

# Alex Russell

Violinist, Professor

## Education:

### *University of Southern California*

Doctorate of Musical Arts in Violin Performance, with Academic field in Music Theory and Elective Fields in Instrumental Conducting and String Pedagogy (in progress)

### *Cleveland Institute of Music*

Master of Music in Violin Performance  
(2005)

### *Azusa Pacific University*

Bachelor of Arts in Violin Performance  
(2003)

## Solo and Chamber Experience:

- 2012-present Member of multiple chamber ensembles: Belden Piano Quartet, SC3 string trio, wild Up contemporary ensemble, APU Faculty Piano Trio. Perform regularly in southern California.
- 2000-2011 Member of piano-violin duo giving 30-50 performances per year: Guest soloists with Armenian Philharmonic Orchestra in Yerevan, Armenia, Panevezys Chamber Orchestra in Panevezys, Lithuania and with chamber orchestras in Ukraine, Korea, Sweden, Canada, Washington, Oregon, Texas, Missouri, Iowa, and California. Duo performances in all of the above locations as well as at St. Martin-in-the-Fields Church in London, England and at the Shanghai Opera House in Shanghai, China.
- 2011 Performed as soloist with Zaporozhye Chamber Symphony, Zaporozhye, Ukraine
- 2010 Performed Mendelssohn Violin Concerto with Central Assembly of God Chamber Symphony, Springfield, MO
- 2005 Performed Mendelssohn Violin Concerto with Lake Avenue Chamber Symphony, Pasadena, CA
- 2003 Performed Sibelius Violin Concerto with Azusa Pacific University Symphony Orchestra as Concerto Competition winner.
- 1997 Performed Mendelssohn Violin Concerto with Tulare County Symphony as Concerto Competition winner

**Teaching Experience:**

- 2007-present Full-time faculty, Azusa Pacific University, Azusa, CA. Instructor of violin and music theory, director of chamber music, director of APU Collegium Chamber Orchestra
- 2013 Clinician for University of Southern California's visiting string ensembles
- 2005-2007 Part-time faculty, Azusa Pacific University. Instructor of violin and music theory, director of chamber music
- 1997-present Private violin instructor
- 2004-2007 Annual guest masterclass clinician at the Zaporozhye Music Conservatory, Zaporozhye, Ukraine
- 2006 Masterclass clinician at Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, TX
- 2003, 2005 Masterclass clinician at Yerevan Komitas State Conservatory, Yerevan, Armenia

**Orchestral experience:**

- 2006-present Pasadena Symphony, Pasadena, CA
- 2008-2009 Sunflower Festival Orchestra, Topeka KS
- 2007 Tanglewood Music Center Orchestra
- 2003-2005 Cleveland Institute of Music Orchestra (rotation Concertmaster)
- 2003-2005 Warren Symphony, Warren, OH
- 2004-2005 Akron Symphony, Akron, OH
- 2004-2005 Canton Symphony, Canton, OH
- 2004-2005 Erie Philharmonic, Erie, PA
- 2004 Wheeling Symphony Orchestra, Wheeling, WV
- 2004 Aspen Music Festival Chamber Symphony
- 1999-2003 Azusa Pacific University Symphony Orchestra (Concertmaster)
- 2000-2001 Music Theatre of Southern California, San Gabriel, CA
- 1996-1999 Tulare County Symphony, Visalia, CA

**Music Festivals:**

- 2007 Tanglewood Music Center
- 2004, 2005 Aspen Music Festival and School
- 2002, 2003 Manchester Music Festival
- 1997 Idyllwild School of the Arts
- 1995 Summer Music West Chamber Music Intensive at the San Francisco Conservatory of Music