

Justin C. Knoepfel, DMA

Enneagram: 7w6

CliftonStrengths: Empathy, Positivity, Adaptability, Includer, Restorative

EXPERIENCE

Chair of the Department of Music and Associate Professor of Music 2019-current

Department of Music, Gustavus Adolphus College (Saint Peter, MN)

- Conductor of the Gustavus Symphony Orchestra (2022--current)
- String area head, strong recruiting record (adjunct coordinator, instrument inventory maintenance)
- Studio lessons for viola and violin, seminars, and studio classes
- Recruitment of talented major and non-majors
- Theory I/Aural Skills instructor
- First Term Seminar course: *Music of the Berlin Wall*
- Sabbatical Spring 2020 Project: *Viola Music of Underrepresented Composers*
- Oversees department of 11 full-time faculty members and 29 adjunct instructors
- Managed departmental budget, staffing, curriculum management and development, and student learning outcomes and assessment
- Carries out the mission, vision, and direction for our forward-thinking department
- Implementation and follow through of annual reviews for faculty
- Departmental liaison to Friends of Music (FOM), a network of alumni and friends at Gustavus
- Sympathetic to the mission and direction of the college
- Maintains beneficial relationships with Admissions, Provost's and Dean's Offices, Advancement, and other constituencies across campus

Assistant Professor of Music of Music 2013-2019

Department of Music, Gustavus Adolphus College (Saint Peter, MN)

- String area head (adjunct coordinator, instrument inventory maintenance)
- Recruitment of talented major and non-majors
- Studio lessons for viola and violin, seminars, and studio classes
- Conductor of the Gustavus Philharmonic Orchestra (2010-2019)
- Theory I/Aural Skills instructor
- Music History I instructor
- First Term Seminar course: *Music of the Berlin Wall*

Visiting Assistant Professor 2011-2013

Department of Music, Gustavus Adolphus College (Saint Peter, MN)

- Chamber music coordinator and coach
- Studio lessons for viola and violin, seminars, and studio classes
- Conductor of the Gustavus Philharmonic Orchestra (2011-2013)
- Theory I/Aural Skills instructor

Visiting Instructor of Music 2010-2011

Department of Music, Gustavus Adolphus College (Saint Peter, MN)

- Chamber music coordinator and coach
- Studio lessons for viola and violin, seminars, and studio classes
- Conductor of the Gustavus Philharmonic Orchestra
- Theory I/Aural Skills instructor

Adjunct Viola Instructor 2009-2010

Department of Music, Gustavus Adolphus College (Saint Peter, MN)

- Studio viola lessons, seminars, and studio classes

Sales Associate

2006-2010

Claire Givens Violins (Minneapolis, MN)

- Responsible for sales of fine violins, viola, cellos, and bows

Tax Associate (MERS)

2005-2006

Deloitte & Touche (Minneapolis, MN)

- Tax associate responsible in the Meals and Entertainment Recovery Substantiation division (Tax department)

EDUCATION

DMA in Viola Performance (Secondary Emphasis - Music Theory)

University of Minnesota (Minneapolis, MN)

Thesis: "BACH'S VIOLA CONCERTO: A Transposition, Transcription, and Reconstruction of BWV 169, 49, & 1053"

Committee: Korey Konkol (Chair), Tanya Remenikova, David Damschroder

MM in Viola Performance

University of Minnesota (Minneapolis, MN)

Committee: Kory Konkol (Chair), Kelley Harness, David Damschroder, Scott Lipscomb

BA in Music (Violin and Music Management)

Luther College (Decorah, IA)

SERVICE TO THE COLLEGE

Department Chair (Music)	2019-current
Gustavus Wind Orchestra Conductor Search Committee	2025-current
Faculty Senator (4-yr term)	2024-current
Lilly Fellows Program in the Humanities and Arts - Liaison	2013-current
President's Capital Planning Team	2024-2025
Lilly National Network Annual Conference – <i>Westmont College</i> (Santa Barbara, CA)	2024
Lilly National Network Annual Conference – <i>Aquinas College</i> (Grand Rapids, MI)	2023
Vice President of Enrollment Management Search Committee	2022-2023
Lilly National Network Annual Conference – <i>Lipscomb University</i> (Nashville, TN)	2022
MuDEI Subcommittee	2021-2023
DEC Search Committee	2021-2022
Ethnomusicology Tenure-Track Position Search Committee	2021-2022
Lilly National Network Annual Conference - <i>Boston College</i> (Boston, MA)	2021
Fine Arts COVID Action Team Co-Chair	2020-2021
Department Chairs and Program Directors Committee	2019-2024
Lilly National Network Annual Conference - <i>Baylor University</i> (Waco, TX)	2019
Lilly National Network Annual Conference - <i>Hope College</i> (Holland, MI)	2018
CAPSUB Committee	2017-2019
Lilly National Network Annual Conference - <i>Loyola Marymount University</i> (L.A., CA)	2017
Christmas in Christ Chapel, Gustavus Signature Event (Bloch - <i>Suite Hebraïque</i>)	2015
Student Conduct Board	2014-2018

Faculty Committee on Student Life	2014-2016
Lilly National Network Annual Conference - <i>Xavier University</i> (New Orleans, LA)	2014
Cantor of Christ Chapel Search Committee	2014
Director of Jazz Studies Tenure-Track Jazz Search Committee	2013
Lilly National Network Annual Conference - <i>University of Scranton</i> (Scranton, PA)	2013
Founder and director of the first Gustavus Summer Music Strings Institute (SMSI)	2012
<i>Re:vive</i> Campus Ministry Faculty Advisory	2012-2015
CRU Faculty Advisor	2011-2021

EXTERNAL SERVICE

Wooddale Church Orchestra – Principal Viola	2023-current
Greater Twin Cities Youth Symphonies (GTCYS) - Judge and Section Coach	2017-current
South Dakota Symphony - Guest Violist	2013-current
Twin Cities Freelance Violist - In High Demand	2008-current
Minnesota Opera - Substitute Section Viola	2008-current
Tri-Metro Conference Festival – Festival Orchestra Conductors	Feb. 2024
Dorian Orchestra Festival – Festival Conductor	Feb. 2023
SEMYO String Competition - Finals String Competition Judge	2016, 2019
Rochester Music Guild - Finals String Competition Judge	2017, 2018
University of Northwestern St. Paul - Concerto/Aria Judge	2018
Mankato Area Youth Symphonies (MAYSO) - Viola Section Coach	2017-2020
Mankato Symphony Orchestra - Principal viola	2015-2024
Hosanna Lutheran Church - Board of Governance	2014-2020
Mary West Solo Competition (MNSOTA) - Preliminary and Finals Judge	2010
Exultate Chamber Orchestra & Chorus - Principal Viola	2008-2009
University of Minnesota - Rotating Principal Viola	2007-2009
University of Minnesota - Section Viola	2005-2006
Salem Music Academy - Applied Violin/Viola Lessons	2004-2005
La Crosse Symphony Orchestra - Associate Principal First Violin	2003-2004

COURSES TAUGHT

- CUR 220/225: *Musical Understanding*
- FTS 100-187: *Berlin Wall Music*
- MUS 103: *Music Theory I*
- MUS 111: *Ear Training I*
- MUS 170: *Gustavus Symphony Orchestra*
- MUS 171: *Gustavus Philharmonic Orchestra*
- MUS 173: *String Chamber Ensemble*
- MUS 261/361 & MUS 262/362: *Studio Violin and Viola Lessons*
- MUS 332: *String Techniques*
- MUS 374: *History of Western Music I*

PERFORMANCES – SOLO, CHAMBER, ORCHESTRAL

Oratorio Society of MN – Music of Britten, Hawes	Nov. 2025
Prior Lake Festival – Music of Hasse, Bach, Vivaldi	Oct. 2025
Magnum Chorum – Music of Runestad	May 2025

Oratorio Society of MN – Music of Vaughan Williams	Apr. 2025
Musicorum – Performance of Bach BWV 4	Apr. 2025
BorderCrossing – Performance of Golijov (Ordway)	Apr. 2025
Minnesota Opera – Premiere of <i>A Snowy Day</i> (4 performances)	Feb. 2025
Wooddale Church – <i>Christmas at Wooddale</i> (4 performances)	Dec. 2024
Minneapolis Pops Orchestra – 8 concerts (mostly American standards)	July 2024
St. Mark’s Cathedral – Music of Ravel, Vaughan Williams	May 2024
Mankato Symphony – Music of Dvorak	May 2024
The Singers – Music of Aaron David Miller, Jake Runestad	Apr. 2024
Oratorio Society of MN – Spring Concert	Apr. 2024
Mankato Symphony – Copland, Stravinsky	Mar. 2024
Dakota Valley – Performance with the Dakota Valley high school festival choirs.	Feb. 2024
Music on the Hill – Performance of music by Price, Mozart, Gershwin, Ginastera	Jan. 2024
Loyce Holton’s “Nutcracker Fantasy” - Six Performances of Tchaikovsky’s <i>Nutcracker</i>	Dec. 2023
Wooddale Church – <i>Christmas at Wooddale</i> (4 performances)	Dec. 2023
Wooddale Church – Music of Bach, etc.	Oct. 2023
Mankato Symphony – Performance of music by Brahms, Tchaikovsky	Sep. 2023
Mankato Symphony – Benson Park	Sep. 2023
Mankato Symphony – Performance of music by Dvorak, Prokofiev, Abels	Mar. 2023
Wooddale Church – Christmas Eve Viola Performance	Dec. 2022
Loyce Holton’s “Nutcracker Fantasy” - Six Performances of Tchaikovsky’s <i>Nutcracker</i>	Dec. 2022
House of Hope Church – Performance of Bach’s Cantata BWV 8	Nov. 2022
Oratorio Society of MN – Performance of Haydn’s <i>The Creation</i>	Nov. 2022
Together in Hope – US Premiere of Kim André Arnesen’s <i>The Stranger</i>	Oct. 2022
Mankato Symphony – Music of Rimsky-Korsakov, F. Price, and Glinka	Oct. 2022
Mankato Symphony – <i>Symphony on the Prairie</i> performance	Sep. 2022
Oratorio Society of MN – Performance of Rogers & Hammerstein works	July 2022
Gustavus Choir - Performance of Bach BWV 90	May 2022
VocalEssence – Midwest Premiere of Stewart Copeland’s <i>Satan’s Fall</i>	May 2022
South Dakota Symphony – Performance of Strauss and James L. Adams <i>Atlas of Deep Time</i>	May 2022
U of St. Thomas – Performance and premiere of James Callahan Organ Concerti	Apr. 2022
Musicorum – Performance of Charlie Leftridge’s <i>Prima Materia</i>	Apr. 2022
Minnesota Valley Chorale - Performance of music by Vivaldi	Apr. 2022
Mankato Symphony - Performance of Beethoven Symphonies 5 and 9	Mar. 2022
Wooddale Church - Viola Performance	Dec. 2021
Loyce Holton’s “Nutcracker Fantasy” - Six Performances of Tchaikovsky’s <i>Nutcracker</i>	Dec. 2021
Minnesota Valley Chorale - Performance of music by Vivaldi, Bach, Inniger	Nov. 2021
Magnum Chorum - Performance of Fauré’s <i>Requiem</i>	Nov. 2021
The Eagles – Two performances of the complete <i>Hotel California: The Complete Album</i> tour	Oct. 2021
Bridge Chamber Music Festival - Performance of Mendelssohn Viola Quintet	Aug. 2021
South Dakota Symphony - Performance of music by Beethoven with Emmanuel Ax	May 2021
Mankato Symphony - Music of Vivaldi, Bach, and Vaughan-Williams	Apr. 2021
Wooddale Church - Solo viola performance	Dec. 2020
Mankato Symphony - Jack MacGowan’s Farm event	Sep. 2020
South Dakota Symphony – Two performances of the music of John Williams.	Mar. 2020
Jazz Jamboree – 50th year anniversary of the jazz band at Gustavus: Dave Stamps premiere	Mar. 2020
Ballet West – Music of Faure, Stravinsky, and Tchaikovsky (Northop)	Feb. 2020
Sonamento – Performance of music of Handel and Haydn	Jan. 2020
South Dakota Symphony – Performance of Ravel’s ballet <i>Daphnis and Chloe</i> .	Jan. 2020
St. John’s Lakeville – Holiday performance with choir and string quartet.	Dec. 2019
Mary Beth Carlson – Performance with renowned pianist Mary Beth Carlson.	Dec. 2019
Hosanna Lakeville – 5 performances with conductor Courtney Lewis.	Dec. 2019

South Dakota Symphony – Hindemith and Mussorgsky’s <i>Pictures at an Exhibition</i> .	Nov. 2019
Oratorio Society of MN – Performance of Durufle’s <i>Requiem</i> .	Nov. 2019
Dakota Valley – Performance with the Dakota Valley high school festival choirs.	Oct. 2019
Minnesota Opera – Five Performances of Richard Strauss’ <i>Electra</i> w/ Elias Grandi	Oct. 2019
Oratorio Society of MN – Performance of “A Night at the Opera”	Aug. 2019
Gustavus Symphony Orchestra – Performance of Brahms’ <i>Ein Deutsches Requiem</i>	May 2019
Mankato Symphony – Performance of Handel’s <i>Messiah</i>	May 2019
South Dakota Symphony – Performances of Mahler’s Symphony No. 8	Apr. 2019
Oratorio Society of MN – Performances of <i>Victoria: A Life in Music</i> .	Apr. 2019
The Joffrey Ballet – performances of <i>Anna Karenina</i> (Northrop).	Mar. 2019
Final Fantasy Concert – Music of <i>Final Fantasy</i> (Orpheum Theater, Mpls).	Mar. 2019
Mankato Symphony – classical series performance.	Feb. 2019
Hosanna Lakeville – 5 performances with conductor Courtney Lewis.	Dec. 2018
Gustavus Wind Orchestra – Midwest premiere of James Syler’s <i>Love Among the Ruins</i>	Nov. 2018
Mankato Symphony – Fall classical series concert	Oct. 2018
Gustavus Adolphus College – Performance on Dr. Esther Wang’s, Brahms	Sep. 2018
Bridge Chamber Music Festival – Performance of Mozart, Mendelssohn (Northfield, MN).	Aug. 2018
Opera at Mill City – Seven performances (viola section) of Bizet’s <i>Carmen</i>	Jul. 2018
Gustavus Philharmonic – Soloist and conductor in Telemann’s <i>Concerto for Viola and Strings</i> .	May 2018
Musicorum – Performance of Durufle’s <i>Requiem</i> conducted by Dr. Brandon Dean	Apr. 2018
Mankato Symphony – YMCA outreach concert (<i>Mozart and Me</i>)	Mar. 2018
University of Minnesota – contracted to perform in Vaughan-Williams’ <i>Five Mystical Songs</i>	Mar. 2018
Mankato Symphony – Annual CandyCane holiday concert.	Dec. 2017
Mary Beth Carlson - Christmas performance Robert Robinson, gospel singer.	Dec. 2017
Macphail – Performance of Purcell’s <i>Dido</i> with chorus and orchestra.	Dec. 2017
Oratorio Society of Minnesota - Performance of <i>The Armed Man</i> by Karl Jenkins (Ordway).	Nov. 2017
Apple Valley Choral Festival – Performance of several works with choir and orchestra.	Nov. 2017
Nobel Conference 53 Concert – Performance of Dr. Alexandra Bryant’s <i>Lady Isabelle</i> .	Oct. 2017
Bridge Chamber Music Festival – Performance of Glinka’s Piano Quintet (Northfield, MN)	Aug. 2017
World Piano Competition – Performance of a Mozart and Chopin piano concerto (Bethel)	Jul. 2017
A Musical Paradigm – Performance of Shostakovich’s Symphony No. 5.	Jun. 2017
Zelda: A Concert Experience – Performance at Orpheum Theater of music from <i>Zelda</i>	May 2017
Mankato Symphony – Performance of Stravinsky’s <i>The Firebird</i> .	May 2017
Oratorio Society of Minnesota – World premiere of Randall Thompson’s <i>Requiem</i> (Ordway)	Apr. 2017
Mankato Symphony – Performance of Orff’s <i>Carmina Burana</i> .	Apr. 2017
Mankato Symphony – YMCA outreach performance	Mar. 2017
Mankato Symphony – Performance of Dvorak’s Symphony No. 9 “From the New World”	Feb. 2017
Amy Grant and Michael W. Smith – Performances at Target Center	Dec. 2016
Oratorio Society of Minnesota – Christmas program	Nov. 2016
Minnesota Opera – 5 Performances of Wagner’s <i>Das Rheingold</i> w/ Michael Christie	Nov. 2016
Nobel Conference 52 Concert– Solo performance of Franck’s <i>Violin Sonata in A Major</i>	Oct. 2016
Oratorio Society of Minnesota – Einhorn’s <i>Voices of Light</i> with the 1928 film <i>Joan of Arc</i>	Sep. 2016
South Dakota Symphony – Music by John Williams, Zimmer and other film composers	Apr. 2016
Minnesota Opera – Eight performances of Puccini’s <i>Tosca</i> with Ann Manson conducting	Mar. 2016
Gustavus Adolphus College – Solo recital of Schubert, Bach, Glinka and Shostakovich	Feb. 2016
Luther College – Guest artist recital of Schubert, Bach, Glinka and Shostakovich	Feb. 2016
Chris Rupp CD Release – Performance <i>Home Free</i> ’s Chris Rupp (CD release <i>Shine</i>)	Jan. 2016
Amy Grant and Michael W. Smith – Performances at Target Center	Dec. 2015
Mary Beth Carlson - Christmas performance with Robert Robinson and Mary Beth Carlson	Dec. 2015
Church of St. John – Performances of Christmas concert	Dec. 2015
Gustavus Adolphus College – Five performances of Bloch’s <i>Suite Hebraïque</i>	Dec. 2015
Holiday Music – Numerous performances in Minneapolis for solo viola music	Dec. 2015

Bakken Museum – performance of string quartet music.	Nov. 2015
Mankato Symphony Orchestra – Performance of Brahms Symphony No. 1	Oct. 2015
Ballet West – Performance of Bernstein and Gershwin to full ballet (Northrop Auditorium)	Oct. 2015
Gustavus Adolphus College – Shostakovich’s <i>String Quartet No. 8</i> for Nobel Concert	Oct. 2015
Bridge Chamber Music Festival – Performance of Ginastera and Franck chamber music	Aug. 2015
Minnesota Oratorio Society - Performance of <i>Great Opera Choruses</i>	Aug. 2015
Idina Menzel – Solo viola performance with Grammy-winner, Idina Menzel	Jul. 2015
Mankato Symphony Orchestra - <i>Rockin’ Fourth of July Concert</i> at Vetter Amphitheater	Jul. 2015
South Metro Chorale - Performances of Faure’s <i>Requiem</i>	May 2015
Temple Israel – <i>The Jewish Soul</i> with Klezmer clarinetist David Krakauer for Shabbat Service	Apr. 2015
Mankato Symphony Orchestra – <i>The Jewish Soul</i> with Klezmer clarinetist David Krakauer	Apr. 2015
Gustavus Adolphus College – Performance in honor of the 25th year of 3CC	Apr. 2015
South Dakota Symphony - Holst’s <i>The Planets</i> and works with “Time for Three”	Mar. 2015
South Dakota Symphony - Performances of Wagner’s opera <i>The Flying Dutchman</i>	Feb. 2015
Gustavus Adolphus College – Recital of Bach, Britten, Hindemith and Franck	Feb. 2015
South Dakota Symphony - Strauss’ <i>Don Quixote</i> and Gorecki’s Symphony No. 3	Jan. 2015
South Dakota Symphony - Performances of Mozart’s Piano Concerto No. 23 in A Major	Jan. 2015
Mary Beth Carlson - Christmas performance Super Bowl winner Ben Utecht (Indy Colts)	Dec. 2014
Oratorio Society of Minnesota - <i>A Downton Abbey Christmas</i> with Dr. Matthew Mehaffey	Dec. 2014
Oratorio Society of Minnesota – Performance of Mendelssohn’s <i>Saint Paul</i> Oratorio.	Nov. 2014
Edina Chorale – <i>An American Portrait</i> performances for string quartet and choir	Nov. 2014
Minnesota Opera – Performances of Humperdinck’s <i>Hansel and Gretel</i>	Nov. 2014
Cathedral of Saint Paul – Performance of Faure’s <i>Requiem</i> .	Nov. 2014
Gustavus Adolphus College – <i>Rebecca M. Bergman Inaugural Concert</i> performance of Mozart	Oct. 2014
Bridge Chamber Music Festival – Performance of Saint-Saens and Tchaikovsky	Aug. 2014
South Metro Chorale – Performances of Haydn’s <i>The Creation</i>	May 2014
South Dakota Symphony – Performances of Mendelssohn’s <i>A Midsummer Night’s Dream</i>	Feb. 2014
South Dakota Symphony – <i>Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon</i> music.	Jan. 2014
Hosanna Lutheran Church – Performances of Hosanna Christmas concert (Lakeville, MN)	Dec. 2013
South Dakota Symphony – Performances of Chopin and Beethoven	Oct. 2013
Minnesota Orchestra – Performance of Weber’s <i>Der Freischütz</i> Tchaikovsky’s Sym. 5	Sep. 2013
Bridge Chamber Music Festival – Performance of Dvorak’s Viola Quintet Op. 97	Aug. 2013
Lutheran Summer Music – Principal violist with Bach’s “ <i>Christ lag in Todesbanden</i> ” BWV 4	Jun. 2013
Lutheran Summer Music – Omega String Quartet, Shostakovich and Brahms	Jun. 2013
Lutheran Summer Music – Vaughan-Williams <i>Four Songs</i> for Tenor, Viola and Piano	Jun. 2013
Lutheran Summer Music – Performance of Britten’s <i>Elegy</i> , Op. posthumous for solo viola	Jun. 2013
Gustavus Adolphus College – Mass in G (Schubert) with Greg Aune and Gustavus Choir	May 2013
South Dakota Symphony – Dawn Upshaw and Canteloube, Ravel, Golijov, Mendelssohn	Apr. 2013
Gustavus Adolphus College – Mozart’s <i>Sinfonia Concertante</i> with the Gustavus Symphony	Apr. 2013
Gustavus Adolphus College – Performance of Haydn’s <i>Seven Last Words of Christ</i>	Apr. 2013
Gustavus Adolphus College – Brandenburg Concerto No. 6 in Bb Major, BWV 1051	Nov. 2012
The Royal Visit – Their Majesties King Carl XVI Gustaf and Queen Silvia of Sweden solo	Oct. 2012
Gustavus Adolphus College – Mozart, Paulus, Clarke, and Handel-Halvorsen	Sep. 2012
Lutheran Summer Music – Performance of Bach’s “ <i>Was Gott tut, das ist wohlgetan</i> ” BWV 99	Jul. 2012
Lutheran Summer Music – <i>Faculty Artist Recital</i> performance of Walton’s <i>Facade</i> (Decorah, IA)	Jul. 2012
Lutheran Summer Music – Beethoven, Haydn, Balakrishnan’s <i>Coelacanth</i>	Jul. 2012
Lutheran Summer Music – Britten’s <i>Lachrymae: Reflections on a Song of Dowland</i>	Jul. 2012
Lutheran Summer Music – Dan Miller’s “Great is thy Faithfulness”	Jun. 2012
Minnesota Opera – Eight performances of Puccini’s <i>Madame Butterfly</i>	Apr. 2012
Gustavus Adolphus College – Brahms’ <i>Piano Quartet in C Minor</i>	Mar. 2012
Minnesota Opera – Five performances of Donizetti’s <i>Lucia di Lammermoor</i>	Mar. 2012
Minnesota Opera – Five performances of Massenet’s <i>Werther</i>	Feb. 2012

Gustavus Adolphus College – Prelude performance with Dr. Chad Winterfeldt	Jan. 2012
Gustavus Symphony Orchestra – Bruch’s Concerto for Clarinet and Viola in E Minor, Op. 88	Nov. 2011
Minnesota Opera – World Premiere of Steven Puts’ Pulitzer Prize-winning <i>Silent Night</i>	Nov. 2011
The Singers – Two performances of Durufle’s <i>Requiem</i> (St. Paul, MN).	Oct. 2011
Gustavus Adolphus College – Lynn Trapp’s <i>Cantilene</i> for Viola and Organ	May 2011
Minnesota Opera – Eight performances of Verdi’s <i>La Traviata</i>	Mar. 2011
Edina Choral Festival – Ferguson’s “Ah, Holy Jesus“ with Weston Noble	Feb. 2011
Gustavus Adolphus College – Recital of Mozart, Bach, Gabriela Frank, Britten	Feb. 2011
Gustavus Adolphus College – Grainger, Bach, and Manz	Jan. 2011
Gustavus Adolphus College – Chamber ensemble holiday performance	Dec. 2010
Minnesota Valley Teachers Association – Performance at their annual Christmas brunch	Dec. 2010
North Heights Lutheran Church – “Hallelujah” Christmas production	Dec. 2010
Hosanna Lutheran Church – The “Cantata” Christmas production	Dec. 2010
The Singers – Faure’s <i>Requiem</i> at the Basilica of Saint Mary (Minneapolis, MN)	Oct. 2010
Gustavus Adolphus College – Daily chapel performance of Bach’s BWV 1027	Oct. 2010
Arts Center of Saint Peter – Gustavus String Quartet performance for “An Evening in Venice”	Oct. 2010
Nobel Conference 46 <i>Making Food Good</i> – Participated in a program of food-centered pieces	Oct. 2010
Dorian Music Festival – Performed Grainger’s <i>The Sussex Mummer’s Christmas Carol</i>	Jun. 2010
Minnesota Opera – Five performances of Puccini’s <i>La Boheme</i>	Mar. 2010
Minnesota Opera – Five performances of Donizetti’s <i>Roberto Devereux</i>	Feb. 2010
Mark David Williams/Mary Beth Carlson – “The Miracle of Christmas” (KARE11 show)	Dec. 2009
Cedar Valley Church - Christmas production, “The Child” (Bloomington, MN)	Dec. 2009
Minnesota Opera – Five performances of Bizet’s <i>The Pearl Fishers</i>	Sep. 2009
Minnesota Opera – American premiere of Jonathan Dove’s <i>The Adventures of Pinocchio</i>	Mar. 2009
Luther College – Performed selections by Paulus, Shostakovich and Bach	Jan. 2009
Bethel University - Performance of Stephen Paulus’ <i>Seven for the Flowers Near the River</i>	Dec. 2007
National Lutheran Choir - Performance of select works for Viola, Cello, and Chorus	Nov. 2006
University of Minnesota - World premiere of <i>Reminiscence of Childhood</i> by Yoon Hee Hwang	Dec. 2005
University of Minnesota - Numerous chamber and solo recitals for graduate work	2005-2009

Conducting

Gustavus Symphony Orchestra – Christmas in Christ Chapel (4 performances, live-streamed)	Dec. 2025
Gustavus Symphony Orchestra – Fall Concert (Humperdinck, Schwartz, Mussorgsky, Elgar)	Nov 2025
Gustavus Symphony Orchestra – Family Weekend Concert (Humperdinck, Schwartz)	Oct 2025
Gustavus Symphony Orchestra – Duncairne Carnegie Hall Concert (Ireland/Scotland tour)	May 2025
Gustavus Symphony Orchestra – Edinburgh Greyfriar’s Kirk Concert (Ireland/Scotland tour)	May 2025
Gustavus Symphony Orchestra – Belfast Cathedral Concert (Ireland/Scotland tour)	May 2025
Gustavus Symphony Orchestra – Derry Guildhall Concert (Ireland/Scotland tour)	May 2025
Gustavus Symphony Orchestra – Dublin Church Concert (Ireland/Scotland tour)	May 2025
Gustavus Symphony Orchestra – Concerto/Aria Concert	Apr. 2025
Gustavus Symphony Orchestra – Winter Concert (Dvorak, Grofé)	Mar. 2025
Gustavus Symphony Orchestra – Christmas in Christ Chapel (4 performances, live-streamed)	Dec. 2024
Gustavus Symphony Orchestra – Fall Concert (Dvorak, Hanson, Nielsen, Bizet)	Nov 2024
Gustavus Symphony Orchestra – Family Weekend Concert (Bizet)	Oct. 2024
Minneapolis Pops Orchestra – Cover Conductor	July 2024
Gustavus Symphony Orchestra – Concerto/Aria Concert	May 2024
Gustavus Symphony Orchestra – Spring concert (Tchaikovsky 5)	Mar. 2024
Tri-Metro Conference Festival – Conducted students from 8 different high schools	Feb. 2024
Gustavus Symphony Orchestra – Christmas in Christ Chapel (4 performances, live-streamed)	Dec. 2023
Björling Music Festival – Music of Holst, Vaughan Williams, Grainger	Nov 2023

Gustavus Symphony Orchestra – Music of Vaughan Williams, Tchaikovsky	Nov 2023
Gustavus Symphony Orchestra – Music of Wagner (Family Weekend performance)	Oct. 2023
Gustavus Symphony Orchestra – Music of Wagner (Nobel Conference performance)	Oct. 2023
Gustavus Symphony Orchestra – Music of Beethoven, Pauer, Shaw, Sibelius	May 2023
Gustavus Symphony Orchestra – Music of Sibelius, Mozart	Apr. 2023
Gustavus Symphony Orchestra – Christmas in Christ Chapel (4 performance, live-streamed)	Dec. 2022
Gustavus Symphony Orchestra – Music of Sibelius, F. Price, Schubert, & Mozart	Nov.2022
Gustavus Symphony Orchestra – Music of Bizet (Family Weekend performance)	Oct. 2022
Gustavus Symphony Orchestra – Music of Bizet (Nobel Conference performance)	Sep. 2022
Gustavus Philharmonic Orchestra – Music of Knoepfel, Vaughan Williams, and Vivaldi	Nov 2019
Björling Music Festival – Music of Grieg, Vaughan Williams, and Vivaldi	Nov 2019
Gustavus Philharmonic Orchestra – Spring Concert with music of Respighi, Gershwin	May 2019
Björling Music Festival – Conducted the honor orchestra in music of Whitacre and Holst	Nov.2018
Gustavus Philharmonic Orchestra – Fall concert	Nov.2018
Gustavus Symphony Orchestra – Music of Arvo Pärt, Hodinott, Gordeli, Verdi, and Stravinsky.	May 2018
Gustavus Philharmonic Orchestra – Music of Adler, Britten, and Telemann	May 2018
Gustavus Symphony Orchestra – Conducted a program of Sibelius, Grieg, and Franck	Mar. 2018
Gustavus Philharmonic Orchestra – Music of Bartok, Vaughan-Williams, and Holst	Dec. 2017
Iowa Music Educators Association – Conducted the Junior High/Middle School Honors	Nov.2017
Gustavus Philharmonic Orchestra – Music of Handel (3 organ concerti) and Mendelssohn	May 2017
Gustavus Philharmonic Orchestra – Conducted a program of Bach (double violin concerto)	Dec. 2016
Gustavus Philharmonic Orchestra – Music of Handel, Bach, etc.	May 2016
Gustavus Philharmonic Orchestra – Conducted a program of Bach and Elgar	Dec. 2015
Dorian Music Camps – Guest conductor, music of John Williams, Jay Ungar, and Knoepfel	Jun. 2015
Gustavus Philharmonic Orchestra – Conducted the Lucia Singers in Vivaldi's <i>Gloria</i> .	May 2015
Gustavus Philharmonic Orchestra – Conducted a performance of Handel, Hovhannes, and Bach	Mar. 2015
Gustavus Philharmonic Orchestra – Conducted the GPO in a performance of Handel and Corelli	Nov.2014
Dorian Music Camps – Guest conductor, music of Sibelius, Pärt, Wagner, etc.	Jun. 2014
Gustavus Philharmonic Orchestra – Conducted a performance of Nielsen, Pärt and Holst	May 2014
Gustavus Philharmonic Orchestra – Conducted a performance of Barber, Pärt, and Shostakovich	Apr. 2014
Gustavus Philharmonic Orchestra – Program of Bach's, Sibelius, and Vaughan-Williams	Dec. 2013
Dorian Summer Music Festival – Guest Conductor of the junior and senior high orchestras	Jun. 2013
Gustavus Philharmonic Orchestra – Conducted Handel, Britten, and Vaughan-Williams	May 2013
Gustavus Philharmonic Orchestra – Conducted Mendelssohn, Gershwin, and Leroy Anderson	Mar. 2013
Dorian Music Festival - Guest conductor of the senior high festival orchestra	Feb. 2013
Gustavus Philharmonic Orchestra – Conducted a program of Glazunov, Bach, and Bartok	Dec. 2012
Gustavus Philharmonic Orchestra – Performance of Bach's <i>Brandenburg Concerto No. 3</i>	Nov.2012
Gustavus Philharmonic Orchestra – Conducted music by Handel	Oct. 2012
Gustavus Philharmonic Orchestra – Conducted music by Fletcher and Holst	May 2012
Gustavus Philharmonic Orchestra – Conducted music by Mozart	Mar. 2012
Gustavus Philharmonic Orchestra – Conducted music by Handel, J.S. Bach, and C.P.E. Bach	Dec. 2011
Gustavus Philharmonic Orchestra – Conducted music by Handel	Oct. 2011
Gustavus Philharmonic Orchestra – Conducted music by Penderecki, Mendelssohn, and Elgar	May 2011
Gustavus Philharmonic Orchestra – Conducted music by Penderecki, and Mendelssohn	Mar. 2011
Gustavus Philharmonic Orchestra – Conducted medley of Christmas tunes	Dec. 2010
Gustavus Philharmonic Orchestra – Conducted music by Handel, Purcell, and Britten	Nov.2010
Gustavus Philharmonic Orchestra – Conducted music by Handel	Oct. 2010
Dorian Orchestra Festival – Guest conductor of the Dorian Orchestra Festival	Feb. 2010

PUBLICATIONS

Knoepfel, Justin C., "An Unlikely Combination," *Journal of the Minnesota String Teachers Association*, Spring 2019, Print.

Knoepfel, Justin C., "Overcoming Performance Anxiety: A Violist's Journey," *Journal of the Minnesota String Teachers Association*, Fall 2018, Print.

Knoepfel, Justin C., "Expanding the Conversation: Our Connections to National Networks of Church-Related Colleges and Universities" *Rooted in Heritage, Open to the World: Reflections on the Distinctive Character of Gustavus Adolphus College*, edited by Marcia J. Bunge, 142-145, Lutheran University Press, 2016.

RECORDINGS

An Atlas of Deep Time by John Luther Adams (Premier recording - South Dakota Symphony, May 2024)

[*Love Among the Ruins*](#) by James Syler (Gustavus Wind Orchestra, James Patrick Miller, released 2020)

Lynn Peterson (Prairie Home Companion artist with music for the Vatican, released 2016)

Caroline Jones with arrangements by Adi Yeshaya (released 2015)

Castaway with Darren Scruggs (released May 2012)

Coventry Carol with Exultate Chorus and Orchestra (released December 2009)

The Miracle of Christmas with Mark David Williams & Mary Beth Carlson (released December 2009)

A Josh Groban Tribute for String Quartet (released Spring 2006)

GRANTS, HONORS, & AWARDS

Luther College – [Carlo A. Sperati Award](#), Oct. 2024

Gustavus Adolphus College - Various travel grants for conferences (Lilly Fellows National Conference)

Gustavus Adolphus College - Andrew W. Mellon Fellow in the Digital Humanities, Jan. 2017 & 2018

Gustavus Adolphus College - Kendall Center mini grant to bring *Turtle Island Quartet* for a residency and performance as part of the Fine Arts Series (Sep. 2016)

Gustavus Adolphus College - Lyceum Lecture Series grant to bring Dr. James Griesheimer (Prof. emeritus, Luther College) for a three day Music History and Colloquium Series residency, Nov. 2015

Gustavus Adolphus College - Paul Magnuson Award for Service (*Re:vive*), 2013

University of Minnesota - Berneking Fellowship, 2007-2010

University of Minnesota - Clarence L. Torp Fellowship, 2005-2007