



Jonathan Der, violinist, conductor, chamber musician and church organist, enjoys sharing music with the Lower Mainland communities. Although grew up from Toronto, he has been in the BC music scene for 20 years now.

Mr. Der dedicates many hours of his time to violin pedagogy. For the past 25 years, he has nurtured many youngsters to become professional musicians. One of his main teaching philosophies focus on building strong technical foundation and creative musical expression. Today, quite a few of his students continues pursuing music as a career and many play in professional symphony orchestras.

In the past 15 years, Mr. Jonathan has been an active adjudicator for many music festivals in BC. Festivals such as the Richmond Music Festival, BC Conservatory of Music Festival, North Shore Music Academy Festival, Elite International Music Festival and Pacific Northwest Music Festival to name a few.

Mr. Der obtained his bachelor's degree from McGill University and graduated with a master's degree in Violin Performance and minor in conducting from Indiana University, Bloomington. Currently, he also holds the position of Associate Conductor and Chamber Music Director of the Richmond Delta Youth Orchestra and the Music Director/Organist at St. Anne's Steveston Anglican Church. He was appointed the music director of Sunshine Coast Symphony Orchestra from 2018 to 2021.