

B.M, Violin Performance, Eastman School of Music '13

Lauren Alexandra Haley is a professional violinist, violist, and music educator in Houston, Texas. She earned a degree in Violin Performance from the Eastman School of Music, where she studied with Oleh Krysa. Accepted into both the violin and viola performance programs at Eastman, Lauren also studied violin with the late Zvi Zeitlin and viola with Phillip Ying (of the Ying Quartet). Lauren's violin and viola teachers have additionally included Fredell Lack, Andrzej Grabiec, Levine Andrade, Lawrence Wheeler, William Pu, Marie Winget, and Nina Westbrook.

Lauren Haley Studios aims to inspire a lifelong affection for music in students and families, to teach technique in a manner that prevents injury, to encourage students to persevere through musical and academic difficulties, to demonstrate advanced repertoire and technique, and to support the achievement of students' highest musical goals. LHS currently features violin, viola, and ensemble lessons as well as private tutoring for music theory & history. Lauren Haley Studios currently enrolls over 40 young musicians, with recitals regularly held at the Virtuosi of Houston Studio.

In 2014, Lauren performed the Theme from Schindler's List with the Rosenberg Symphonic Band. In the same year, she founded and conducted the rehearsals and weekly performances for a small orchestra whose members spanned the ages of 12 - 75.

As a violinist and violist, Lauren has performed and recorded professionally in the London Telefilmonic Orchestra. While living in the United Kingdom, Lauren performed in venues including the Queen Elizabeth Hall, Royal Albert Hall, Liverpool Philharmonic Hall, Chichester Cathedral, St. John's Smith Square, and Menuhin Hall. As a freelance artist, Lauren played both violin and viola in the Wally Fields Jazz Orchestra and the Thames Philharmonia. She was recognized as the Farnham Young Musician of the Year in 2008 and was chosen for a solo performance for the 2007 conference of the Association for Music in International Schools in Aberdeen, Scotland.

For most of her life as a violinist, Lauren, informed and inspired by Dorothy Delay's "Teaching Genius," has taught younger musicians. She founded Fiddlers' Club, a non-profit string ensemble for young musicians, in 2007 in Surrey, England. In Rochester, New York, she taught after-school violin lessons at School 17.

Growing up in Houston, Lauren performed as concertmaster of the Virtuosi of Houston and the Greater Houston Youth Orchestra. Summer festivals include the American Festival for the Arts (2003-2005), Abilene Summer Music Festival (2005), California Summer Music (2006), New York University's Steinhardt Intensive String Quartet Workshop (2007), MusicWorks in the UK (2008), and the Interharmony International Music Festival in Hinterzarten and Sulzbach-Rosenberg, Germany (2008-2010). Lauren has extensive chamber music, orchestral, opera, and choral experience at both collegiate and pre-college levels. She is a member of the international music fraternity Sigma Alpha Iota.

Lauren Haley Studios is currently expanding to include conservatory-trained teachers on other instruments.