



Martha Walvoord, Assistant Professor of Violin at the University of Texas at Arlington, is an active chamber musician, soloist and recitalist. For the past four years, Dr. Walvoord has served as the concertmaster of the West Shore Symphony Orchestra in Muskegon, MI. Last year, Dr. Walvoord held the position of Artist-in-Residence at Hope College in Holland, MI, where she performed with the Anchor Piano Trio. Walvoord is a founding member of the Envision Chamber Consort, a non-profit chamber music group dedicated to new music. ECC recently commissioned several new works and is currently in the process of recording these works. As a chamber musician, Dr. Walvoord has performed in Leonard Nimoy's Chamber Music Series in Los Angeles, CA, at the Kennedy Center in Washington D.C. as a part

of a festival celebrating American dance, and as a fellow at the Tanglewood Music Center. This summer, Dr. Walvoord was the principal second violin and soloist with the Divertimento Orchestra, part of the Credomatic Festival of Costa Rica.

As a soloist, Walvoord has appeared with the West Shore Symphony Orchestra in Muskegon, MI, the Holland Symphony Orchestra in Holland, MI the University of Michigan Philharmonic Orchestra in Ann Arbor, MI, the Eastern Washington State University Orchestra in Cheney, WA, and the Andrews University Orchestra in St. Joseph, MI. Dr. Walvoord is also an active recitalist. She has given guest artist recitals at Hope College in Holland, MI, at Lake Michigan College in Benton Harbor, MI, and at Kalamazoo College in Kalamazoo, MI. As part of her commitment to commissioning new works for the violin, Walvoord recently commissioned a piece from composer Matthew Tommasini, an American Academy of Arts and Letters Charles Ives Scholarship winner and SCI/ASCAP award winner. She premiered *Fiddle States: for Violin Duo* in April of 2005 with her sister, Jennifer.

As an educator, Walvoord has served on the faculties of the Ann Arbor School for the Performing Arts, Interlochen-All State and Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp. This summer, Walvoord taught the Violin Etude Masterclass at the UTA Summer String Camp. Dr. Walvoord has led and participated in masterclasses and teaching workshops across the country.

Walvoord earned her Doctor of Musical Arts degree and her Master of Music degree at the University of Michigan and her Bachelor of Music degree at Rice University. Her primary teachers were Andrew Jennings and Kathleen Winkler.