



JULIAN RHEE, violin



Violinist Julian Rhee is quickly gaining recognition as an emerging artist and performer, praised for his “sophisticated, assured tone, superb intonation, and the kind of poise and showmanship that thrills audiences.” (The Strad). He is a Winner of the 2021 Astral National Auditions.

An avid soloist, Mr. Rhee made his Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra debut at age 8, and has gone on to be featured with professional orchestras including the Aspen Philharmonic, San Jose Chamber Orchestra, Avanti Symphony Orchestra, San Diego Symphony, Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra, Eugene Symphony, and Madison Symphony Orchestra. He has performed in an array of venues including Ravinia’s Bennett Gordon Hall, Heinz Hall, the

Overture Center for the Arts, Teatro El Círculo in Rosario, Argentina, The Musikverein in Vienna, Bartok Hall in Hungary, and the New World Center. Upcoming engagements for the 2021-2022 season include solo performances with the Bach Beethoven Brahms Society, Flint Symphony Orchestra, Santa Rosa Symphony, Santa Cruz Symphony, and Jackson Symphony Orchestra.

In January of 2020, Julian was named the first prize winner and was awarded the special Community Engagement Award of the Elmar Oliveira International Competition. He has performed at the John F. Kennedy Center as a Presidential Scholar and received his medal at the White House. A top prize winner of the Johansen and Klein International Competitions, Julian was also the winner of the Aspen Concerto Competition, where he performed with the Aspen Philharmonic Orchestra at Benedict Music Tent.

A passionate chamber musician, Julian’s performance on violin and viola earned him and his String Quartet first prize in the A.N. & Pearl G. Barnett Chamber Music Competition, Rembrandt, Fischhoff, and the M-Prize International Chamber Arts Competition. He has performed at and attended festivals including the Heifetz Institute, Ravinia Steans Institute, NorthShore Chamber Music Festival, and Pierce Hill for the Performing Arts. He has also appeared alongside Time for Three on NPR’s From The Top, Jupiter Chamber Players, 98.7 WFMT’s Introductions, Milwaukee Public Television, and Wisconsin Public Radio and Television.

Julian Rhee studied with Almita and Roland Vamos and Hye-Sun Lee at the Music Institute of Chicago Academy. He is currently pursuing a Bachelor of Music degree with Miriam Fried at the New England Conservatory.

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