

Julia Okrusko

Composer, Violinist, Producer

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Ability to efficiently produce musical material in a variety of styles.

Proficiency in music composition, performance, notation, arrangement for any set of instruments or voicing, MIDI, recording, mixing, sound design, project supervision, and post-production.

Knowledge of music theory, styles, and performance practices.

Development and implementation of music education and outreach strategies.

Acoustic performance (violin), conducting, ensemble management.

Good computer skills and technological awareness. Ability to learn quickly.

Highly creative, resourceful, collaborative, and responsible.

Authorized to work in the US for any employer

WORK EXPERIENCE

Composer, Arranger, Producer

Nexus Sound - Boston, MA - January 2016 to Present

Violinist, Founder

New England String Quartet - Boston, MA - November 2007 to Present

EDUCATION

Performance Diploma

Boston University College of Fine Arts - Boston, MA
2009

Master's Degree in Violin Performance

Boston University College of Fine Arts - Boston, MA
2008

Bachelor's Degree in Violin Performance

Lithuanian Academy of Music and Theater - Vilnius
2005

High School Diploma in Music Department

National M. K. Ciurlionis School of Fine Arts - Vilnius
2002

SKILLS

Music Notation - Sibelius, Finale (8 years), MIDI Composition - Ableton Live (5 years), Audio Editing - Celemony Melodyne, Sony Sound Forge (3 years), Graphic Design - Adobe Photoshop, Adobe Illustrator (7 years), Web Design - Adobe Dreamweaver (7 years), Video Editing - Adobe Premiere Pro, Final Cut Pro (10+ years), Violin Performance (10+ years), Fluent English, Russian, Lithuanian languages (10+ years)

LINKS

<http://www.juliaokrusko.com/>

<https://soundcloud.com/juliaokrusko>

<https://www.youtube.com/user/JuliaOkrusko>

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

COMPOSITION WORKS:

Soundtracks for "Wandering Heroes of Ogre Gate" and "Sertorius" game videos

Soundtracks for "Compassion Works International" campaigns

Symphony No. 1 in D minor for orchestra and choir, "Dragonborn"

Soundtrack for "Dependence" short film

Aerial ballet music, "Northern Star", FantasyCon, Salt Lake City, Utah

"Legends: Fantasy Violin" concert score production, live premiere by

Claflin Hill Symphony Orchestra and New World Chorale

"Camelot" single - CD production for live and MIDI instruments

"Legends: Fantasy Violin" CD, original music for violin, orchestra, and choir

production for live and MIDI instruments

"Excalibur" single CD, production for live and MIDI instruments

"Horizons" for string quartet

EMPLOYMENT AND PROJECTS:

Founder, Nexus Sound (2016)

Music residency at Harvard University's Dudley House (2013)

Creator, Intermezzo TV program (2012)

Founder, New England String Quartet Foundation (2011 - 2015)

Founder, The International Composition Competition, Boston, MA USA (2011)

AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS:

2015 - Audience Choice Award for "Dependence" soundtrack at the LDS Film Festival in Salt Lake City, UT (USA)

2015 - Akademia Music Award (Northern Star, "Legends: Fantasy Violin")

2013 - Nominations for "Legends: Fantasy Violin" in Best Classical, Best Orchestral/Instrumental, and Best New Age categories at the Hollywood Music in Media Awards in Hollywood, CA (USA)

2012 - 1st Prize at the American Protégé Romantic Music Competition with the New England String Quartet in New York, NY (USA)

2009 - Gran-Prix at the International J.S.Bach Competition in Boston, MA (USA)

2005 - 2009 - Full Scholarship, Boston University, Boston, MA (USA)

2005 - 2007 - Lithuanian Ministry of Culture Scholarship for Education (Lithuania)

2003 - Scholarship, Summer Music Sessions (Holland)

2002 - V. Landsbergis Performance Scholarship (Lithuania)

2001 - 1st prize at the International A.Glazounov Competition in Paris (France)

2001 - Special Prize at the International J.Heifetz Competition in Vilnius (Lithuania)

2000 - Laureate Diploma and the Special Prize for best performance of contemporary composition at the International B.Dvarionas Competition in Vilnius (Lithuania)
2000 - 1st prize at the National Chamber Music Competition „Pavasario Sonata“ in Vilnius (Lithuania)
1999 - 1st prize at the National J.Fledzinskis Competition in Vilnius, Lithuania
1998 - 1st Prize at the International Berlingske Tidende Competition in Copenhagen (Denmark)
1997 - Diploma at the International B.Dvarionas Competition in Vilnius (Lithuania)
1997 - 3rd prize at the International W.A.Mozart Competition in Riga (Latvia)

DISCOGRAPHY:

"Symphony No.1 in D minor: Dragonborn" - original music (Nexus Sound)
"Rivendell" - New England String Quartet - soundtrack arrangements (Nexus Sound)
"Legends: Fantasy Violin" - original music (Nexus Sound)
"Fred Broer: Music for String Quartet and Piano Solo" (Navona Records, NV6042)
"Darkness To Light" (Navona Records NV5974)
"Excalibur" - original music (Nexus Sound)
"Live at Symphony Hall", Video Game Orchestra
"88+12" (Navona Records NV5968)
"Soul of the Machine" (Navona Records NV5965)
"Legends Live" - original music, Claffin Hill Symphony Orchestra
"Unbridled" (Navona Records NV5958)
"Allusions" (Navona Records NV5927)
"Perceptions: Points of View for Small Ensemble" (Navona Records NV5909)
"Quadrants: Modern String Quartets" (Navona Records NV5883)