

Nora Francesca Germain

Nora Germain is a professional jazz violinist, recording artist, songwriter, author, singer, and session musician.

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FILM AND TV

4/2017	Better Things Television Show on FX Nora was a background musician during an episode of Season 2	Los Angeles
9/2016	Tiny Orchestral Moments Show, Recording Documentary Nora played violin, melodica and sang in video performances both in studio and during a live show; also featured Steve Ball, Petra Haden, Trey Gunn (of King Crimson), Carl Germain & Nigel Gavin	Seattle, WA
8/2016	Drunk History (Comedy Show on History Channel) Nora has played solo violin for seasons one and four of Drunk History	Global
7/2016	"Family Guy" Theme Song with Postmodern Jukebox Nora played violin with PMJ in a music video and live recording which has been viewed more than one million times	Los Angeles, CA
3/2016	"Most of All" Song and Music Video for JMSN Recorded all violin parts, played in music video	Los Angeles, CA
3/2015	Marshall Hawkins Documentary Promo and Feature Film Actress and violinist. Appeared as self performing and speaking about Marshall Hawkins (bassist for Miles Davis and Shirley Horn)	Southern California
2/2016	Katy Perry Grammy Party at Cicada Club Violinist in String Section for Katy Perry's Grammy party	Los Angeles, CA
2/2016	"The Government Knows" music video by Knowler Back-up dancer ("George Bush") in music video	Los Angeles, CA
6/2014	Absaroka: The Saga Continues (Directed by Patrick Mignano) Solo violinist in soundtrack	Los Angeles, CA
12/2013	Rozzi Crane "She Will Be Loved" by Maroon 5 (cover) Music Video at YouTube Space Los Angeles Violinist in string section for studio recording and video shoot	Los Angeles, CA
6/2013	Relativity Media "Renaissance Men" sketch feat. New York Knicks Violinist in string quartet for Relativity Sports YouTube video	Los Angeles, CA
12/2012	Reading, Writing, and Romance (Hallmark Channel movie) Score: Dvorak Carnival Overture excerpt and Celtic jig; Violinist at café	Los Angeles, CA
8/2012	Glee (FOX) Violinist/ Actress in band (Cast) for Season 4 Episode 1	Los Angeles, CA
3/2012	Strawberry Summer (Hallmark Channel movie) Country Violinist in concert and solo violinist in soundtrack	Los Angeles, CA
10/2009	"You and I" Music Video by Jonathan Batiste filmed at The Blue Note Violinist on stage at The Blue Note jazz club in New York City	New York, NY

MUSIC INDUSTRY AND OTHER

2016	“Go For It... Surviving the Challenges of Becoming an Artist” Book Nora wrote and published an inspirational book for young artists	Global
9/2010 – 5/2011	EMI Music Marketing Intern (Capitol, Virgin, Bluenote Records) Edited/ organized production and release schedules; Compiled promotional event reports for analysis; Assisted in budget grid organization; Edited and organized tour schedule updates; Edited and updated radio spin reports; Assisted with fan outreach and contests/ giveaways	New York, NY

PERFORMANCES AND COLLABORATIONS

4/2017	AudFest Film Festival (Super 8 Contest) Nora performed live, improvised music on stage at the AudFest Super 8 Film Festival award show	Los Angeles
3/2017	Performance with Postmodern Jukebox Nora performed with Postmodern Jukebox in Glasgow Royal Hall	Scotland
10/2016	Eckhart Tolle Foundation Live Performance and Live Stream Nora performed with her band at the Eckhart Tolle Foundation in Huntington Beach following a lecture by Eckhart	Global
8/2015	Jazz in the Pines Festival 2015 Nora performed throughout the 2015 Jazz in the Pines Festival alongside its founder Marshall Hawkins as well as with Casey Abrams, Evan Christopher, Jason Jackson, Harry Pickens and Roy McCurdy	Idyllwild, CA
2015-17	Nora Germain Performances in London Nora has performed on several occasions at Pizza Express Jazz Club with her own band. She has also been a featured guest with John Altman and Jacob Collier as well as The Kansas Smitty’s at their home venue, and with Artie Zaitz at Ronnie Scott’s jazz club	London, UK
2014 – PRESENT	Martin Taylor International Guitar Retreats Nora has attended and performed at several music retreats led by Martin Taylor in Scotland, California, England, and Italy. Guest artists have included Tommy Emmanuel, Nigel Price, Peppino D’Agostino, Alison Burns and Robin Nolan	Global
7/2015	City of London Festival Guest Performance with Martin Taylor MBE Nora performed as a special guest with Martin Taylor at his solo show	London, UK
2015-16	Los Angeles Dance Festival Opening Night 2015 and 2016 Nora was selected by acclaimed choreographer Deborah Brockus to perform at the Opening Night of the Los Angeles Dance Festival	Los Angeles, CA
2/2015	Idyllwild Arts Academy Black History Month Concert Nora was a featured soloist in this sold out jazz variety concert led by Idyllwild Arts Jazz Program founder Marshall Hawkins	Idyllwild, CA
8/2014	MTV Video Music Awards 2014 with Sam Smith 1 st violinist of the string quartet, Nora accompanied Sam Smith in his performance at The Forum of “Stay With Me” on live TV	Los Angeles, CA

7/2014	Violinist with Devi Sri Prasad “DSP” United States and Canada Tour Nora was featured as a soloist with South Indian pop musician, film composer and singer Devi Sri Prasad on his headlining tour	USA/ Canada
12/2013	USC Dickens Dinner Concert with Glenn Frey (The Eagles) Nora performed in the USC Gala Orchestra accompanying Glenn Frey, Conducted by Patrice Rushen	Los Angeles, CA
11/2013	USC Widney Foundation Concert with Kristin Chenoweth (Wicked) Nora performed in the USC Gala Orchestra accompanying Ms. Chenoweth	Los Angeles, CA
11/2012	LA Live Holiday Tree Lighting Concert feat. Barry Manilow on NBC Violinist in University of Southern California Gala Orchestra accompanying Barry Manilow, Arturo Sandoval, and Take 6 in front of Staples Center	Los Angeles, CA

TEACHING AND VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

3/2017	Idyllwild Arts Academy Alumni Lecture Series Nora presented a lecture at Idyllwild Arts Academy in California	Idyllwild, CA
2/2017	Shiplake College Lecture with Nora Germain Nora led two music masterclasses at Shiplake College in England	England
3/2014 – 8/2016	Mark Taper-Johnny Mercer Artist Program Volunteer & Violinist at Children’s Hospital Los Angeles Nora performs on a weekly basis for the patients and families at CHLA, and reaches thousands of patients and visitors every year	Los Angeles, CA
8/2015	LionAid Performance Nora performed solo at a LionAid International charity event in London	London, UK
7/2015	Animals Asia Performance with John Etheridge Nora performed alongside guitarist John Etheridge at a charity event for Animals Asia in London	London, UK

RECORDING SESSIONS (SELECTED)

3/2017	Disney Resorts Commercials Nora recorded solo violin on two commercials for Disney Resorts	Online
3/2016	JSMN Recording Session Solo violinist/ overdubs for album “It Is.”	Los Angeles, CA
2015-16	Red Bull Studios Violinist Solo violinist, various recording projects	Los Angeles, CA
12/2015	Nora Germain “Go For It” Album Violinist, singer, songwriter and pianist on album	New Orleans, LA
7/2015	Sandi Thom Recording Session (Westlake Studios) Solo violinist	Los Angeles, CA
5/2014	Nora Germain “Little Dipper” Album Violinist, vocalist and leader on full-length jazz quartet album	Los Angeles, CA

PUBLICITY (SELECTED)

3/2017	PledgeMusic Blog Feature with Nora Germain Crowd funding website featured an interview with Nora Germain	Online
3/2016	The Creative Life Podcast with James Taylor Episode 24 Nora was featured on The Creative Life Podcast with James Taylor, one of the world's leading experts in creativity	Online
10/2015	Chamber Music Magazine A Career in Music Issue "Young 'uns" Feature. Nora was featured along with several other young artists talking about life as a musician under 30	Global
9/2015	ICMP Online: The Musical Life Podcast Episode 13 with James Taylor Nora was featured on The Musical Life Podcast Episode 13. ICMP is one of the global leaders in online music education	Online
9/2015	Jazz Jazzers Jazzing Blog Post "Hot Jazz" by Carl Hager Nora was featured in an article featuring her PledgeMusic Campaign, the state of today's recorded music industry and hot jazz	Online
7/2015	LondonJazz News Live Review LondonJazz News reviewed Nora's debut at Pizza Express Dean St.	Online
4/2015	Arise News Live TV Interview in London Nora was interviewed by Jayson Mansaray on Arise News in London	Global
1/2015	Violettes by Becky music blog Interview with Nora Germain Part 1 and 2 Nora answered Becky's questions about playing jazz and how she got her education. Written interview	Online
1/2015	Scott Cowie Talk Music Podcast Episode 47 Feat. Nora Germain Nora was a featured guest on Scott Cowie's podcast. Nora also appears as a recurring guest violinist and as a co-host on the Podcast	Online
1/2015	All About Jazz Album Review of "Little Dipper" All About Jazz review and news article about "Little Dipper" Written by John Wesley Reed Jr.	Online
1/2015	LA Weekly Live Review Posted show announcement and review in LA Weekly Written by Gary Fukushima	Online
1/2015	The Strad Album Review of "Little Dipper" online & print January issue UK-based international strings magazine <i>The Strad</i> ran an album review of "Little Dipper," written by Tim Woodall	Global

EDUCATION AND AWARDS

7/2015	DownBeat Magazine 63rd Annual Critics Poll Nora was named a “Rising Star of Jazz Violin” in DownBeat Magazine	Global
8/2011 – 5/2014	University of Southern California (Scholarship) Bachelor of Arts Major: Jazz Studies	Los Angeles, CA
9/2009 – 5/2011	The New School for Jazz and Contemporary Music (Scholarship) Candidate for Bachelor of Music in Jazz Performance Major: Jazz Violin	New York, NY
8/2007 – 6/2009	Idyllwild Arts Academy High School Jazz Studies Program Director: Marshall Hawkins	Idyllwild, CA
5/2009	Most Inspirational Jazz Student Award Awarded by Marshall Hawkins (Founder of the Jazz Program at Idyllwild Arts Academy) at Idyllwild Arts Academy Baccalaureate	Idyllwild, CA

NOTABLE COLLABORATIONS

Sam Smith, Jacob Collier, JMSN, Casey Abrams, Dawn Richard, Devi Sri Prasad, Marshall Hawkins, Jon Batiste and Stay Human, The Manhattan Transfer, Bruce Forman, Zane Carney, Gilbert Castellanos, Evan Christopher, Richie Cole, Mundell Lowe, Llew Matthews, John Altman, Martin Taylor MBE, Tommy Emmanuel CGP, Larry Coryell, Alison Burns, Sandi Thom, John Etheridge, John Altman, Louis Cole, Snoh Aalegra, Jamison Ross, Roland Guerin, Nigel Gavin, Trey Gunn, Nigel Price