



David Lisker was born in Novosibirsk, Russia in 1985 and immigrated to America with his family at the age of 4. He began his violin lessons with his father at the age of five. When he moved to Los Angeles at the age of ten, he began his lessons with Linda Rose and remained her student for six years until he moved back to Chicago where he began studies with Mark Zinger. After studying with Mr. Zinger for three years, David moved to New York where he is currently studying with Pinchas Zukerman and Patinka Kopec at the Manhattan School of Music.

At the age of 14 he was chosen as one of 18 violinists from around the world to participate in the renowned summer music festival, The Perlman Music Program in New York where he studied with Itzhak Perlman for 5 years. Being an active member of the Perlman Chamber Orchestra, he traveled to Israel and China, participated in the live PBS broadcast of "Live from Lincoln Center", and has performed in the most prestigious halls around the world including Avery Fisher Hall, Carnegie Hall, The Shanghai Theatre, and The Mann Auditorium in Tel Aviv. A few of his most recent engagements include a performance at the Urania Hall in Berlin, a performance of the Chausson concerto for Violin, Piano, and String Quartet in Nichols Concert Hall in Chicago where he collaborated with Kwan Yi from Curtis and the St. Petersburg Conservatory String Quartet, a performance of Sarasate's Carmen Fantasy with the South Coast Symphony in California, and a chamber music concert with Manhattan School of Music faculty members in New York City.

David Lisker has won awards in several competitions including 1st place at the Saddleback College Concerto Competition, two time 1st and Grand Prizewinner at the Bach Festival in Los Angeles, and he received 1st place in the Orange County, and greater Los Angeles divisions of the ASTA Competition and then was selected to participate in the National Finals. David has also participated in several master classes where he played for such renowned violinists as Janice Martin, Eric Friedman, Vadim Repin, and Pinchas Zukerman.

His schedule is filled with solo, chamber music, and orchestral performances in Chicago, New York and Los Angeles. Upcoming engagements include a performance of Winter from Vivaldi's Four Seasons with the South Coast Symphony in California. David is also member of the Travaio String Quartet which recently won the Trinity Church Chamber Music competition, granting them a recital in the 2007-08 concert season which will mark the quartet's New York City debut.

David is currently playing on an Annibale Fagnola violin made possible through the generosity of Fred Margulies.

Here are the words of the Chairman of the Perlman Music Program Mrs. Toby Perlman: "David is very gifted. But in addition to being a gifted young violinist David is a fabulous boy; both my husband and I are crazy about him."