

Sr. Strings Adjudicator – Witold Swoboda

Witold Swoboda was educated at the High Schools of Music in Bielsko-Biala and Cracow, Poland. In 1980, he graduated from the Cracow Academy of Music in violin performance. He was a member of Polish Radio and Television Orchestra, Cracow Philharmonic Orchestra, and violinist and violist with Ewa Demarczyk Ensemble. With these groups he performed in many European countries as well as Cuba, Mexico and U.S.S.R.

Since 1981, Witold has lived with his family in Canada, where he has been a member of the Canadian String Quartet, Concertmaster of the Sault Symphony, Toronto Sinfonietta, Peterborough Symphony, Etobicoke Symphony, and Orchestra da Camera Toronto. He has performed numerous solo and chamber recitals with his pianist wife Ewa, both in Europe and in Canada and USA.

His teaching positions (violin & viola) include Algoma University, Mohawk College, Suzuki String School of Guelph as well as Summer Music Camps and workshops in Canada, United States, England, and Poland. Witold is the founder and artistic director of International Chamber Music Workshop in Pulawy, Poland. He is also the founder of Accademia Musica program in Peterborough, Ontario.

Witold frequently performs chamber music with his wife Ewa and two sons, Mateusz and Marcin, both professional musicians. Their recent projects include a CD recording of Gabriel Faure's 1st Piano Quartet.