

rebecca albers

Violist **Rebecca Albers** has performed throughout North America, Asia and Western Europe. Her performances have been seen on national television in the United States and China and heard on National Public Radio and French National Radio. Rebecca currently resides in Ann Arbor, MI as a member of the Phoenix Quartet and a recent addition to the University of Michigan's viola faculty. She also tours extensively with the Albers Trio, a string trio formed with her sisters Laura and Julie Albers, with fiddler Mark O'Connor's Appalachia Waltz Trio, and she recently joined the NY-based East Coast Chamber Orchestra (ECCO) for its 2007 season.

Rebecca received her B.M. and M.M. degrees from the Juilliard School where she studied with Heidi Castleman and Hsin-Yun Huang. While studying at Juilliard, she frequently performed as a substitute with the Philadelphia Orchestra, and also at times with the Pittsburgh Symphony, the New York Philharmonic and the Orpheus Chamber Orchestra. A dedicated teacher, Rebecca has been teaching since she was 12-years-old. From 2005-2008 she taught in collaboration with Heidi Castleman in the Juilliard School's College and Pre-College Divisions. She is also on the faculty of the North American Viola Institute in Orford, QC and was recently the Featured Guest Artist at the Ohio Viola Society's "OHH Viola" masterclass day.

As the winner of the Juilliard School's 2002/03 viola competition, Rebecca made her New York solo debut with the Juilliard Orchestra performing the New York premiere of Samuel Adler's Viola Concerto in Alice Tully Hall at Lincoln Center. She made her European recital debut in 2008 at the Auditorium du Louvre in Paris, France. Rebecca has been a participant at such festivals as the Marlboro Music Festival, the International Musicians Seminar and Open Chamber Music at Prussia Cove (UK), and the Perlman Music Program. As a chamber musician she has performed across the United States and Europe, with such artists as Richard Goode, Yo-Yo Ma, Itzhak Perlman and members of the Guarneri, Juilliard and St. Lawrence String Quartets. In September of 2003, she performed in the inaugural concert in Zankel Hall at Carnegie Hall. Upcoming engagements include a west coast tour with Musicians from Marlboro, a tour of England with the International Musician's Seminar and performances with the Albers Trio, the Appalachia Waltz Trio and the Phoenix Quartet.