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Education

(CSQ is Chiara String Quartet)

2005	Artist Diploma in String Quartet Studies , The Juilliard School, New York City. The Juilliard String Quartet, principal teachers (CSQ)
2000	Master of Music , The Juilliard School, New York City. Joel Krosnick, major teacher
1998	Bachelor of Music, Cum Laude , The Shepherd School of Music at Rice University, Houston, TX. Norman Fischer, major teacher

Administrative Experience

2007-2015	Coordinator, Chamber Music, University of Nebraska-Lincoln. Among many responsibilities, placed students into groups, assigned coaches, designed syllabus, coordinated scheduling of masterclasses (2010-2014), interfaced with the university registrar to handle assigning students to the correct section. Designed and coordinate podio.com-based solution for managing complexity of data in chamber music, sign-up forms, and communicating information to registrar. Full FERPA security concerns also addressed with sandboxing of non-directory student data.
2015	Co-implementor , scrum for rehearsal efficiency in The Chiara String Quartet.
2000-2015	Programmer , The Chiara String Quartet website http://www.chiaraquartet.net . Originally written in PHP, rewritten from scratch in Javascript using the Meteor platform, 2015.
2009-2015	Programmer, Greenwood Music Camp Scheduling Program. Designed and implemented a customized computer program, first in PHP/Mysql and then using Objective-C (Mac OS X native) for scheduling the Greenwood Music Camp 5 week summer camp. Average time savings: 20+ hours of work over the old, paper-based way.

Teaching Experience

Publications: 2013 **Improve your talent**, 6-article series about effective

practicing on <http://gregorybeaver.com> and
<http://cellobello.com>

Academic

Appointments:	2014-2015	Research Associate Professors-Artists in Residence, University of Nebraska-Lincoln
	2008-2014	Blodgett Artists in Residence, Harvard University
	2008-2014	Research Assistant Professors-Artists in Residence, University of Nebraska-Lincoln
	2005-2008	Lecturers-Artists in Residence, University of Nebraska-Lincoln
	2003-2005	Lisa Arnhold Resident String Quartet, The Juilliard School, New York, NY. Chamber music coaches. Assistants to the Juilliard String Quartet. Assistant teachers to freshman string quartet survey class. (CSQ)
	2000-2002	Adjunct Lecturers, Department of Music, University of North Dakota, Grand Forks, ND. As part of Chamber Music America Rural Residency Grant. Taught private lessons in string performance. Coached chamber music. (CSQ)

Masterclasses:

2014	Quartetfest, Waterloo, Ontario, Canada (CSQ)
2014	Hartt School, Hartford, CT (CSQ)
2014	Lafayette College, Easton, PA (CSQ)
2013	University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA (CSQ)
2013	Seoul National University, Seoul, South Korea (CSQ)
2013	San Francisco Conservatory, San Francisco, CA (CSQ)
2013	Drake University, Des Moines, IA (CSQ)
2012	Boston Conservatory, Boston, MA
2012	University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI (CSQ)
2012	Northern Valley Youth Orchestras, Grand Forks, ND (CSQ)
2012	Shanghai Conservatory, Shanghai, China (CSQ)
2012	University of Shanghai for Science and Technology, Shanghai, China (CSQ)
2012	Christian Council of Korea, Seoul, South Korea (CSQ)
2012	Dickinson College, Carlisle, PA (CSQ)
2012	SUNY Fredonia, Fredonia, NY (CSQ)
2011	Eastman School of Music, Rochester, NY (CSQ)
2010	San Francisco Conservatory of Music, San Francisco, CA (CSQ)
2010	University at Texas-Austin, Austin, TX (CSQ)
2010	University of Massachusetts at Amherst, Amherst, MA (CSQ)
2009	Boston University, Boston, MA

2009	Carleton College , Northfield, MN (CSQ)
2009	Smith College , Northampton, MA (CSQ)
2009	Shepherd School of Music, Rice University , Houston, TX (CSQ)
2008	University of Iowa , Iowa City, IA
2008	University of North Carolina , Chapel Hill, NC
2008	Hastings College , Hastings, NE
2008	Omaha Conservatory , Omaha, NE
2007	Grinnell College , Grinnell, IA
2007	High School for Performing and Visual Arts , Houston, TX
2005	Rocky Ridge Music Center , Estes Park, CO
2004	Musicorda Summer String Festival , South Hadley, Massachusetts. College chamber music (CSQ)
2004	University of Nebraska , Lincoln Nebraska. College chamber music. (CSQ)
2004	Old Dominion University , Norfolk, Virginia. College and High school chamber music. (CSQ)
2003	Shepherd School of Music , Rice University, Houston, Texas. College chamber music. (CSQ)
2003	Southern Adventist University , Collegedale, Tennessee. College cello.
2003	University of Cincinnati College-Conservatory of Music , Cincinnati, Ohio. College chamber music. (CSQ)
2003	University of Notre Dame , South Bend, Indiana. College chamber music. (CSQ)

Festival Appointments: (CSQ)

2014	Madeline Island Music Camp , Madeline Island, WI. 1 week of intensive coaching at the college level, some teaching of lessons, a masterclass, and 2 performances.
2014	QuartetFest , Waterloo, Ontario, Canada. 2 days of coaching at the college level, a masterclass, and performance.
2006-2008, 2011-12, 2014	Greenwood Music Camp , Cummington, Massachusetts Teaching responsibilities include coaching high school chamber music groups and teaching lessons twice weekly on the chamber music repertoire. Performing responsibilities include several performances. The camp lasts for 5 weeks
2005-2008	Red River Chamber Music Festival , Grand Forks, North Dakota. One week of intense chamber music with students will be accompanied by a performance.
2003,2004,2006	Chamber Music at Snowmass , Snowmass Village, Colorado. Teaching responsibilities include choosing repertoire for 15 high school-aged string quartets, coaching 3-4 groups every day and a daily master class for two weeks.

- 2004 Director: Gail Seay
Music at Port Milford, Port Milford, Ontario, Canada.
Teaching responsibilities include coaching two chamber music groups daily for a week.
Director: Meg Hill
- 2004,2006-2012,
2014-2015
University of Nebraska-Lincoln Chamber Music Institute, Lincoln, Nebraska. Guest artists-in-residence for the inaugural summer. Gave daily master classes, special workshop on music entrepreneurship.
Director: John Bailey

Selected Residencies: (CSQ)

- 2014 **Lafayette College**, Easton, PA. performance of music by Gabriela Lena Frank with the Lafayette College Choirs, and a quartet concert.
- 2013 **Seoul, South Korea**. September 2013. multi-day tour and workshops with students at Seoul National University.
- 2012 **University Musical Society**, Ann Arbor, MI, October, 2012. A week-long performance and outreach residency featuring a pop-up concert in downtown Ann Arbor.
- 2012 **University of Shanghai for Science and Technology**, Shanghai, China, May 2012. A four-day residency including three performances, a masterclass, a discussion session on musical life in the U.S., and a cross-cultural musical exchange with traditional Chinese instrumentalists.
- 2012 **Dickinson College**, Carlisle, PA, February 2012. A four day residency including a concert, a masterclass, and guest lectures for a music theory class and a German class.
- 2011 **University of Washington World Series**, Seattle, WA, February, 2011. A week-long performance and outreach residency featuring the quartet with composer Daniel Ott.
- 2011 **Chandler Music Hall**, Randolph, VT, April, 2011. A three-day residency with the Vermont MIDI project, culminating in a concert.
- 2011 **Skaneateles Chamber Music Festival**, Skaneateles, NY, August, 2011. A week-long residency including three performances, public outreach, and the HyperScore project, performing amateur compositions.
- 2009 **Smith College with Music in Deerfield**, Northampton, MA,
December 2009-May 2010. A short day-long teaching residency (lessons, masterclasses, lectures) with students

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Smith College and U.Mass.-Amherst in conjunction with
our
Beethoven Cycle performances at Smith.
- 2009 **Strathmore Music Center**, Silver Spring, MD, October,
2009. Performed for and worked with a group of
inner-city elementary school students on their fall break.
- 2009 **Da Camera of Houston**, Houston, TX, April, 2009. A
three day residency including a "Very Open Rehearsal"
for adults, an outreach performance for children, a club
concert, and a mainstage concert.
- 2009 **Music In The Park**, St. Paul, MN, March, 2009. A three
day residency including performances at The Dakota (a
jazz club), a family concert, and a mainstage concert.
- 2008 **Hancher Auditorium at University of Iowa**, Iowa City, IA,
October 2008. Residency including concert, club concert,
and "adult outreach" to college students, DNA-lab workers, a
professional networking club, an aerospace contractor, and an
entrepreneurship class, sponsored by a grant from Chamber
Music America.
- 2008 **Lied Center Kansas**, Lawrence, KS, January 2008.
Week-long residency including a concert, a club concert, and
several children's concerts.
- 2008 **Community Musicworks**, Providence, RI, February 2008.
Fundraiser house concert and performance visit to a
"performance party" for inner-city music students.
- 2007 **UNL Chancellor's Tour**, Nebraska state-wide, May, 2007.
Performances in five Nebraska town/cities, including
concerts and/or school visits to Curtis, Minden, Scottsbluff,
North Platte, Kearney, and Halsey.
- 2007 **Lied Center's Arts Across Nebraska**, Nebraska state-wide,
Sept, 2007 – April, 2008. Performances in nine Nebraska
venues, including several school visits.
- 2007 **University of Washington World Series**, Seattle, WA,
November, 2007. Performance on mainstage series, and
week-long residency activities at five Seattle-area elementary
schools.
- 2006 **Olney School**, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Residency
sponsored by Astral Artistic Services and Chamber
Music America. Intensive classroom visits concluding
with a performance.
- 2004 **Cooperstown Chamber Music Festival**, Cooperstown,
New
York. Residency featuring a concert, family concert,
community outreach events.
- 2004,2006 **Meadowlark Chamber Music Festival**, Lincoln, Nebraska.
Residency featuring 2 concerts, 2 family concerts, community
outreach and the University of Nebraska-Lincoln Chamber

- Music Institute.
- 2003,2004,2005 **Northampton Community Music Center**, Northampton, Massachusetts. One-day amateur chamber music workshop.
- 2004 **Young Audiences of Virginia**, Norfolk/Newport News, Virginia. Intensive two-week residency featuring a concert and a large variety of outreach events including master classes, K-12 school performances, and adult outreach.
- 2004 **La Jolla Music Society**, La Jolla, California. Residency featuring a concert, outreach in San Diego schools, a master class with advanced high school musicians.
- 2000-2002 **Chamber Music America Rural Residency Grant**, Grand Forks, North Dakota. 9-month residency with total commitment. Living in North Dakota, responsibilities included performing several concerts, innovative community outreach for children and adults, playing in the Greater Grand Forks Symphony, and teaching at the University of North Dakota.

Awards and Honors:

- 2015 **Brahms by Heart** reaches #15 on the Classical Billboard Charts
- 2014 **University of Nebraska Grant-in-Aid** awarded \$10000 towards the recording of Béla Bartók's 6 string quartets.
- 2012 **University of Nebraska Hixson-Lied Faculty Research/Creative Activity Grant 2012** awarded \$5000 in support of the Brahms By Heart recording project. (CSQ)
- 2011 **CMA/ASCAP Adventurous Programming Award** (mixed repertoire ensemble), awarded in recognition of world premieres, and commissions. (CSQ)
- 2011 **Grammy Nomination—Best Contemporary Classical Composition**, for the recording of Jefferson Friedman's 3rd String Quartet, on the album Jefferson Friedman: Quartets (CSQ)
- 2011 **New York Times Holiday Gift Guide**, Jefferson Friedman: Quartets a critic's pick. (CSQ)
- 2011 **Wall Street Journal Best of 2011 List**, for Jefferson Friedman: Quartets (CSQ)
- 2011 **Boston Globe Best CDs of the Year**, for Jefferson Friedman: Quartets (CSQ)
- 2011 **San Jose Mercury News Best Albums of 2011**, for Jefferson Friedman: Quartets (CSQ)
- 2010 **Amphion Foundation Grant 2010**, awarded \$3000 in support of the Chiara Quartet's Creator/Curator project. (CSQ)
- 2010 **Aaron Copland Fund for Music: Performing Ensembles**

- Program 2010**, awarded \$4000 in support of touring and performance of new music in non-traditional venues (“Chamber Music in Any Chamber”) (CSQ)
- 2010 **Lincoln Journal-Star, Top 5 Performing Arts Stories of 2010**, for Beethoven cycle at UNL and performances in non-traditional venues with singer/songwriter Ember Schrag. (CSQ)
- 2009 **Meet the Composer, Commissioning Music/USA Grant 2009**, awarded \$10,000 towards the commissioning of composer Gabriela Lena Frank for the Chiara Quartet's "Club Premieres" project. (CSQ)
- 2009 **Chamber Music America Commissioning Program Grant 2009**, awarded \$17,000 to fund the commissioning of composer Huang Ruo for "Club Premieres." (CSQ)
- 2009 **University of Nebraska Grant in Aid 2009**, awarded \$10,000 to fund the Chiara Quartet's "Club Premieres" commissioning project. (CSQ)
- 2009 **New York Times, Best of 2009 Critic's Pick**, for violist Nadia Sirota's album First Things First, which includes the Chiara Quartet on Judd Greenstein's The Night Gatherers. (CSQ)
- 2009 **Parents Association and Teaching Council of UNL Teaching Award**
- 2008 **Chamber Music America Residency Partnering Grant**, with Hancher Auditorium, Iowa City, IA. A groundbreaking grant project bringing quartet outreach to young professionals.
- 2007 **WNYC “Best of 2007”**, New York, NY. Featured as one of the best live on-air performances of the year on a nationally-recognized public radio station.
- 2007 **Seattle Post-Intelligencer, “Best of 2007”**, Seattle, WA. Featured as one of the best performances in Seattle in 2007.
- 2006 **Guarneri Quartet Residency**, 2nd group ever awarded this award from Chamber Music America for artistic excellence (CSQ)
- 2005 **3rd prize, Premio Paolo Borciani 2005**, Reggio Emilia, Italy
- 2003 **Winner, Lisa Arnhold Quartet Residency** audition at the Juilliard School (CSQ)
- 2002 **First prize, Fischhoff National Chamber Music Competition**, South Bend, Indiana (CSQ)
- 2002 **Winner, Astral Artistic Services Auditions**, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania (CSQ)
- 2002 **2nd prize, Young Concert Artists (YCA) International Auditions**, New York, New York (CSQ)
- 1998 **Mtislav Rostropovich Master class participant**, Tanglewood Music Center, Massachusetts
- 1998 **Semifinalist, Houston Symphony Ima Hogg National**

	Competition, Houston, Texas
1998	Semifinalist, Schadt National String Competition, Allentown, Pennsylvania
1997	Quarterfinalist, 2nd Australasian International Cello Competition, Christchurch, New Zealand
1997	2nd prize, Fort Collins Symphony Concerto Competition, Fort Collins, Colorado
1997	1st prize, College Strings Division, Corpus Christi International Young Artist's Competition, Corpus Christi, Texas
1993	First prize, Fischhoff National Chamber Music Competition, Junior Division, South Bend, Indiana

Selected Performance Experience

Discography:

2016	Bartok by Heart, Azica Records release (pending)
2014	Brahms by Heart, Azica Records release
2011	Jefferson Friedman: Quartets, features recordings of String Quartet #2 and #3, along with remixes by the electronica group Matmos.
2009	Nadia Sirota: first things first, with the Chiara String Quartet, features the premiere recording of Judd Greenstein's The Night Gatherers with the Chiara Quartet.
2006	Quintets for Clarinet and Strings SMSC 0102 (CSQ)
2006	Leyendas, An Andean Walkabout CNVS 002 (CSQ)
2005	Quintets for Clarinet and Strings RTR 15 (CSQ)
2004	Triptych, CNVS 001 (CSQ)

Chamber:

2015	Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York, NY (CSQ)
2015	Brahms G Major Sextet, East Lansing, MI
2014	Library of Congress, Washington D.C. (CSQ)
2014	Bargemusic, Brooklyn, NY Bartok Cycle (CSQ)
2014	Quartetfest, Waterloo, ON, Canada (CSQ)
2014	Madeline Island Music Camp, Bayfield, WI (CSQ)
2014	Chamber Music Concerts, Ashland, OR (CSQ)
2014	WQXR Greene Space, New York, NY Brahms by Heart CD release (CSQ)
2014	Harvard University, Cambridge MA Bartok Cycle (CSQ)
2014	Carleton College, Northfield, MN Bartok Cycle (CSQ)
2014	Auditorium Chamber Music Series, Moscow, ID (CSQ)
2013	University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA Bartok Cycle (CSQ)
2013	Drake University, Des Moines, IA Bartok Cycle (CSQ)
2013	Sungkyunkwan University, Suwon, South Korea (CSQ)
2013	Seoul Art Center, Seoul, South Korea (CSQ)
2013	The HOUSE Concert, Gangneung, South Korea (CSQ)

- 2013 **Avaloch Farm Music Institute**, Boscawen, NH (CSQ)
- 2013 **University of Oklahoma**, Norman, OK (CSQ)
- 2013 **Brooklyn Public Library**, Brooklyn, NY (CSQ)
- 2013 **Del Valle Fine Arts**, Del Valle, CA (CSQ)
- 2012 **Shanghai Conservatory of Music**, Shanghai, China (CSQ)
- 2012 **Young San Art Hall**, Seoul, South Korea (CSQ)
- 2012 **Postech University**, Pohang, South Korea (CSQ)
- 2012 **Princeton University Summer Concert Series**, Princeton, NJ (CSQ)
- 2012 **Boston Conservatory New Music Festival**, Boston, MA (CSQ)
- 2012 **Paine Hall at Harvard University**, Cambridge, MA (CSQ)
- 2012 **Kimball Recital Hall**, Lincoln, NE (CSQ)
- 2011 **Sanders Theatre at Harvard University**, Cambridge, MA (CSQ)
- 2011 **Austin Chamber Music Center**, Austin, TX (CSQ)
- 2011 **Montreal Chamber Music Festival**, Montreal, Quebec, Canada (CSQ)
- 2011 **CMA Commissioning Concert**, New York, NY (CSQ)
- 2011 **Ecstatic Music Festival (inaugural season) at Merkin Hall**, New York, NY (CSQ)
- 2010 **Houston Friends of Chamber Music**, Houston, TX (CSQ)
- 2010 **Symphony Space, Cutting Edge Concerts**, New York, NY (CSQ)
- 2010 **Philadelphia Chamber Music Society**, Philadelphia, PA (CSQ)
- 2010 **Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München**, Munich, Germany (CSQ)
- 2009-2011 **Beethoven Cycle**, Lincoln, NE, Cambridge, MA and Northampton, MA (CSQ)
- 2009 **National Gallery of Art**, Washington D.C. (CSQ)
- 2009 **Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München**, Munich, Germany (CSQ)
- 2009 **Da Camera of Houston at the Menil Collection**, Houston, TX
- 2009 **Paine Hall at Harvard University**, Cambridge, MA, and **Lied Center for Performing Arts**, Lincoln, NE, *Banned in the U.S.S.R.* program featuring Berg, Schoenberg and Haydn with guest artist Lucy Shelton, soprano.
- 2009 **Miller Theatre at Columbia University**, New York, NY. Performances of Jefferson Friedman Quartets #2 and #3, lunchtime performance of the six complete Mozart "Haydn" Quartets
- 2008 **Carter Celebration at New England Conservatory**, Boston, MA (CSQ)
- 2008 **Triangle Area Concerts: UNC Chapel Hill, Duke University, Fletcher Opera House**, Chapel Hill, Durham, Raleigh, NC (CSQ)

- 2008 **Yellow Barn Music Festival**, Putney, VT, with pianist Seth Knopp (CSQ)
- 2008 **Sweden Tour**, Falkenberg, Lund, Stockholm, Hanebo, Ljusdal, Hudiksvall, Sandviken, Soderhamn, Sweden, with clarinetist Håkan Rosengren (CSQ)
- 2007 **Meany Hall, UW World Series**, Seattle, WA (CSQ)
- 2007 **Merkin Concert Hall**, New York, NY (CSQ)
- 2006 **Takács Quartet Series**, Boulder CO (CSQ)
- 2006 **Kreeger Museum**, Washington D.C. (CSQ)
- 2006 **Miller Theater**, New York, NY choreographers concert (CSQ)
- 2006 **Peoria Symphony**, Peoria, IL concerto performance (CSQ)
- 2006 **Lincoln Center**, NY with Todd Palmer, clarinet (CSQ)
- 2005 **Fischer Center, Bard College**, NY (CSQ)
- 2005 **Weill Recital Hall, Carnegie Hall**, with Simone Dinnerstein, Piano (CSQ)
- 2005 **Alice Tully Recital Hall** (CSQ)
- 2004 **American Academy**, Rome, Italy (CSQ)
- 2000 **Schleswig-Holstein Musikfestival**, 2 Concerts, “Musik auf dem Lande” series, Emkendorf, Germany (CSQ)

Solo:

- 2015 **Bach cycle**, performance of all 6 Suites in a single evening
- 2015 **Beethoven Triple Concerto**, performance with Blue Lake Festival Orchestra, with Walter Verdehr and Edisher Savitski, Kevin Rhodes, conductor
- 2014 **Elgar Cello Concerto**, performance with UNL symphony, Lincoln, NE
- 2013 **Seoul, South Korea**, performance with Hyeyung Yoon
- 2011-2012 **Bach cycle**, performance of all 6 Cello Suites with all 6 Violin Sonatas and Partitas performed by violinist Hyeyung Julie Yoon
- 2010 **Gregory Beaver-Soyeon Lee Duo**, sonata duo performance, Cummington, NE
- 2010 **Gregory Beaver-Soyeon Lee Duo**, sonata duo performance, Lincoln, NE
- 2007 **Dvorak Cello Concerto**, performance with UNL symphony, Lincoln, NE
- 2006 **Carter Cello Sonata**, performance with Nicole Narboni, Lincoln, NE
- 2003 **Solo recital**, Bach 1st and 6th Suites, Fort Collins, Colorado
- 2003 **Concerto soloist**, Southern Adventist Symphony, Collegedale, Tennessee
- 2002 **Concerto soloist**, Greater Grand Forks Symphony, Grand Forks, North Dakota
- 2000,2001 **Beethoven cycle (piano/cello music)**, with Ho-Jeong Jeong, piano. Paul Recital Hall, New York

1997 **Concerto soloist**, Fort Collins Symphony Orchestra, Fort
Collins, Colorado

Orchestral:

2000-2002 **assistant principal**, Greater Grand Forks Symphony
Orchestra, Grand Forks, North Dakota

1999 **principal and section**, Tanglewood Music Center Orchestra,
Tanglewood, Massachusetts

1999 **principal and section**, Juilliard Symphony, New York

1994-1998 **principal and section**, Shepherd School Symphony and
Chamber Orchestra, Rice University, Houston, TX

1992-1994 **section**, Michigan State University Symphony Orchestra

Other Experience

2000-2002 **principal author**, “Rural Residents” column, *The Strad*
magazine.

2006 **author**, *The PEAR Installer Manifesto*, Packt Publishing

2002-2009 **open source developer, the PHP project.** author of
extensions for PHP and core language elements of php.
<http://pear.php.net/user/cellog> and <http://php.net/phar>

References available upon request