

## **Sterling Elliott, Cello**

Sterling Elliott began his studies at age three, made his solo debut at seven winning the Junior Division of the PYO Concerto Competition, and at fourteen won First Place in the 2014 National Sphinx Competition. He also won the 2014 Richmond Symphony Concerto Competition and Bay Youth Orchestra Concerto Competition, took Second Place in the 2015 Richmond Symphony Concerto Competition, and was runner-up in the Hampton Roads Philharmonic Concerto Competition.

Mr. Elliott performed for Yo-Yo Ma and has played alongside recording artist Jennifer Hudson. He was awarded the 2016 Isaac Stern Award by the Sphinx Organization and was featured in a three-page interview in the October 2015 edition of “Strings” Magazine.

In addition, he has attended the Eastern Music Festival, Aspen Music Festival and was selected to study alongside Itzhak Perlman and Ronald Leonard at the Summer Perlman Music Program. In April 2016 he attended a three-week residency in Tel Aviv, Israel, where he studied with Paul Katz and performed with fellow Perlman Music Program students.

Recent honors include First Place in 2019 National Sphinx Competition Senior Division, 2019 Camerata Artists International Competition, and Grand Prize in the First Presbyterian Young Artist Competition.

Mr. Elliott has soloed with the New York Philharmonic, The Cleveland Orchestra, Virginia Symphony Orchestra, the Hilton Head Symphony Orchestra, the South Bend Symphony Orchestra, the New World Symphony, the Buffalo Philharmonic Orchestra, the San Francisco Chamber Orchestra, and many more as well as a performance at the 2019 World Economic Forum in Davos, Switzerland. In 2015 & 2016 Sterling performed a 7-week national tour with the Sphinx Virtuosi, and in 2018 was a featured soloist on tour including a performance at Carnegie Hall.

Sterling Elliott is currently pursuing a bachelor’s degree in cello performance at The Juilliard School, where he studies with Joel Krosnick and is the proud recipient of a Kovner Fellowship.