Niccolo Seligmann

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Fducation

2011-2015 Bachelor of Music, Viola da gamba Performance, Peabody Institute of the Johns Hopkins University

Intensive study of renaissance and baroque music on all sizes of viola da gamba,

baroque cello and bass, basso continuo realization, medieval fiddle

Ensembles

2023-present Magdalena, Baltimore, MD

Medieval and Renaissance music

Viola da gamba, bowed dulcimer, percussion

2016-2019 duoSeraphim, New York, NY, Founding member

Baroque music duet with soprano, with fully realized basso continuo

Viola da gamba

2015-present Concordian Dawn, New York, NY

Medieval music ensemble Vielles, percussion

2014-present Wherligig, Westminster, MD

Traditional celtic and nordic acoustic music ensemble

Viola da gamba, viola a chiavi, bodhrán

2013-present Istanpitta, Houston, TX

Medieval music ensemble

Medieval fiddles, medieval drag queen

2013-present Alkemie, Brooklyn, NY, Founding member

Medieval music ensemble, informed historically and by experimental music traditions

Medieval fiddles, viola a chiavi, scheitholt, gittern, psaltery, percussion

2011-present The Broken Consort, Portland, OR

Early music ensemble, informed historically and by experimental music traditions

Viola da gamba, medieval fiddles, percussion, ngoni, voice

2011-2015 Divisio, Baltimore, MD, Founding member

Medieval and world music ensemble Viola da gamba, medieval fiddles, kemençe

Selected Recent Performances

April 2024 "Love to my Liking"

with Alkemie, All Saints Episcopal Church, New York, NY

Album release concert of estampies, polytextual motets, and trouvère songs

March 2024 "French Grands Motets"

with Washington Bach Consort, National Presbyterian Church, Washington, DC

Lully's "Exaudiat te Dominus," Charpentier's "Te Deum," and other works by Lully and Charpentier

February 2024 "A Worthy Mirror"

with Alkemie, National Sawdust, Brooklyn, NY

New music commissions for medieval ensemble by eleven living female and nonbinary composers

Niccolo Seligmann Resume

February 2024 "Roman de Fauvel"

with Concordian Dawn, presented by San Francisco Early Music Society,

San Francisco Conservatory of Music, San Francisco, CA Multimedia concert of excerpts from the Roman de Fauvel

January 2024 "Óro Mhór a Mhóirin"

with Magdalena, presented by Friends of Early Music, Church of the Redeemer, Washington, DC

Renaissance and traditional music of Ireland and Scotland

Commercial Discography

2024 "Love to my Liking" Alkemie (Bright Shiny Things)

13th-century secular music: estampies, polytextual motets, trouvère songs

2024 "A Fine Companion" Alkemie and Freelance Nun (Bright Shiny Things)

Indie rock settings of troubadour and trobairitz poetry, combining electric and medieval instruments

2023 "Medieval Song from Aristotle to Opera" Concordian Dawn (MSR Classics)

Medieval sacred and secular music

2022 "Fortuna Antiqua et Ultra: Medieval Songs of Fate, Fortune, and Fin'amor" Concordian Dawn

(MSR Classics)

Medieval sacred and secular music on the theme of Fortune's Wheel

"Kinship" Niccolo Seligmann (Split Log Productions)

Contemporary-style viola da gamba improvisations protesting capitalist exploitation of Indigenous

people and of our other-than-human kin

2018 "The Three Marys" Eya

14th-century French liturgical drama telling the story of Mary Magdalene's discovery of the risen Christ

Soundtrack Discography

2024 "Ara: History Untold" Michael Curran (Oxide Interactive)

Video game

Tenor and bass violas da gamba, vielles, hurdy-gurdy, kemençe

"Enotria: The Last Song" Aram Shahbazians (Jyamma Games)

Video game

Tenor and bass violas da gamba, vielles, lirone, hurdy-gurdy, kemençe

2023 "The Changeling" Dan Deacon (AppleTV/Apple Music)

Streaming series

Hardanger fiddle, bass viola da gamba

2023 "Crusader Kings III – Royal Court" Audinity (Paradox Interactive)

Video game

Tenor and bass violas da gamba, vielles, hurdy-gurdy

2022 "Pentiment" Alkemie (Obsidian Entertainment/Microsoft Studios Music

Video game

Tenor and bass violas da gamba, vielles, scheitholt, kantele, percussion

2022-present "The Witcher" Joe Trapanese (Netflix/Sony Music Masterworks)

Streaming series

Tenor & bass violas da gamba, vielles, viola a chiavi, kemence

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2022 "Knights of Honor II: Sovereign" Audinity (THQ Nordic)

Video game

Tenor & bass violas da gamba, vielles

"Lost Eidolons" Clark Aboud (Ocean Drive Studio, Inc.)

Video game

Bass viola da gamba, vielles

"Cyrano" Clark Aboud (Popcannibal)

Video game

Tenor viola da gamba

"Civilization VI: Gathering Storm" Geoff Knorr and Roland Rizzo (Firaxis Media)

Video game

Bass viola da gamba, vielles, kemençe

2018 "Civilization VI: Rise and Fall" Geoff Knorr and Roland Rizzo (Firaxis Media)

Video game

Bass viola da gamba, vielles

2017 "Papillon" David Buckley (Bleecker Street Media)

Feature film

Bass viola da gamba

2016-2021 "Civilization VI" Geoff Knorr and Roland Rizzo (Firaxis Media)

Video game

Bass viola da gamba, vielles, modern nyckelharpa, hackbrett

Teaching

2022-present Pinewoods Early Music Week, Plymouth, MA

Faculty

Week-long classes in Medieval Performance Practice, Medieval Repertoires, and Beginning Viols

2019-present Fordham University, New York, NY

Workshop Leader, member of Ensemble-in-Residence

With Alkemie, co-taught workshops in medieval performance practice for undergraduates and NYC

early music community members

2018 Grinnell College, Grinnell, IA

Workshop Leader

Led week-long workshops in medieval improvisation and performance practice for undergraduates and

community members, culminating in a performance with workshop participants

2017 Capitol Early Music, Washington, DC

Workshop Leader

With Alkemie, co-taught workshops in medieval performance practice for DC early music community

2017-2018 St. Anne School, Santa Monica, CA

Instructor, Music Appreciation

Created and taught 5th-8th grade curriculum focusing on musical connections with race, colonialism, and structural inequalities; facilitated critical listening and discussion on music from many cultures

2016-2018 University of California Los Angeles, Los Angeles, CA

Instructor, UCLA Early Music Ensemble

Co-coached semiweekly rehearsals, led quarterly viola da gamba masterclasses and consort parties

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2016-2017 Fairmont State University, Fairmont, WV

Workshop Leader, member of Ensemble-in-Residence Alkemie

Co-taught workshops in medieval performance practice for undergraduate music majors

2015-2020 Big Mouth Society/Curiosity Crossing, Portland, OR

Workshop Leader with The Broken Consort

Co-taught workshops in medieval performance practice for Portland early music community

Music Engraving

2024 Louise Talma's "The Alcestiad, Act III"

Performance editions commissioned by INSeries, Washington DC

2023 Isabella Leonarda's "Ad Arma" and Chiara Margherita Cozzolani's "Ave mater dilectissima,"

Performance editions commissioned by TENET Vocal Artists, NYC

2020-2022 "Pentiment Official Soundtrack"

Recording editions commissioned by Alkemie, NYC

2020-2021 "Starring the Tenor Viol", published by Viola da Gamba Society of America Press

Arrangements for tenor viol of 18th-century instrumental and vocal music commissioned by Judy Klotz

Other Professional Experience

2019-present Koons Instruments, Finksburg, MD

Luthiery apprenticeship

Building wooden instruments based on medieval and early renaissance art using hand tools

2011-2015 Peabody Institute, Baltimore, MD

IT Help Desk Associate

Residencies and Grants

2020-present Concordian Dawn, University of California at Davis Ensemble-in-Residence

2020 Niccolo Seligmann, Strathmore Artist-in-Residence
2019-present
2017 Alkemie, Fordham University Ensemble-in-Residence
2016-17 Alkemie, Fairmont State University Ensemble-in-Residence

2016-17 Alkemie, Avaloch Farm Music Institute Residency

2014 Niccolo Seligmann, Johns Hopkins University Provost Undergraduate Research Award

2013 Niccolo Seligmann, Viola da Gamba Society of America Grant-in-Aid

References

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