPS & AWARDS

National \$10,000 Jack Kent Cooke Young Artist Award

2026

National YoungArts Award, Classical Music / Viola

2026

National Medal of the Scholastic Art & Writing Awards

2026

1st Place, Columbia Scholastic Press Association Gold Circle Award

2026

Oxford Philharmonic Orchestra Outstanding Young Musician

2024

POSITIONS & AFFILIATIONS

Director of Global Operations at the Back to BACH Project

September 2024–present

- Leading expansion of the world's largest student-run music and arts accessibility organization; founded first-ever European chapter in Catalonia and led free concerts across Spain for children and undocumented refugees; grew project to 200+ events, 80+ regions, and 700 members.

Violist & Full Merit Scholar of the Juilliard Pre-College

September 2024–present

- Studied viola performance, music theory, ear training, and orchestral repertoire across five academic/performance classes and 400+ hrs at Juilliard. Worked with top American conductors in the Juilliard Pre-College Orchestra to premiere several new compositions; awarded \$32,000 in merit scholarships and held 4.0 GPA.

Violist of the New York Youth Symphony

September 2023–May 2025

- Violist of the first-ever Grammy®-winning / Billboard #1 youth orchestra, performing 6x at Carnegie Hall and premiering eight new compositions with soloists including Augustin Hadelich and Clayton Stephenson. Awarded orchestra's national Access Fund for financially challenged musicians; selected to perform as first stand in orchestral Greece tour performances; and featured on CBS News for artistic leadership.

Co-President & Grade Representative, Special Music School Student Government

September 2022–present

- Founded school out-lunch program in freshman year, worked with NYC Mayor's office for structural upgrades, and increased communication with student body post-COVID-19. Enabled 5 Flea Market, extensively planned Teacher Appreciation Week for ~20 teachers, executed 12+ bake sales, and set up

school-wide voter registration stations to write to the Supreme Court. Selected to present at the New-York Historical Society on Civics for All.

Founder & Co-Editor-in-Chief of *Ragtime* Student Newspaper **October 2023–present**

- Led 35 writers publishing 90,000+ words per year for 5 Title I schools via print, website, and podcast. Commissioned 15+ artworks and 100+ photographs through 5+ issues per year, interviewing both teachers and students. Brought first-ever journalism elective class to SMSHS, training professional-level reporting and editing.

Captain & Varsity Debater of the Special Music School Debate Team **September 2022–present**

- Debated 4 years Public Forum Varsity, led team to 15+ regional titles, coached 30+ members on national/city topics across 140 free afterschool lessons.

President of SMS Hydroponics Food Justice Club **October 2023–present**

- Led urban farm producing 10,000+ lbs per year for cafeterias & food pantries, directed youth recipe project on heritage and food equity, opened four conferences on food deserts.

National *From the Top* Learning & Media Lab Fellow **October 2025–present**

- Selected from nationwide competition for PBS & NPR's *From the Top* radio show and a prestigious leadership program recognizing exceptional artistry and community impact. Collaborated with national media producers to create educational digital content broadcast on multiple platforms.

Ambassador to the Kaufman Music Center **September 2023–present**

- Representing Manhattan's largest community performing arts school at open houses, fundraisers, and in live performances at Merkin Hall. Worked with industry professionals to advance career accessibility in the arts, and was selected to perform on National Public Radio, New York Public Media, and WNYC.

Principal Violist of the Special Music School Orchestra **September 2024–present**

- Leading viola section in 150+ hours of ensemble rehearsal on works from Shostakovich to Mendelssohn to Reich. Worked with Jesse Montgomery, premiered Caroline Shaw's *Entr'acte* at Merkin Hall, and recorded Barber *Adagio for Strings*, featured on *The Violin Channel*.

NOTABLE FESTIVALS

Principal Violist & Youngest-Ever U.S. Invitee, 10th Fesztivál Akademia Budapest **2025**

- Led artists from 35 countries at the Franz Liszt Academy of Music in major cultural exchange; featured in prime global media (*The Strad*, *Gramophone*) reaching 1M+ audience.

Principal Violist, V. & VI. Prague Piano & Strings Festival **2022 & 2023**

- Selected from international applicant pool to work with award-winning professors and lead ensembles across Prague, Czech Republic.