

# Robert Buonaspina

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Composer/Arranger | Multi-Instrumentalist | Educator

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Violist (*Strings*)

## Education

**Manhattan School of Music** New York, NY  
Master of Music (M.M.) in Jazz Composition

May 2020  
GPA: 4.0

**Hofstra University** Hempstead, NY  
Bachelor of Science (B.S.) in Music Education

May 2018  
GPA: 3.9

### Principal Teacher (Viola)

Todd Low, Hofstra University Department of Music

## Selected Performances

**Manhattan School of Music** New York, NY

*Violist*, Manhattan School of Music Black Students' Union Concert

February 2020

*Violist*, Manhattan School of Music Brazilian Music Combo

Spring 2020

*Violist*, Manhattan School of Music Chamber Jazz Combos

Fall 2018, Fall 2019

*Viola*, Manhattan School of Music Philharmonia Orchestra

Fall 2018

*Violist*, Manhattan School of Music Jazz Philharmonic String Quartet / Chamber Workshop

Fall 2018 — Spring 2020

**Hofstra University** Hempstead, NY

*Viola*, Hofstra University Symphony Orchestra (*Principal Viola for 2.5 years*)

Fall 2014 – Spring 2018

*Viola*, Hofstra University Chamber Orchestra

Fall 2014 – Fall 2017

*Violist*, Various student recitals

Fall 2014 – Spring 2018

*Violist*, Hofstra University "Music 20" Chamber Ensembles (Collegium Musicum and Indian Music Ensemble)

Fall 2014 – Spring 2015

**Lincoln Center (Damrosch Park Bandshell)** New York, NY

July 2019

*Principal Violin II*, "Lalah Hathaway (sings Donny Hathaway)", Lincoln Center "Out of Doors"

Featuring Lalah Hathaway, Kenya Hathaway, Vince Mendoza, Robert Glasper (guest appearance)

**Patchogue Theatre for the Performing Arts** Patchogue, NY

March 2019

*Viola*, *Into the Woods: In Concert*, Patchogue Theatre for the Performing Arts

Featuring Alice Ripley, Melissa Errico, Constantine Maroulis, Ali Ewoldt, John McDaniel

**John W. Engeman Theater** Northport, NY

July 2018

*Violin Sub*, *Newsies*, John W. Engeman Theater

**Hofstra University** Hempstead, NY

October – November 2015

*Violist*, *Fiddler on the Roof*, Hofstra University Department of Drama and Dance

Greater New York City Area

September 2014 — Present

*Principal Violist*, "Inspire with Strings" *String Quartet*

## Selected Appointments/Professional Experience

**Student Teaching: Instrumental (Orchestra)** Freeport High School, Freeport, NY

March – May 2018

Designing of weekly lesson plans; teaching/conducting two high-school orchestras; working with the Select Choir

**New York State Summer School of the Arts (NYSSSA) School of Orchestral Studies** Saratoga Springs, NY

Summer 2017

*Viola Counselor*, Residential life responsibilities for gifted high-schoolers, event coordination; chamber ensemble/sectional coaching; assistant to Philadelphia Orchestra musicians/staff (**Grades 9–12**)

**Usdan Summer Camp for the Arts** Wheatley Heights, NY

Summers 2015 and 2016

*Violin/Viola Orchestral Work-Study*, Assistance of students in the orchestra program through scaffold-based instruction, sectionals, and music organization (**Grades 1–12**)

**American String Teachers Association (ASTA)**

Fall 2014 – Present

*National Member*; Hofstra collegiate chapter president Fall 2015 – Fall 2017