

IN THEIR OWN WORDS
Get to Know the WVS Musicians
Richelle Shultz, Violin



Tell us a little about yourself:

I am Richelle Shultz, I am a second-generation Arizona native, growing up in Phoenix. I am the youngest in a family of five with two older brothers. I started taking piano lessons when I was five, then began playing the violin when I was nine. I continued playing it all the way through college, graduating from Northern Arizona University with a Bachelor of Music Education and a Bachelor's in Violin Performance.

I started my teaching career in Mesa in 2010 and began playing with West Valley Symphony in 2011. I have been happily married since 2015 and have two wonderful and rambunctious boys who I look forward to sharing my love of music with.

How do you like to spend your free time?

I have two boys who are 5 and 3, so free time for me right now is almost non-existent (but I would not change that for anything), however when I do get some time, I enjoy reading, or watching tv or playing a game.

Do you have any hobbies?

I enjoy doing things with my hands like knitting/crochet or embroidery. I recently for the first time did some pour painting, which was a lot of fun and would like to do more of that in the future.





What skill would you like to master?

I have started making my own loaves of bread, it is cheaper and tastes so much better. I have tried many types of bread, and they usually turn out pretty well, but I would love to master the skill of bread making where I could make any loaf of bread and have it turn out perfectly.

Star Trek, or Star Wars?

Star Trek most definitely. In particular Star Trek: The Next Generation

What is your favorite movie of all time?

Jane Austen's *Sense and Sensibility* with Emma Thompson, Alan Rickman, Kate Winslet, and Hugh Grant. I could watch it over and over again.

If money were no object, how would you spend your time?

If money were no object I would love to travel more, I have seen very little of the United States and have never been out of the country, there are so many places I would love to see and visit.