

Faith Villafana-Smith

Application Degree & Major

Bachelor of Music | Global Jazz Studies - Violin

Key

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Musical Studies

Jazz Violin | UCLA Global Jazz Summer Intensive

Jazz Violin | Teagarden Jazz Summer Camp

Jazz Violin | Sacramento Jazz Education Foundation Honors Trad Jazz Combo: The New Traditionalists

Jazz Violin | Jazz Band and Jazz Combo | American River College

Jazz Violin | Sojourner Truth Museum Jazz Combo | Directed by Bassist Harley White Jr.

Classical Violin | Youth Chamber Orchestra | Folsom Lake College

Jazz Voice | Jazz Choir | Folsom Lake College and American River College

Notable Performances/Recordings

Skywalker Sound Recording | American River College Jazz Band | March 27th 2025

Details: I had a solo on Intimacy of Blues on violin within the Jazz Big Band.

UCLA Recording Studio | UCLA Intensive Jazz Combo | August 1st 2025

Details: I recorded in a Jazz Combo directed under Bassist Luca Alemanno and Drummer Benjamin Ring

American River College (ARC) Theater | ARC Jazz Band/Combo/Choir | November 5th 2024 - Current

Details: I am the only high schooler in all three of these ensembles.

Music and Mind Studios | Chamber/Trio Ensembles and Solo | February 2023 - Current

Details: This is my private classical violin teachers studio.

Harris Center | Folsom Lake College Chamber Orchestra/Choir Ensembles | 2023 - 2024

Other Musical Accomplishments

Jazz Violin | Rita Reed Jazz Camp Scholarship \$850 | Teagarden Jazz Festival

Certificate of Merit | Violin - Level 8 | Music Teachers' Association of California

Featured Soloist: Violin | The Dead That Live | Won Best Original Score | Madrid International Film Festival

Repertoire Studied

Jazz

Combo

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*Reincarnation of a Lovebird | Charles Mingus | 2025

*In a Sentimental Mood | Duke Ellington | 2025

*Body and Soul | John Green/Edward Heyman/Rovert Sour/Frank Eyton | 2025

*Billie's Bounce | Charlie Parker | 2025

*Blues for Alice | Charlie Parker | 2025

Ceora | Lee Morgan | 2025

Airegin | Sonny Rollins | 2025

*Oleo | Sonny Rollins | 2025

*Footprints | Wayne Shorter | 2025

*Caravan | Duke Ellington | 2025
 *Nuages | Django Reinhardt/Jacques LaRue | 2025
 *Blue Bossa | Kenny Dorham | 2025
 *Black Orpheus | Luiz Bonfá | 2025
 *Witch Hunt | Wayne Shorter | 2025
 *Orange Colored Sky | Milton Delugg/Willie Stein | 2025
 Alter Ego | James Williams | 2025
 Fungii Mama | Blue Mitchell | 2025
 Soul Station | Hank Mobley | 2025
 *Well You Needn't | Thelonious Monk | 2025
 *Womens Dance | Milcho Leviev | 2025
 *My Monday Date | Earl Hines | 2025
 *Sally's Song | Danny Elfman | 2025
 *Cherry Pink and Apple Blossom White | Loui Guy/Jacques LaRue/ Mack David | 2025
 *Four | Miles Davis | 2024
 *Impressions | John Coltrane | 2023
 *Chameleon | Herbie Hancock | 2023
 *Stolen Moments | Oliver Nelson | 2023
 My Favorite Things | Richard Rodgers/Oscar Hammerstein II | 2023
 *All of Me | Seymour Simons/Gerald Marks | 2021
 *Donna Lee | Charlie Parker | 2021

Big Band

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Tribute to Gerry Mulligan

*Walkin' Shoes | Gerry Mulligan | Tenor Sax 2 on Violin | 2025
 *Jeru | Gerry Mulligan | Tenor Sax 2 on Violin | 2025
 *All the Things You Are | Jerome Kern/Gerry Mulligan | Tenor Sax 2 on Violin | 2025
 *Mulligan Tawny | Bill Holman | Tenor Sax 2 on Violin | 2025
 *Where or When | Richard Rodgers/Lorenz Hart/Gerry Mulligan | Tenor Sax 2 on Violin | 2025
 *Manoir De Mes Reves (Django's Castle) | Django Reinhardt/Bob Brook | Tenor Sax 2 on Violin | 2025
 *Swing House | Gerry Mulligan | Tenor Sax 2 on Violin | 2025

Tribute to the War Years

*Stompin' at the Savoy | Benny Goodman | Trombone 2 on Violin | 2025
 *A String of Pearls | Jerry Gray | Trombone 2 on Violin | 2025
 *Pennsylvania 6-5000 | Jerry Gray | Trombone 2 on Violin | 2025
 *In the Mood | Joe Garland/Andy Razaf/Wingy Manone | Trombone 2 on Violin | 2025
 *Shiny Stockings | Frank Foster | Trombone 2 on Violin | 2025
 *That Old Black Magic | Harold Arlen/Johnny Mercer | Trombone 2 on Violin | 2025
 *I've Got You Under My Skin | Cole Porter | Trombone 2 on Violin | 2025
 *Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy | Hughie Prince/Don Ray | Trombone 2 on Violin | 2025
 *Don't Sit Under the Apple Tree | Lew Brown/Charles Tobias/Sam H. Stept. | Trombone 2 on Violin | 2025
 *Don't Fence Me In | Cole Porter | Trombone 2 on Violin | 2025
 *Shoo Shoo Baby | Phil Moore | Trombone 2 on Violin | 2025

Tribute to Duke Ellington & Billy Strayhorn

*Anitra's Dance | Duke Ellington/Billy Strayhorn | Trombone 2 on Violin | 2025
 *Snibor | Billy Strayhorn | Trombone 2 on Violin | 2025
 *Intimacy of the Blues | Billy Strayhorn | Trombone 2 on Violin | 2025
 *Blood Count | Billy Strayhorn | Trombone 2 on Violin | 2025

- *Smada | Billy Strayhorn | Trombone 2 on Violin | 2025
- *Boo-Dah | Billy Strayhorn | Trombone 2 on Violin | 2025

Tribute to Benny Carter's "Kansas City Suite"

- *Vine Street Rumble | Benny Carter | Trombone 2 on Violin | 2024
- *Katy-Do | Benny Carter | Trombone 2 on Violin | 2024
- *Miss Missouri | Benny Carter | Trombone 2 on Violin | 2024
- *Jackson County Jubilee | Benny Carter | Trombone 2 on Violin | 2024
- *Sunset Glow | Benny Carter | Trombone 2 on Violin | 2024
- *The Wiggle Walk | Benny Carter | Trombone 2 on Violin | 2024
- *Meetin' Time | Benny Carter | Trombone 2 on Violin | 2024
- *Paseo Promenade | Benny Carter | Trombone 2 on Violin | 2024
- *Blue Five Jive | Benny Carter | Trombone 2 on Violin | 2024
- *Rompin' at the Reno | Benny Carter | Trombone 2 on Violin | 2024

Holiday Sets

- *Overture: The Nutcracker Suit, Mvmt. I | Tchaikovsky/Billy Strayhorn | Tenor Sax 2 on Violin | 2025
- *Good Swing Wenceslas | Sammy Nestico | Tenor Sax 2 on Violin | 2025
- *Silent Night | Bob Curnow | Tenor Sax 2 on Violin | 2025
- *Let it Snow! Let it Snow! Let it Snow! | Sammy Cahn/Julie Styne/Dave Wolpe | Tenor 2 on Violin | 2025
- *Adeste Fideles | Richard DeRosa | Tenor Sax 2 on Violin | 2025
- *Jingle Bells | James Pierpont/Sammy Nestico | Tenor Sax 2 on Violin | 2025
- *Hark, The Herald Angeles Sing | Richard DeRosa | Trombone 2 on Violin | 2024
- *God Rest Ye, Merry Gentlemen | Richard DeRosa | Trombone 2 on Violin | 2024
- *Snowfall | Claude Thornhill | Trombone 2 on Violin | 2024
- *Frosty the Snowman | John La Barbera | Trombone 2 on Violin | 2024
- *The First Noel | Bob Curnow | Trombone 2 on Violin | 2024
- *Zat You, Santa Claus? | Louis Armstrong | Trombone 2 on Violin | 2024
- *We Wish You A Merry Christmas | Dave Wolpe | Trombone 2 on Violin | 2024

Middle School Jazz Band

- *Yes, No or Maybe? | Ken Harris | Trumpet 2 on Violin | 2021
- *Samba Ti Kaye | Mark Taylor | Trumpet 1 on Violin | 2021
- *Living In A Dream | Doug Beach | Trumpet 1/Flugel on Violin | 2021
- *Solar | Miles Davis/Rick Stitzel | Trumpet 1 on Violin | 2021
- *Moondance | Van Morrison/Victor López | Flute on Violin | 2021

Classical

Solo

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- Sonata No.1 in G Minor: Adagio | Bach | 2025
- Concert No. 3 in B Minor Op.61 | Saint-Saens | 2024-2025
- *Schindler's List | John Williams | 2025
- *Sonata No.1 in G Minor: Presto | Bach | 2024
- *Meditation on Thais | Massenet | 2024
- *Sonata No. 3 in D: Adagio | LeClaire | 2024
- Souvenir de Saraste | Potstock | 2023
- Sicilienne and Rigaudon | Kreisler | 2022
- *Roumanian Folk Dances (1st Movement) | Béla Bartók | 2021
- *Concert No. 2 in G Major (1st Movement) | Haydn | 2021
- *Concerto No. 3 in G Major (1st Movement) | Mozart | 2020

*Ave Maria | Bach-Gounod | 2020

Chamber Orchestra

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- *Trio Op. 87 arr. for 2 violins & Viola | Beethoven | Violin I | 2025
- *Duet Op. 8 No. 2 Allegro | Playel | Violin II | 2025
- *Concerto for 4 Violins No. 4 in A Major | G.P. Telemann | Violin II | 2025
- *Water Music Suit I in F: Overture, Bourré, Hornpipe | G.F. Handel | Violin I | 2024
- *Divertimento in D KV 136: Diverimento I | Entstanden Salzburg | Violin I | 2024
- *Serenade II. Intermezzo | Nielsen | Violin I | 2024
- *Serenade: I. Pezzo in forma di Sonatina, Op. 48 | Tschaikowsky | Violin II | 2024
- *Concerto per il Violoncell in Do Maggiore I | Hayden | Violin II | 2024
- *String Quartet No. 12 in F Major, Op. 96 IV Finale | Dvorak | Violin II | 2024
- *Serenade in D Minor: I and II | Julius Von Beliczay Op. 36 | Violin I | 2023
- *I. Praelude Aus Holberg's Deit, Op. 40 | Greig | Violin I | 2023
- *String Sinfonia No. 2 in D Major: I Allegro | Mendelssohn | Violin II | 2023
- *Lute Concerto in D Major RV 93 (1st Movement) | Vivaldi | Violin II
- *Messiah: Sinfonia and Hallelujah | G.F. Handel | Violin II | 2023
- *A Christmas Feast | Mathew Naughtin | Violin I | 2023
- *Six Christmas Pieces Op. 72 | Felix Mendelsohn | Flute part for violin | 2023
- *Arrival of the Queen of Sheba | G.F. Handel | Violin II | 2023
- *La Rejouissance | G.F. Handel | Violin I | 2023
- *La Paix | G.F. Handel | Violin I | 2023
- *Menuet in D Minor and D Major | G.F. Handel | Violin I | 2023
- *Bouree from Fireworks | G.F. Handel | Violin I | 2023
- *Trio. Op. 63 Nr. 1 (Violin, Cello, Piano) | Hans Sitt | Violin | 2021-2022

Technique/Skills Study

Book Title | Skill

Rode 24 Caprices for Violin	Etudes
Mazas 75 Melodious and Progress Studies Book I: 30 Special Studies Op. 36	Etudes
Wohlfahrt Op. 45 60 Studies for the Violin Book I and II	Etudes
Kreutzer 42 Studies for Violin	Etudes
Gaviniés 24 Studies for Violin	Etudes
Schradieck The School of Violin - Technics Book 1	Intonation, Speed
Sevcik Op. 8 Shifting the Position and Preparatory Scale-Studies	Shifting
Svcik Op. 9 Preparatory Exercises in Double-Stopping	Double Stops
Sevcik School of Bowing Technic for the Violin Op. 2 Part 1 and 2	Bowing
Kayser Op. 20 Elementary and Progressive Studies for the Violin	Etudes
Whistler Introducing the Positions for Violin Vol. I and II	Shifting
Melodious Double-Stops for Violin Josephine Trott Book I and II	Double Stops
Improve your sight-reading Paul Harris Level 4, 5, 7/8	Sight Reading
Carl Flesch Scale System: A Supplement to Book I of The Art of Violin Playing	Scales