

# HELENA GULLAN

07909 226 831 | helenagullan@hotmail.com | www.helenagullan.com

## **VIOLINIST AND ELECTRIC VIOLINIST**

### **BIOGRAPHY:**

Helena is an accomplished Violinist and Electric Violinist from London. She regularly combines her musical skills with her theatrical background, to perform in Actor-Musician roles. Using the violin in many theatre productions has enabled her to become a dynamic performer, confident and comfortable moving freely with the instrument, to perform to choreographed routines and so on. She has played on several tours and as the violinist for various bands. She also performs within a Violin Duo, who have played in many venues throughout the UK. Helena is also one of London's upcoming Bollywood Violinists.

### **FUNCTIONS / ELECTRIC VIOLIN WORK:**

- Selected for one of just three places for the prestigious world famous act, **'LUMINA' The Laser Violinist** (Green Fairy Productions) – described as 'The Greatest Laser Violin Act in the World' (The Stage)
- Invited to perform at **Latitude Festival**
- Performed Violin for performance with **RONAN KEATING: Ivy and Emerald's Charity Gala Ball**
- Performed Violin and Singing in Christmas **Video Release: Fairytale of New York Cover starring Ronan Keating**
- Violinist for Australian singer, **Garrett Kato** (Supporting act for opening gig of **Ziggy Alberts Australian Tour 2016-17**)
- Violinist for Singer-Songwriter Sam Way (Recording all string parts on EP, Track 'Tiger Love')
- Violinist for Andy Robinson Band (UK and LA based)
- Ben See **Recording and Music Video** for 'The Dead Artist' (Lead Violinist in string quartet)
- Guest Violinist for **Swedish band, Janori Hays** – performance at legendary **Rainbow Bar, Sunset BLVD, L.A.**
- Various collaborations with DJs
- Soloist at various functions and events and Bollywood Electric Violinist

### **ORCHESTRAL WORK (Incl. TOURS and TV BROADCASTS):**

- **GUEST SOLOIST** for various orchestras, including the **Southwark Sinfonietta** and the **European Doctors' Orchestra** (Bach Double Violin Concerto)
- **Nonclassical Orchestra** - performances at **Club XOYO** (London)
- **Amadeus Symphony Orchestra** - Two International **Tours of China, live TV broadcasts** to over 1.3 billion people
- **Young Musician's Symphony Orchestra** (performances in renowned venues, including **St John's Smith Square**)
- **TROSP Orchestra** - **UK TV Broadcast**
- **Pit Orchestral work** for various Musicals (incl. Leader for **West Side Story** at Fairfield Halls, Ashcroft Theatre)

### **VIOLIN DUOS AND CHAMBER GROUPS:**

- **Cicilia Violin Ensemble** - Performance to former **Armenian prime minister** and government officials
- Founding member of **Gullan Violin Duet** - regular performances in many venues throughout UK including **Old Royal Naval College** (described as 'finest dining hall in Europe'), **finalists in audition round for SKY ARTS documentary.**

### **ACTOR-MUSICIAN / ONSTAGE VIOLINIST:**

- **Solo Fiddle Player** and Singer in **'IRELAND'S CALL The Musical'** UK Tour 2016 (Dir. Trevor Payne)
- Violinist, Actress and Singer in **West End Cast** and **South Korean Tour of 'ONCE The Musical'** starring Ronan Keating (Dir. John Tiffany)
- Violinist, Actress and Singer in **'Chaplin - The Charlie Chaplin Story'** UK Tour 2016 (Dir. Dean Elliott).
- Violinist, Actress and Singer in **'The Snow Spider'** UK Tour & London - (Tristan Bates Theatre, Covent Garden)
- **Country Fiddle**, Singer and Actress in **'Wilder West'** UK Tour - (Darkerside Creative)
- Solo Violinist in **The Good Doctor** (Dir. Clive Perrot), **The Poor School** (London)

### **TRAINING:**

#### **TRINITY COLLEGE OF MUSIC, LONDON**

- Joint Violinist and Vocalist on Conservatory Program (Individualised Program of Study)
- Principal Study Violin – specialising in Solo Violin Performance

#### **ROYAL HOLLOWAY, UNIVERSITY OF LONDON: BA Hons Music and Drama**

- **Music Scholarship**
- Principal Study Violin – specialising in **Solo Violin Performance**
- Leader of Chamber Orchestra
- University **Music Department ranked No 1, Top in the UK** (RAE 2008)

#### **LEE STRASBERG THEATRE AND FILM INSTITUTE, West Hollywood, Los Angeles**

- Acting Scholarship





