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Violinist Samuel Vargas Teixeira has received wide recognition for his powerful artistry and awards including First Prize of the Sphinx Competition (2021), Yamaha Young Performing Artist (2019), Grand Prize of the Jefferson Symphony Orchestra Concerto Competition (2019), First Prize in Atlanta's GA Philharmonic Competition (2017), and Concertmaster Ambassador of the United Nations (2014).

Vargas holds the Pin Artistic Merits from "City Key of Prince George" and "Central Bank in Canada," and has performed on tours in 40 countries, collaborating with acclaimed artists like Gustavo Dudamel, Simon Rattle, Daniel Barenboim, Claudio Abbado, and Christian Vasquez.

Vargas began his violinistic journey through Venezuela's El Sistema Program. In 2017 Samuel won the prestigious Woodruff Award enabling him to study with his current mentor and professor Sergiu Schwartz at the Schwob School of Music at CSU.

He is the founder and president of the Samuel Vargas International Music Foundation, an organization which is enriching communities and society through the power of classical music, emphasizing a holistic approach to music education supporting students in all areas of studies and well-being. Through his passionate work and entrepreneurship, he has founded 8 active Venezuelan chamber orchestras and currently mentor young musicians in the US and South America.

Samuel Vargas

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Education

Bachelor in Music Performance Schwob School of Music	2022
Bachelor in Neuroscience and Neuro-Linguistics AVEPANE University	2017
International Certification in Coaching NLP AVEPANE University	2017
Diploma in Violin Pedagogy – Latin America Violin Academy	2015

Awards

Sphinx Senior Division First Place Laureate	2021
Schwob School of Music Concerto Competition Winner	2021
Yamaha Young Performing Artist Winner	2019
Jefferson Symphony Orchestra Concerto Competition Grand Prize Winner	2019
MTNA Winner String division	2018
MTNA 2 nd prize String Division	2017
Samuel Fordis Concerto Competition First Prize Virtuoso Category	2017
Winner of Woodruff Award and Scholarship	2017
Classical Artist Award of the Year (Venezuela)	2016
Artist Ambassador of 69th anniversary (UN) The United Nations	2014
Pin Artistic Merit's, City Key of Prince George in Canada	2013
Pin Central Bank Prince George Northern Capital in Canada	2013

Orchestral Experience

Violinists Schwob Philharmonic Orchestra	2018 – present
Concertmaster Teresa Carreño Symphony Orchestra Venezuela	2014 – 2016
Concertmaster Multinational Orchestra of The United Nations (UN)	2014

Concertmaster Orquesta Sinfónica Acarigua-Araure	2008 – 2013
Concertmaster Orquesta Regional de los Llanos	2009 – 2011
Concertmaster Venezuela Youth Symphony Orchestra	2010

Entrepreneurial Experience

Publication of second book “El Arte de Dar y Recibir; La Persona detrás del Violín”	2021
Founded the Samuel Vargas International Music Foundation 501(c)3 corporation	2020
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Mission: Enriching communities and society with the power of classical music and creative education ○ All programming is offered free of cost to participants in order to provide accessible opportunities which prioritizes expanding diversity in classical music ○ Created Virtual Conference Tour for young musicians in 15 Spanish-speaking countries 	
Guest speaker for the Neurolinguistic and Arts Convention in Venezuela	2018
Launched educational YouTube channel for violinists and teachers	2018
Publication of first book “ <i>Pedagogia del Violin</i> ” by Samuel Vargas	2017
Founder and Artistic Director of the José Francisco del Castillo Chamber Orchestra	2016
Founder of the Esmeralda Chamber Orchestra	2016
Founder of the Jose Antonio Abreu Chamber Orchestra	2016
Founder of the Aurora Chamber Orchestra	2016

Teaching Experience

Violin Instructor at the Schwob School of Music - Preparatory Division	2018 – present
Guest teaching artist for masterclass at the National University of Peru - Lima	2020
Guest teaching artist for masterclass at the Hidalgo State University Mexico	2020
Guest teaching artist for masterclass at El Sistema Program	2020
Coordinator of the Violin Faculty at Los Llanos Region in Venezuela	2011 – 2013
Violin professor at El Sistema Program	2010 – 2017

International Tours

U.S. Recital Tour	2019
Opening performer for Paez Medal Award Ceremony at the Lincoln Center	2018

South America Concert Tour (Solo appearances with orchestra)	2018
Tour Asia	2015
Tour Expo de Millan	2015
Tour Europe TCYO	2014