

JENNY OAKS BAKER BIOGRAPHY

GRAMMY Nominated Artist **Jenny Oaks Baker** is one of America's most accomplished classical violinists. Whether her music is experienced live or through one of her many recordings, it is impossible to escape the magic of her artistry.

Jenny began playing the violin at age four, and made her solo debut in 1983 when she was only eight years old. She received her Master of Music degree from the renowned Juilliard School in New York City and her Bachelor's degree in violin performance from the Curtis Institute of Music in Philadelphia.

Jenny Oaks Baker has released ten best-selling albums since 1998 as a Shadow Mountain Records Artist. Her most recent work, *Wish Upon a Star: A Tribute to the Music of Walt Disney*, earned a nomination for the 54th GRAMMY Awards for Best Pop Instrumental Album. Jenny's albums consistently chart on Billboard, with her 2010 album *Then Sings My Soul* hitting the #1 spot on the Top Classical Albums chart.

Jenny Oaks Baker's performance career is equally impressive. In April 1999, she made her Carnegie Hall debut as a featured soloist in the Easter Festival Concert. She has also performed as a soloist in Alice Tully Hall at Lincoln Center, Strathmore Hall, Coolidge Auditorium at the Library of Congress, and the Kennedy Center.

Jenny has soloed with the National Symphony, Jerusalem Symphony, San Diego Symphony, Utah Symphony, Orchestra at Temple Square, and the internationally acclaimed Mormon Tabernacle Choir. She has also been featured in television and radio broadcasts nationwide. Her "In Performance" BYUTV Special *Silver Screen Serenade*, features Jenny performing music from her album of the same name.

With her extensive performing and recording careers in addition to her superlative education, Jenny is an esteemed expert and served as a judge for the 2007 Stradivarius International Violin Competition. In April 2008 Governor Jon M. Huntsman Jr. of Utah awarded her the Governor's Mansion Artist Award for excellence in artistic expression.

For seven years, Jenny Oaks Baker performed as a first violinist in the National Symphony Orchestra before resigning in 2007 to devote more time to her young family. Jenny, her husband, and their four children reside outside of Washington D.C.

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