

**~Ann Elliot Goldschmid~
2018 NIFPA Strings Adjudicator**



Ann Elliott-Goldschmid is the first violinist of the renowned Lafayette String Quartet, Artists in Residence at the University of Victoria.

A dedicated teacher as well as performer, Ms. Elliott's students grace major orchestras, string quartets and graduate schools. Together with her colleagues she offers a unique style of learning based on a strong emphasis in chamber music study which serves to enhance solo and orchestral playing.

As first violinist with the Lafayette String Quartet for over 30 years, she has performed all over North

America and Europe. The Lafayette Quartet's repertoire spans the entire spectrum of string quartet literature from the early works of Haydn and Boccherini to music of our time composed for the Lafayette Quartet by such esteemed composers as Murray Adaskin, Kelly-Marie Murphy and R. Murray Schafer. Included in their vast repertoire, the LSQ has performed the complete Beethoven Cycle, and, to celebrate the quartet's 30th anniversary last year, they performed the complete Shostakovich Cycle in a five-concert series. The LSQ often performs quintets with esteemed guests. Their 31st anniversary is taking them across Canada performing Octets with the Saguenay String Quartet.

For many years now Ms. Elliott and her colleagues have hosted Quartet Fest West, an intensive 10 days of string quartet study for advanced string students of high school and university age at the University of Victoria.

Ms. Elliott regularly performs on UVIC's Faculty Artists series in a rich variety of music from Stravinsky and Berg to PDQ Bach and Beethoven as well as works by UVIC composers.

Ms. Elliott has appeared as a soloist with Symphony Nova Scotia, the Victoria Symphony, Victoria Chamber Orchestra, Sooke Philharmonic, West Coast Symphony Orchestra and the Galiano Ensemble of Victoria (where she is also concert master). She was a student of Victor Yampolsky, Denes Zsigmondy, Nathan Milstein and Donald Weilerstein. Her primary chamber music coaches were Eugene Lehner, Rostislav Dubinsky and the members of the Cleveland String Quartet.