

Amanda Lynne Dennis

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Qualification Highlights

25+ years of formal training from such teachers Gilda Barston ('85-'93), Hans Jensen ('93-'98), Tyoshi Tsutsumi ('99-'01), Janos Starker ('01-'07), and Helga Winold ('04-'07).

20+ years of orchestral experience, beginning with the Midwest Young Artists Junior & Senior Orchestras ('91-'99), Indiana University Baroque, Chamber, and Philharmonic Orchestras ('99-'07), and various professional orchestras.

5+ years of supplemental solo, chamber, and orchestral instruction at Meadowmount School of Music ('96 & '97), Bay Chamber Music Festival ('96), Orford Music Festival ('00), and Chautauqua Music Festival ('03 & '04).

Experience

Apr. '07	2nd Place Winner <i>Indiana University Cello Concerto Competition</i>	Bloomington, IN
May '98	Finalist <i>Johannes Stulberg International String Competition</i>	Washington, D.C.
May '97 & May '98	3rd Place & 1st Place Winner, Junior Div. <i>Fischhoff National Chamber Music Competition</i>	South Bend, IN
Jul. '96	Audience Award Winner <i>Skene International Competition</i>	Aberdeen, Scotland
Mar. '95	Overall Winner, Junior Div. <i>Music Teacher's National Association Competition</i>	Albuquerque, NM
Jan. '95 & Jan. '97	Overall Winner, Junior & Senior Div. <i>Midwest Young Artists</i>	Lake Forest, IL

Work History

Sept. '08 – Present	Chamber Music Coach <i>Midwest Young Artists</i>	Fort Sheridan, IL
Sept. '05 – Present	Private Cello Instructor <i>Private Studio of Amanda Dennis</i>	Chicago, IL
Jun. '05	Featured Soloist <i>Midwest Young Artists</i> – Don Quixote, Op. 35 by Richard Strauss	Ravinia, IL
Dec. '01 & Jul. '03	Featured Soloist <i>Knox-Galesburg Symphony</i> – Cello Concerto in B minor, Op. 104, B. 191 by Antonín Dvorak – Elegie, Op. 17 by Aleksander Glasunov	Galesburg, IL
Jan. '97	Featured Soloist <i>Champaign-Urbana Symphony Orchestra</i>	Champaign, IL
Sept. '95 – Present	Section & Principle Cellist, Featured Soloist <i>Kankakee Valley Symphony Orchestra</i> – Cello Concerto in E minor, Op. 85 by Edward Elgar	Kankakee, IL

Education

Aug. '07	Bachelor of Music <i>Indiana University</i>	Bloomington, IN
May '02	Performer Diploma <i>Indiana University</i> – National Collegiate Scholar ('00)	Bloomington, IN