



## Press Release

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## **MYAC Welcomes New Program Coordinator!**



MYAC is excited to welcome Nick McKee as our new Orchestra and Chamber Music Program Coordinator! Nick is a recent graduate of Illinois State University where he received his Master's in String Pedagogy and has a Bachelor's in Music Performance from George Mason University. He served as Principal Violist of the Illinois State and George Mason Symphony Orchestra and was the winner of the 2020 GMU Concerto Competition. Nick was also featured in the 2020 GMU faculty ensemble series as a featured performer and is a viola section member of the Peoria Symphony. He has participated in various music festivals including Philadelphia International Music Festival, Sewanee Summer Music Festival, and was a twice returning fellowship student at the Chloe Trevor Music Academy. Having an immense passion for chamber music, he has performed many string ensemble works, operas, musicals, and is a highly requested chamber musician.

Nick initially discovered MYAC through his former teacher, an alum of MYAC's very first season. When entering the office, he was extremely impressed by the skill level as well as the shared passion for music in all of the students here.

"I love interacting with the students/families and building a sense of community," Nick stated, "This is something I believe really sets MYAC apart from other organizations."