

Rika Ikeda violinist

Professional career in classical, jazz, rock, pops and Brazilian music performances, studio recordings, theaters (musical), improvisation.

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SELECTED PERFORMANCE EXPERIENCES

Musical Theatre — Pit Orchestra, Violin Performer

The Company Theatre, Norwell, MA

2014 - 2020

Theatre By The Sea, South Kingstown, RI

2012 - 2017

Jazz / World / Pops

Jazz / Brazilian Band "Racha Fora", Boston MA, NYC and Japan

2010 - 2020

- Invited by Tokyo Jazz Festival 2016, Japan
- The third CD album "Happy Fire" has been Selected as the Best Jazz Album by Akademia
- Japan Tour (2014 - 2018)

J-Way String Quartet, Boston MA

2010 - 2020

— *Second Violin, Arranger, Composer*

Orchestra

Plymouth Philharmonic Orchestra, Plymouth, MA

2013 - 2020

— *First Violin (2014 - 2020 sitting next to the Concertmaster)*

Plácido Domingo's Concert, Boston MA

April 2018

EDUCATION

Berklee College of Music, Boston, MA

2008 - 2011

— *Diploma in Jazz Violin Performance, Scholarship Student*

- Concertmaster and Second Violin Principal in Berklee Contemporary Orchestra
- Solist, First violin, and Composer in the Berklee World Strings directed by Eugene Frisen

Osaka College of Music, Osaka, Japan

— *Master of Music in Classical Violin Performance*

— *Bachelor of Music in Classical Violin Performance*

- Concertmaster in Osaka College of Music Orchestra
- Concertmaster in Osaka College of Music String Orchestra

RECORDINGS

Released CD Albums "Happy Fire" 2018 , "Racha S'Miles" 2015, and "Racha Fora" 2011

- As a member of the Jazz/Brazilian Band "Racha Fora"

Supporting Musician for "Love Songs of the Americas" 2010, CD Album

- Released by Mili Bermejo, Eugene Friesen, Tim Ray, Dan Greenspan

SKILLS

Improvisation

Reading Music

Performing Acoustic and Electric Violin

Pit Orchestra

Symphony Experience

Chamber Music

Band

Arranging and Composing Music

AWARDS / COMPETITIONS

The String Department

Chair Award, Berklee

College of Music

Winner of The Next Big String

Thing Competition, Berklee

College of Music

Finalist of The Blue Man

Group Talent Contest, Boston

NBC, MA

Winner of Tune Contest,

Strings Without Boundaries,

Pittsburgh, PA

LANGUAGES

English, Japanese (Native)