

Megan Karls, *violin*

Violinist Megan Karls makes her home in the American Rockies, where she is the Concertmaster of the Wyoming Symphony, Co-Concertmaster of the Great Falls Symphony and newly appointed to the Fort Collins Symphony as Assistant Principal Second Violin. Her musical leadership is in high demand as a frequent guest concertmaster across the West, including the Billings Symphony, Bozeman Symphony and Opera Montana. Her solo concerto appearances recently have been alongside the Northwest Civic Orchestra, Milwaukee Philharmonic and the Great Falls Symphony Orchestra.

She spends her summers performing with the Britt Festival Orchestra, as Principal Second Violin of the McCall Musicfest Orchestra, and guest teaching across the world in San Salvador, El Salvador, Tlahuitoltepec, Mexico and around the United States.

Megan is a recipient of the Yale Distinguished Music Educator Award, and the first woman in classical music to receive the Montana State Arts Council's Artist Innovation Award. She holds degrees with honors in violin performance and political science from Lawrence University and the University of Iowa.