



Randy Mastin - Cello Instructor

Randall Mastin has been a string educator for 30 years and brings a lifetime of experience, enthusiasm and a wealth of knowledge to string teaching and performance. Mr. Mastin began playing cello at age 8 in Eau Claire Wisconsin. He graduated with a Bachelor of Music Education degree in 1984 from Wartburg College, Waverly Iowa, winning the prestigious Meistersinger scholarship has done extensive graduate work at Vandercook College in Chicago Illinois, University of Minnesota, University of Wisconsin, Eau Claire and is certified with three violin Suzuki degrees from the Suzuki institute in Steven's Point Wisconsin. Mr. Mastin received his Master's Degree in 2016 from the University of Wisconsin, La Crosse.

Mr. Mastin is currently the orchestra director at Lincoln Middle School in La Crosse and the music director and conductor of the La Crosse Area Youth Symphony orchestra. He is been a cellist with the La Crosse Symphony for 14 years and was principal cellist of the Chippewa Valley Civic Symphony for eight years. He is a graduate of the Symphony of the Hills, and has performed all over the United States and Europe, a highlight of which was a performance in Westminster Abby and a performance in the Lord Mayor of Westminster New Years Day parade celebration. He performed with Bob Hope and most recently Mannheim Steamroller in December 2013.

Mr. Mastin's proudest achievement though are the hundreds of successful former students who have gone on to professional music careers or just enjoyed a lifetime of playing their instrument. He has been voted 16 times, by students, as the educator who has the most impact on their lives "I have an excellent reputation with students,

parents and community members, fostering excellence and pride amongst my students. My philosophy is to enable every student to enjoy success and to capitalize on that success every day. My dedication to the individual and my ability to foster excellent personal relationships with students makes students feel comfortable and confident to do their best. Moreover, I thoroughly enjoy teaching and my passion for music is clear in everything I do.”