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# MEET OUR MUSICIANS

Where is your hometown?  
La Habana, Cuba

How many years have you played for the Erie Phil?

11 years



Studies: Eastman School of Music and Carnegie Mellon

Pastimes / Hobbies:

Ping-pong and sketching.



## Favorites!

Earliest Musical Memory

Eine Kleine by a string quartet in a Havana Hotel, Cuba (c. 1987).

What is your favorite thing about Erie?

The friendliness of the people here... and Wegmans!



What is your most memorable moment with the Erie Philharmonic?

Performing Verdi's Requiem.

What is your funniest or most embarrassing moment on stage?

Playing on a rest on the last page of the "Rite of Spring" by Stravinsky.



What inspired you to become an orchestral musician?

When the Oakland Youth Symphony went to Cuba and performed side by side with us.