

David Liam Roberts, cello

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Date of birth: 03/15/2000

Recent Awards, Performances:

- Regular extra with Toronto Symphony Orchestra (2021-present)
- Performed as solo cellist with renowned violinist Barnabas Keleman in Bartok's Divertimento for Strings at the Royal Conservatory of Music (October 2022)
- Performances with Scott St. John, Joel Link (Dover Quartet), Nicolas Namoradze and others at Toronto Summer Music Festival (July 2022)
- 1st Prize (\$10,000), 2022 WMC McLellan Competition (April 2022)
- Schumann Cello Concerto with Winnipeg Symphony Orchestra and Maestro Daniel Raiskin (April 2022)
- 2021 Michael Measures Prize (\$25,000), awarded by Canada Council for the Arts and the National Youth Orchestra of Canada (August 2021)
- 2021-22 Hnatyshyn Foundation grant (\$10k) (August 2021)
- Soloist with the Winnipeg Symphony Orchestra under Maestro Daniel Raiskin (June 2021)
- 2020-21 season included debut recitals presented by Cecilia Concerts (Halifax), Virtuosi Concerts (Winnipeg) and Women's Musical Club of Winnipeg
- Finalist, 2021 Eckhardt-Gramatté National Music Competition (January 2021)
- 2020 Michael Measures 2nd Prize, awarded by Canada Council for the Arts and NYO Canada (July 2020)
- Featured in the 2019 edition of CBC's "30 Hot Classical Musicians Under 30" (August 2019)
- Gail Asper Foundation Award of Excellence from the National Youth Orchestra of Canada, performing with the orchestra as co-principal cello, touring Spain and Canada (June-August 2019)
- Grand Award and 1st Place in Strings – FCMF National Music Festival of Canada (August 2018)
- Substitute Cellist with Winnipeg Symphony Orchestra during 2017/18 and 2021 Seasons

Education:

- Glenn Gould School (GGS) at the Royal Conservatory of Music – Artist Diploma, studying with Hans Jørgen Jensen and Andrés Díaz, Temerty Fellowship (2022-2024)
- Glenn Gould School (GGS) at the Royal Conservatory of Music – Bachelor of Music in Cello Performance (Honours), studying with Hans Jørgen Jensen and Andrés Díaz, on full scholarship (2018-2022)

Selected Upcoming Engagements:

- Featured soloist with Polycoro Choir (Winnipeg), performing works by Karen Sunabacka, Ian Cusson, Jocelyn Morlock and Carmen Braden, accompanied by 3D projections (Winnipeg, Nov 2022)
- 2-week Debut Atlantic tour (*Liam&LaLa* duo) (March 2023)
- Solo concerto performance with the New Brunswick Youth Orchestra under Antonio Delgado (Feb 2023)
- Featured Young Artist in 2023 Prince Edward County Festival. Concerts include a solo recital, as well as collaborations with Viano Quartet and cellists Rachel Mercer, Cameron Crozman and Bryan Cheng (September 2023)
- Opening the subscription series of Women's Musical Club's 130th season with Zyra Trio recital (October 2023)

