

Fiona Carnie Strings



Degrees and Studies:

Fiona Carnie holds a Bachelor of Music with Distinction from the University of Calgary and a Master of Music from Yale University, where she studied under New York Philharmonic concertmaster, Sidney Harth, and Syoko Aki.

Biographical Information:

Ms. Carnie is a committed teacher of both violin and Scottish country dancing. Her teaching philosophy, inspired by her mentor, Dr. Lise Elson, is grounded in trying to help each student find ease in playing, pride in accomplishment and joy in music.

In 1989, Ms. Carnie was invited to follow Dr. Elson as senior violin instructor in the Academy Program at Mount Royal College. In accepting this position, she interrupted a successful freelance career in Toronto where she played professionally in the National Ballet Orchestra, Canadian Opera Company, Kitchener-Waterloo Symphony and many other groups.

During her 18 years at Mount Royal College Conservatory as String Coordinator, Director of Early Childhood Strings, Intermediate Academy Coordinator and Coordinator of the popular Summer Strings Academy, Ms. Carnie guided generations of string players to the fulfillment of their individual goals. Her students perform with major orchestras and teach at major institutions across the country.

Ms. Carnie is much sought after as a master class clinician and tours Canada as a festival adjudicator. She is currently the Director of the Amici String Program.

