

Sangjin Kim, viola

"a poised, appealing performer with rock-solid technique, warm, powerful, variable tone and a simple, direct expressiveness" (Strings Magazine)

Critically acclaimed violist Sang Jin Kim has won several solo and chamber music competitions internationally. He travels throughout the United States, Europe, and Asia in more than 70 performances a year. Recent engagements include appearances at the Paris Salle Gaveau, Frankfurt Alte Oper, Carnegie hall, Lincoln center, 92nd Y, Kennedy Center, Ravinia, and Schoenberg Hall among others. He was invited to the Marlboro, Aspen and Musicmountain, Rheingau, Villa Musica and Mach-art, Prague Spring, Cervo festivals and the international Musician's Seminar at Prussia Cove.

A former member of the International Sejong Soloists, Kumho Asiana String Quartet and M.I.K. Ensemble, Sang Jin is frequently invited as soloist with major symphony orchestras in Korea. Upon receiving the Presidential Award in 2001, a highest civilian award in Korea, he was subsequently designated as an Embassador of Culture in honor of his achievements. Mr. Kim studied at the Cologne Musik Hochschule in Germany with Rainer Moog and with Samuel Rhodes at the Juilliard school. He is now a professor of viola performance at the Yonsei University in Seoul and the music director and conductor of Seoul Chamber Orchestra.