

Angela Pickett

A native of Newfoundland, Canada, Angela Pickett has performed as a violist, violinist, and fiddler throughout North America, South America, Europe, The Carribean, and Japan. A two-time recipient of the Canada Council for the Arts Career Grant, Angela's solo performances have often been featured on the Canadian Broadcasting Company's regional and national radio programs. In 2006, Angela was a winner of the International Viola Society's competition for the performance of a Canadian work, and was subsequently invited to perform at the XXXIVth International Viola Congress in Montreal.

Angela is currently the violist of acclaimed string quintet Sybarite5, with whom she has performed in thirty-five states, in venues ranging from Carnegie Hall and The Library of Congress to the NYC Apple Store and SubCulture. Sybarite5 has commissioned and premiered numerous works for string quintet, and their debut EP "Disturb the Silence" reached the Top 10 of the Billboard Charts. The ensemble has often been featured on NPR radio, and has recently been the subject of articles in Strings Magazine, Symphony Magazine, and The Strad. In 2013, Angela completed a doctorate from the Manhattan School of Music, and her dissertation focuses on Sybarite5's recent contributions to the repertoire for string quintet.

As a fiddler, Angela as toured and performed with artists including Irish tenor John McDermott, and The Chieftains. She has played on many recordings of Irish and Newfoundland traditional music, and has also been featured on two television commercials and the CBC radio series, "Fiddling Around."

Angela currently lives in New York City where she is the principal violist of the Canadian Chamber Orchestra of NYC and also performs with ensembles including the IRIS Orchestra, the Princeton Symphony Orchestra, and the Argento Chamber Orchestra. In addition to a DMA from the Manhattan School of Music, Angela holds a Masters degree from the Juilliard School and a Conjoint Honors Bachelor of Music in Viola Performance and Music History from the Memorial University of Newfoundland.