

# Musician SPOTLIGHT



**Elizabeth  
Jaffe**

## **Instrument/Position:**

*Associate Principal viola*

## **How long in the DSO?**

*since 2009*

## **Music Education:**

Manhattan School of Music, Master of Music in *Orchestral Performance*, Conservatoire Supérieur de Paris—CNR Diplôme d'Études Musicales, Indiana University Bachelor of Music and Performer's Diploma

## **Other Ensembles You Perform With:**

Principal Viola, Reading Symphony; Section viola, Opera Philadelphia; Colorado Music Festival

## **Other Professional Activities?**

Teaching Artist, Philadelphia Orchestra's School Partnership Program; Teaching Artist through the Delaware Symphony; Private studio violin and viola out of the house

## **Hobbies, Activities?**

Hiking, yoga, cooking, I just had a baby so hobbies are difficult these days



## **Ideal Vacation?**

*Someplace interesting with good food and fun things to do outside, a good mix of relaxing and sightseeing*

## **Favorite Composer/ Piece?**

*Whatever I happen to be playing that week*

## **Why?**

*I like almost all music, and it's hard to pick a favorite. When I am working, I try to treat everything as if it were my favorite, I always give 101%*

## **What teacher/educator/event influenced you the most, and why?**

*My viola teacher in college, Atar Arad, was most influential. He was very tough, but in a loving way. He was very stingy with compliments so when he did say something nice you know he really meant it. I learned so much from him, and he pushed me to work harder than I ever have.*

## **Cheesesteak Topping?**

- American
- Provolone
- Whiz
- Don't do cheesesteaks!



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