

Samantha Bounkeua

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CONTACT INFORMATION

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EDUCATION

2010 Bachelors of Violin Performance, Oberlin Conservatory, Deans Merit Award Scholar

2006 Albuquerque Academy, Highschool Diploma, Cum Laude

PRINCIPAL TEACHERS/MENTORS

Annie Huang, Marvel Re-Recording Engineer, 2022

Chrissy Tignor, Prof. Berklee School of Music, 2021

Steven Lee Tracy, Owner of Saint Cecilia Studios, 2021

Dr. Darryl King, Prof. of Voice, Pima Community College, 2021

Timothy Weiss, Prof. Oberlin Conservatory Contemporary Music Ensemble Conductor, 2008-10

Dr. David Bowlin, Prof. Oberlin Conservatory, 2010

Dr. Gregory Fulkerson, Prof. Oberlin Conservatory, 2006-2009

Dr. Jorge Perez Gomez, Prof. of Conducting, University of New Mexico, 2006

Dr. Carmelo de Los Santos, Prof. of violin, University of New Mexico, 2005-2006

Krystof Zimowski, Concertmaster, New Mexico Symphony Orchestra, 2003-2005

Dr. Bernard Zinck, Prof. of violin, University of Milwaukee, 2000-2003

PROFESSIONAL HISTORY

Rogue Violin Studios 2020-Present
Founder, Mixing & Recording Engineer, Music for Film & Synch

Project Manager Nov. 2021-Present
Project Manager to Dr. Susan Stryker, Emmy-award winning film
maker and trans history academic

Dec 2015-Nov. 2021
Project Manager to Tim Collins, former rock band manager for
Aerosmith

Saint Cecilia Studios March-Aug 2021
Intern, Assistant Engineer, Contracting Engineer

Harbor Light House Studios Nov 2019-May 2020

Start-up Founder and 2nd Place FORGE Business Incubator Finalist

Our Place Clubhouse 2012-2015
Psych-Social Rehab Specialist

MUSIC FESTIVALS

Linus Lerner San Luis Opera Festival	2015, 2016 & 2017 San Luis, Mexico
Southern Arizona Symphony Tour	2016 Gramado, Brazil
7th Annual Flagstaff Hullabaloo Festival	2016 Flagstaff, AZ
Tucson Folk Festival	2014 Tucson, Arizona
International Folk Festival	2011 Billingham, UK
Garth Newel Chamber Music Festival	2008 Warm Springs, VA
Colorado College Summer Music Festival	2008 Lafayette, CO
Britten-Pears New Music Festival	2008 Aldeburgh, UK
Tuscia Opera Festival	2007 Viterbo, Italy
Indiana University String Academy	2004 Bloomington, IN
Albuquerque Chamber Music Festival	2003 Albuquerque, NM

RECORDINGS

“Oceans” for LuftBassoons (TBD)

Etudes, RogueViolin Solo EP (2021)

Glass Bottle Heart, Sapphocracy Single Release (2020)

Much Ado About Nothing, Rogue Theatre (2019)

Chris Black: Lullabies & Nightmares (2017)

Chris Black: Cooper Must Die (2017)

Black Medicine: Monsoon Rain (2017)

Half-Broke Town, Live on KXCI (2016)

Jimmy Carr and the Awkward Moments: A Beautiful Melody (2015)

ChamberLab Buster Keaton DVD (2014)

Antler Room (2014)

Sergio Mendoza y la Orkesta (2014)

AIR Yolanda Kondonassis, harp and Oberlin 21 (2008)

Oberlin Conservatory Orchestra at Carnegie (2007)

NOTABLE WORKS & PERFORMANCES

2021

Sun Sun Directors Choice Selection Supernova Regeneration Feature Program	September 2021 Denver, Colorado Collaboration w/ Cyane Tornatzky
Sun Sun Official Selection Kerala Short Film Festival	Oct, 2021 Kerala, India
Etudes, Solo EP Release	June 2021 Rogue Violin Studios, Tucson, AZ
Creation In Isolation, Groundworks Art Show	April 10, 2021 Blacklidge Community Collective, Tucson, AZ Featuring “The Grief Manuscript”
The Grief Manuscript Premiere	March 13, 2021 Directed, produced, composed for multi-

media collaboration w/ Frankie Rollins & Cyane Tornatzky & other artists

[“Wald Tellurian” Dance Premiere](#)

Jan 24-25th, 2021
Breaking Ground Contemporary Dance Festival, Tempe Center for the Arts, AZ
10-minute commissioned work from Hawkins Dance Company

[“Oceans” Bassoon Quartet Premiere](#)

Jan 3-10, 2021
Commissioned work from LuftBassoons selected for premiere at the International Meg Quigley Vivaldi Symposium

2020

[“Psalm of Sappho” Single & Music Video](#)

July 2020
Rogue Violin Studios, Tucson, AZ

[A Little Wish](#)

July 2020
Rogue Violin Studios, Tucson, AZ
Stop motion and composition release

[Letting Go](#)

April 2020
Rogue Violin Studios, Tucson AZ
Stop motion and composition release

2019

[Glass Bottle Heart](#)

Oct 2019
Tucson, AZ
Single release w/ Sapphocracy, song writer, co-producer, violinist

Tentacle Palace Los Angeles Solo Debut

Sept 28, 2019
Tentacle Palace, Los Angeles
Abelton Live-based original solo violin loop performance, invitation from sound artist Heather Gray

Loops: An Exploration of Solo Loop Music

July 7, 2019
Che’s Lounge, Tucson, AZ

	Abelton Live-based original solo violin loop performance.
Synesthesia	March 30, 2019 Hotel Congress, Tucson, AZ Original music by Chris Black with live painting from nationally esteemed muralist, Joe Pagec
Titanic Music Video	Feb 26, 2019 Tucson, AZ Featured appearance in singer/songwriter Katie Haverly's music video release, a project aimed at empowering female artists
San Francisco Poetry Brothel	Feb 13, 2019 The Great Northern, San Francisco, CA Headlining performer alongside Kristen Nelson at nationally curated performance project
The Length of This Gap Tour	Feb 9-16, 2019 West coast tour Composed music for violin & electric pedals/performed on one-week tour alongside poet and author Kristen Nelson.
Dykes, Young & Rogue Darlings	Feb 3, 2019 Tucson, AZ Wrote, composed and produced performance art show hosted by literary arts non-profit Casa Libre incorporating violin, poetry, vocals, set and light design with Abelton Live
Sarah Hennies "Contralto"	Feb 1, 2019 Museum of Contemporary Art, Tucson, AZ Lead performer for Tucson premiere of esteemed avant-garde composer, Sarah Hennies, "Contralto" – composition for ensemble and video based on sound samples, interviews and footage of trans voice training
"Much Ado About Nothing"	Jan 2-28, 2019 The Rogue Theatre, Tucson, AZ

Featured soloist with month long professional Shakespeare production, original score by composer/pianist Russel Ronnenbaum

Lucky Devils Band Showcase

Jan 21, 2019
Hotel Congress. Tucson, AZ
Featured as both a classical duo performer (violin and cello/string quartet) and plugged-in stage performer for showcase line-up

2018

Messiah Sing-In

Dec 3, 2018
Christ Community Church, Tucson, AZ |
Guest concert master for performance of Handel's "Messiah" for over 800 community members

Naim Amor Holiday Market Opening

Nov 16, 2018
Tucson Museum of Art, Tucson, AZ
Stage performance and film shoot with Naim Amor alongside Calexico drummer, John Covertino

[Binational Encuentro](#)

Oct 19, 2018
MSA Annex Stage, Tucson, AZ
Soundscape musician/composer for international performance artist Nina Yhared's performance of "Sugar Stains" discussing the female migration experience crossing the Mexican border; worked with original field recordings of sugar on corrugated metal, produced and manipulated in Ableton Live

[The Length of This Gap Book Release](#)

Sept 1, 2018
Cirque Roots, Tucson, AZ
Collaborative performance; composed and set poems from Kristen Nelson's Length of This Gap to music, performed alongside Erin Henderson and silk aerialist Joanna Smith

[Kiss the Sun](#)

June 19, 2018
Hotel Congress, Tucson, AZ

	Invited guest performer with Phoenix, AZ girl rock band, Kiss the Sun
Dreamcatcher Festival	Aug 19, 2018 La Cocina, Tucson, AZ Featured headlining performer for fundraiser for queer youth and the Colby Olsen Foundation
Tucson Electric Street Car 4th Anniversary	July 28, 2018 Tucson, AZ Live featured performance with Jimmy Carr & the Awkward Moments performing on a moving streetcar around downtown Tucson
Jimmy Carr Opener for Larry & His Flask	June 8, 2018 Hotel Congress, Tucson, AZ Performer w/ Jimmy Carr & the Awkward Moments opening for celebrated and esteemed touring band
Carlos Arzate Album Release	April 7, 2018 Hotel Congress, Tucson, AZ Invited guest violinist for CD release show of esteemed singer/songwriter Carlos Arzate
Half-Broke Town	Feb 3, 2018 Hotel Congress, Tucson, AZ Songwriter and performer for headlining band on Saturday night lineup
	2017
Book Release "Sometimes I Gets Lost"	Dec 14 th , 2017 Exo Bar, Tucson, Featured performer and composer for Kristen Nelson's poetry chapbook release
Agenda Session	Jan 15, 2017 Flycatcher, Tucson, AZ Organized, promoted and performed at a social justice benefit performance featuring nonprofit guest speakers and discussion forums from Iskashittaa (works with refugees) and Emerge! Center Again

Domestic Abuse with special guest violin and Syrian refugee, Fadi Iskandar

Ladytowne Live

Nov 8, 2017

Hotel Congress, Tucson, AZ

Featured performer with Half-Broke Town on local advocacy and dialogue show with host Ladytowne

Chamber XV

Oct 12, 2017

Hotel Congress, Tucson, AZ

Performed at and premiered an original string quartet composition alongside other new works from local composers

2016

“Generation Y-Me”

Oct 29, 2016

Olivier Mosset’s Art Studio, Tucson, AZ

Curated and performed at a multimedia art show featuring fourteen millennial artists as an introspective of millennial creative process; underwritten by former Tucson Museum of Contemporary Art director, Elizabeth Cherry; hung at the private studio of internationally recognized conceptual artist, Olivier Mosset; approx. 250 in attendance

Artifacts Dance Performance

March 7, 2016

Temple of Music and Art, Tucson, AZ

Guest soloist with small chamber quintet performance with choreography from Artifact Dance

“By the Bog of Cats” by Marina Carr

January 2016

The Rogue Theatre, Tucson, AZ

Featured on-stage performer for month long professional theatre production; original music by Jake Sorgen

2015

Rebirth Brass Band, Opener	<p>May 20, 2015 The Rialto, Tucson, AZ Opening act for Rebirth Brass Band with Jimmy Carr & the Awkward Moments</p>
Open Embodiments and Somatechnics Conference	<p>April 15-18, 2015 Tucson, AZ Accepted applicant and performer of international conference on embodiment; composed and choreographed performance art violin and voice study w/ Katie Haverly</p>
ChamberLab: Buster Keaton	<p>Feb 28, 2015 Fox Theatre, Tucson, AZ Feb 28 Concert master for live screening of Buster Keaton's "The General" with new original score compositions</p>
2014	
Church of Beethoven	<p>June 2014 Maker House, Tucson, AZ Collaborative performance of original and arranged compositions alongside queer poet, Kristen Nelson and ChamberLab founder, Chris Black</p>
Casa Libre Gala	<p>Feb 22, 2014 YWCA, Tucson, AZ Headlining Performer w Tere Fowler Chapman 10th Anniversary Gala for Casa Libre</p>
2013	
Opener for Sergio Mendoza	<p>Dec 28, 2013 Crescent Ballroom, Phoenix, AZ Performer with Tango Rosano opening for internationally renowned group Sergio Mendoza</p>
Tucson Great Cover-Up	<p>Dec 13, 2013 Hotel Congress, Tucson, AZ Nick Cave covers arranged by ChamberLab founder Chris Black</p>

Bicas Art Auction	Dec 5, 2013 Whistle Stop Depot, Tucson, AZ Debut performance with Two-Door Hatchback
ChamberLab	Sept 30, 2013 Hotel Congress, Tucson, AZ Featured violinist for Chamber Lab line-up of alt-classical new compositions with live painting from esteemed muralist, Joe Pagac

2012

[No performances Oct 2012-June 2013, served as a volunteer with AmeriCorps NCCC, Congressional Award Winner]

2010

Guest artist, Lewis Nielson concert series	November 2010 Oberlin Conservatory, Oberlin, OH
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2009

Concerto for violin and piano, Lou Harrison	May 2009 Oberlin Conservatory, Oberlin, OH Soloist with Oberlin Wind Ensemble
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2007

Oberlin Orchestra	January 2007 Carnegie Hall, New York, NY Renowned conductor Robert Spano conducts selected Oberlin Students at Carnegie for performance of Jennifer Higdon, Mozart and Bartok
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2006

Academy Festival Orchestra	Spring 2006 Albuquerque Academy, Albuquerque Solo performance of Mozart Violin Concerto No. 3 in GM
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2005

New Mexico Symphony Orch. Pops	Dec 2005 Popejoy Hall, Albuquerque, NM Featured youth soloist on holiday pop concert series
UNM Children's Hospital Benefit	Sept 2005 Albuquerque, NM Invited featured youth performer for the University of New Mexico hospital benefit
Brandenburg Concerto No. 4,	Fall 2005 Albuquerque Academy, Albuquerque, NM Audition winner and featured concert soloist with the Academy Festival Orchestra
	2003
Albuquerque Youth Symphony	Spring 2003 Carnegie Hall, New York, NY Concertmaster and soloist for high school orchestra and Carnegie Hall premiere performance
	2001
New Mexico Symphony Orchestra	Oct 2001 Popejoy Hall, Albuquerque, NM Hand selected featured youth performer, one of three; performed the third movement of Mozart's Concerto No. 3

HONORS & AWARDS

Grant Recipient, Pivot Grant, Arts Foundation for Tucson & Southern Arizona, Tucson, AZ (2020-21)

Grant Recipient, stArt mini-Grant, (2019-20)

2nd Place Finalist, FORGE Business Incubator, University of Arizona, Spring 2020

Scholarship Winner, Katie Haverly Artist Life Coaching, 2014

Recipient, Presidential Service Award, for volunteer service with Americorps NCCC, National 2012

Recipient, Congressional Service Award, for volunteer service with Americorps NCCC, National 2012

International Fellow, Winant and Clayton Scholar for non-profit work, London, UK, 2011

Scholarship recipient, Oberlin Dean's Merit Award Scholarship, Oberlin, OH, 2006-2010

Winner, Alpha Iota Honorary Scholarship, Albuquerque, NM, 2006

Winner, Santa Fe Pro Musica Grand Prize, Santa Fe, NM, 2005

Winner, Alpha Iota Honorary Scholarship Winner, Albuquerque, NM, 2005

Winner, Nicholas Green Distinguished Student Award with the National Association of Gifted Children, Albuquerque, NM, 1999-2000

SELECTED PROFESSIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

Panel for Grant Review, Arts Foundation General Operating Support, 2019-2020

Vice President, Board of Directors, Casa Libre En La Solana, Arizona, May 2018-June 2019

Member, Board of Directors, Casa Libre En La Solana, Arizona, Oct 2017-May 2018

Corps Member, Americorps NCCC, Pacific West Coast, Fall 2011-Spring 2012

ADD ARTS FOUNDATION GRANT COMMITTEE

ADD MUSIC CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS YOU'VE ATTENDED

PERFORMANCE ENSEMBLES

RogueViolin	2020-present Santa Cruz, CA Solo violin looping & production alias
Sapphocracy	2020 Tucson, AZ Duo project w/ vocalist Erin Henderson
Lucky Devils Band	2019 Tucson, AZ Violinist for corporate gig service

Southern Arizona Symphony Orchestra	2016-2018 Tucson, AZ Guest violin section leader for semi-professional community
Two-Door Hatchback	2013-2019 Tucson, AZ Piano, guitar, violin and trumpet acoustic jazz and rag-based band.
Jimmy Carr & the Awkward Moments	2013-19 Tucson, AZ Accordion based, New Orleans style & neo-classical band
Half-Broke Town	2017-18 Tucson, AZ Founding member & song writer of electric-acoustic, blues and southeast soul influenced band
ChamberLab	2015-17 Tucson, AZ Featured composer and performer for Chis Black's alt-classical concert series
Rosano Tango	2013-2015 Tucson, AZ Tango quartet with esteemed jazz musicians Dante and Marco Rosano
Antler Room	2013 Tucson, AZ Folk, singer-songwriter collaboration with poet and musician Joni Wallace
Mishaped Pearls	2011 London, UK Guest violinist for London based Celtic pop-indie band