

Dallas Strings Studio Teachers

Beth Romig- Viola and Violin- Email: bethers002@yahoo.com Phone 940.206.7155

Currently teaches orchestra at Dowell Middle School in McKinney. She holds degrees in Music Education from Hardin Simmons University and Viola Performance from University of North Texas where she was a viola teaching fellow for two years. She has been teaching private viola and violin lesson for 10 years and has extensive performance experience.

Ania Bard- Violin- Email: aniabard@gmail.com Phone 785.312.4253

Born in Poland, Ms. Bard earned her Bachelor's degree from the University of Kansas, and Master's degree from the New England Conservatory of Music in Boston. Currently, she is a Doctor of Musical Arts Candidate at the University of North Texas. She is a winner of the Gregor Piatigorsky Foundation Competition. Ms. Bard has performed as a recitalist, chamber, and orchestral musician on 4 continents and in fifteen countries of: Europe, Middle East, North and South Americas.

Christine Glass- Cello. Music-Tempo@hotmail.com Phone 214.562.0778

Currently teaches orchestra at Johnson MS in McKinney. She has a Bachelor of Music Education from Texas Christian University. Ms. Glass has been teaching for 10 years. Before her appointment to McKinney ISD, she taught in the Carrollton and Lewisville schools. She plays with the Allen Philharmonic Orchestra and currently performs with her quartet throughout Texas.

Dr. Gudrun Raschen-Bass and Cello. gudrunraschen@hotmail.com Phone 940.395.9566

Dr. Raschen completed her doctoral studies in Double Bass at UNT with Jeff Bradetich. She teaches cello, bass and chamber music aural skills at Texas Woman's University. She has extensive solo, orchestral and chamber music experience including concerts in South Africa, Namibia, the US, Poland, Finland and Germany. She has performed with the South Africa National Youth Orchestra, Cape Town Philharmonic, and in the US with the Fort Worth Symphony, Dallas and Texas Chamber Orchestra's, Richardson Symphony and the orchestra of New Spain.

Fawn Sorgi- Cello and Bass. Fawnsorgi@yahoo.com Phone 214.641.6196

Currently teaches orchestra at McKinney High School. She has a Bachelor of Music Education degree from West Texas A&M University. She has 14 years of teaching experience. She taught in Lewisville ISD prior to her appointment to McKinney HS. Ms. Sorgi was voted teacher of the year 2005-2006 and has been named "Who's Who" for American Teachers.

Michael Link- Piano (all ages) Mikerlink@aol.com Phone 972.896.8456

Current Orchestra director at McKinney Boyd High School in McKinney and Director of Music at Aldersgate United Methodist Church in Carrollton. Mr. Link has 24 years teaching experience. He received his Bachelor of Arts in Music Education from Western Illinois University and his Master of Music Education from VanderCook College of Music, Chicago. IL.

Robert Padgett- Violin and Viola. Bobwpadgett@yahoo.com Phone 972.740.6968. Group lessons and private study.

Mr. Padgett is a composer, private violin and viola instructor in the North Texas public schools. He is also an accomplished performer. Performances in include Van Cliburn, Joseph Silverstein, Prince Charles, Lady Camilla and Steve Jobs.

Phil Cimbalo - Cello (all ages) dallascello@msn.com Phone: 214.906.9149

Mr. Cimbalo began studying cello at age 3 with Gregor Piatagorsky in Southern California in 1956. He later studied cello with Hugh McKenzie and Joseph DiTullio. Mr. Cimbalo spent 25 years as a professional cellist in the Los Angeles area before moving to Texas in 1980. He has been teaching cello and playing professionally for over 40 years in both Southern California and the DFW area. He teaches students of all ages in his home studio in McKinney.

Ruusamari (Rosa) Teppo- Piano ruusamari@yahoo.com Phone 940.300.6107

Ms. Teppo began her piano studies at age 4 in her native country, Finland. After high school, she studied piano in Paris for 3 years. She then studied piano at the Prague Conservatory and the Franz Liszt Academy of Music in Budapest. She moved to the US to study with the world renowned pianist Vladimir Viardo. Ms. Teppo has performed as a soloist and chamber musician in the US, Finland, German, France, Czech Republic, Hungary, Italy, Estonia, Belgium and South Africa. Ms. Teppo has worked with age groups.