

John Eckstein
Cello

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ORCHESTRAL EXPERIENCE

1989-present Cellist, Utah Symphony, Salt Lake City, UT
(Frequently serving as Principal)
2004 Principal Cellist, Auckland Philharmonia, Auckland NZ
1988-89 Principal Cellist, Omaha Symphony Orchestra
1987-88 Associate Principal Cellist, New Orleans Symphony

RECENT CONCERTO APPEARANCES

2009 Elgar Concerto with Salt Lake Symphony
2008 Couperin Pieces with Vivaldi Candlelight Orchestra
2006 Schumann Concerto with Utah Philharmonia
2004 Schumann Concerto with Auckland Philharmonia

CHAMBER EXPERIENCE

1992-2003 Abramyan String Quartet, Cellist

As quartet in residence at the University of Utah, we performed at least three different programs per year with an emphasis on contemporary composition in addition to the standard repertoire. With six tours to Japan (each with 8-10 concerts) and an active touring and outreach schedule in Utah, the Abramyan's performances were regularly listed as "one of the top ten performances of the year in Utah" by the Salt Lake Tribune's year-in-review edition. Quintets with cellist Yo Yo Ma, and pianists Andre Michel Schub and Grant Johanassen were among the highlights.

Ongoing work with all chamber series in Utah. Performances with Joseph Silverstein encompassing wide sample of string quintet and sextet literature.

ACADEMIC BACKGROUND

1986 MM, Northern Illinois University
1984 BM Cello Performance, Eastman School of Music
1980 Interlochen Arts Academy

MAJOR TEACHERS

Raya Garbousova, Ralph Kirshbaum, Steve Doane, Richard Kapuschinski, Dennis Brott, Marc Johnson