

## **Robin Braun**

Canadian born violinist, Robin Lynn Braun began her musical studies at age five at the Suzuki String School with Martha Kaliniak where she showed great promise and talent.

Winner of the 1994 Ontario Youth Competition, she made her debut at the Centre In the Square Raffi Armenian Theatre. In 1998 she was a member of the National Youth Orchestra of Canada. Ms. Braun has appeared as soloist with the Winnipeg Symphony, Kitchener Waterloo Symphony, Vancouver Symphony, Mississauga Symphony, Sarnia Symphony and has given recitals throughout Canada, USA, Brazil, Mexico, Europe and Asia.

Ms. Braun has been invited to several prestigious summer music festivals. Recently she participated at the American Institute of Musical Studies (Graz, Austria), The National Academy Orchestra (Ontario), The Festival of the Sound (Ontario), International Music Festival (Mexico), 2002 and 2003 European Music Festival (Hamburg, Germany), Orvieto Musica Chamber Festival (Orvieto, Italy) and QuartetFest (Waterloo, Ontario).

Ms. Braun has given master classes at the Yewon Arts School in Seoul, Korea, the Universidade Federal Do Rio Grande Do Sul Instituto des Artes in Porto Alegre, Brazil, Wilfrid Laurier University and the University of British Columbia. She has performed in Master Classes around the world for violin protégés as, Mauricio Fuks, Jamie Laredo, Martin Chalifour and Aaron Rosan.

Ms. Braun has completed with Honors a Bachelor of Music degree in Performance at Wilfrid Laurier University where she was a student of Jerzy Kaplanek and a Masters of Music degree at Indiana University where she was a student of Mimi Zweig. Ms. Braun held a position of Assistant Instructor of Violin at Indiana University for two years and taught for the Summer String Academy Program at Indiana University.

During the summer of 2006 Ms. Braun was invited to play First Violin with the Canadian Opera Company for the complete Wagner Ring Cycle. During the summer of 2007 Ms. Braun was given the position of Principal Second Violin for the National Academy Orchestra. That summer collaborated with renown musicians as Marc-Andre Savoie, Mark Skazinetzky, Agnes Grossman and Richard Roberts.

This past summer Robin was invited to join the First Violin Section of the American Institute of Musical Studies (AIMS) Opera Orchestra in Graz, Austria.

Immediately following her studies in the States, Ms. Braun became a member of the KW Symphony for the 03/04 Season. In 2004 Robin joined the Vancouver Symphony Orchestra and is entering her 5th Season as First Violin.

Miss Braun has recently join the teaching faculty at AVA Music school in North Vancouver, where she enjoys teaching young talented kids the joys of learning Violin, competitively or simply for pure fun and love of Music.