

Eeva Koskinen

After finishing her studies at the Sibelius Academy in her hometown Helsinki, Eeva Koskinen moved to the Netherlands to continue studying with Victor Liberman at the Utrecht Conservatorium.

During this time she frequently extended her studies in France, with violinist Wladimir Spivakov.

After winning top-prizes in several competitions, such as Tibor Varga and the Japan Music Competition, she has performed regularly as a soloist with orchestras and as a chamber musician worldwide. She co-founded the Utrecht String Quartet and in 2001 was appointed as first concertmaster of the North Netherlands Orchestra. Eeva holds a teaching position at the Utrecht Conservatorium and is also a member of Trio Finlandia.

Katherine Routley

The Australian violinist Katherine Routley studied at the Conservatorium of Music in Sydney, Indiana University in Bloomington U.S.A. and Utrecht Conservatorium in the Netherlands, with Harry Curby, Yuval Yaron, Stanley Ritchie, Victor Liberman and Philip Hirschhorn.

Various Scholarships and prizes facilitated her study outside of Australia – where her love of chamber music brought her in contact with Walter Levine, Felix Ayo, Eli Goren, Sandor Végh and Gidon Kremer.

Katherine is a founding member of the Utrecht String Quartet and member of the Deutsche Kammerphilharmonie Bremen since 1989.

Mikhail Zemtsov

Mikhail Zemtsov first took violin lessons from his mother Loudmila Levinson at the age of five, later studying viola and composition at the Moscow Tchaikovsky Conservatory. He gained Soloist Diplomas with Distinction from ABRSM (B. Dinerstein), the Hochschule für Musik in Hamburg (Germany, M. Nichetianu) and the Maastricht Conservatory (Netherlands, M. Kugel).

Mikhail took conducting lessons and masterclasses with Lev Markiz, Juozas Domarkas, Neeme and Paavo Järvi, Gianandrea Noseda and Daniel Raiskin.

Mikhail also plays as a duo partner with guitarist Enno Voorhorst (Duo Macondo). He founded the Zemtsov Viola Quartet together with his wife Julia, his brother Alexander and daughter Dana. Mikhail Zemtsov is viola teacher at the Royal Conservatoire in The Hague and at the Utrecht Conservatory. He is chief conductor of the Utrecht Conservatory Strings and the Concerto Grosso Youth Orchestra in Rotterdam.

Sebastian Koloski

Sebastian Koloski was born in Bremen, Germany, studied cello at the Musikhochschule Freiburg with Christoph Henkel and graduated in the U.S.A. with Aldo Parisot. Returning to Europe he worked as a regular free-lance cellist with the Berlin Philharmonic Orchestra. Sebastian Koloski now lives in the Netherlands where he

co-founded the Utrecht String Quartet.

Beside his chamber music career he enjoys free-lance work at the opera of Amsterdam, the Orchestras of the Dutch Radio and the Orquestra de Cadaques, Spain.