## Annelle K. Gregory - Bio

American violinist and violist *Annelle K. Gregory* is a laureate of international competitions, concert soloist, and recording artist. She is the 1st Prize & Audience Choice Award winner of the 2017 National Sphinx Competition and Laureate of the 2013 Stradivarius International Violin Competition.

Annelle's love of Russian music has led her to discover and revive forgotten works of great Russian composers, presenting these works in concert and in recordings. In 2017 she released the first-ever CD of Rachmaninoff's complete violin/piano works, recorded with pianist Alexander Sinchuk (*Bridge Records*). Her most recent CD, "Russian Music for Solo Violin and Orchestra" with conductor Dmitry Yablonsky and the Kiev Virtuosi Symphony Orchestra was released by Naxos in 2019.

As a soloist, Annelle has performed with the symphonies of Houston, Detroit, Chicago Sinfonietta, Kiev Virtuosi, San Diego, New Jersey, Nashville, and Philadelphia, working alongside such conductors as Mei-Ann Chen, Andrew Grams, Lawrence Loh, Ken-David Masur, Yannick Nézet-Séguin, John Morris Russell, Thomas Wilkins, Dmitry Yablonsky, and Xian Zhang. She has performed in such venues as Carnegie Hall and Walt Disney Hall, as well as abroad in Azerbaijan, England, Germany, Guadeloupe, Portugal, Russia, Spain, and Ukraine. She has been featured on BBC, NPR, KUSC, and WQXR radios as well as on German television and PBS.

Annelle was awarded the 2017 Isaac Stern Award and has received scholarships from the Musical Merit Foundation and the League of Allied Arts. Other awards include 1st Prizes in the 2017 "Grand Prize Virtuoso" International Competition, the 2017 NANM National Strings Competition, the 2017 Beverly Hills National Auditions, the 2016 American Protégé International Concerto Competition, and the 2012 NAACP ACT-SO National Strings Competition. After graduating from high school at age 16 with honors, Annelle graduated first in her class, *summa cum laude*, from USC's Thornton School of Music with departmental honors and became the first music performance major to win the Discovery Scholar Prize. She then studied at the Moscow Conservatory International School for two summers. Her teachers have included Michael & Irina Tseitlin, Glenn Dicterow, and Alexander Kirov.

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