

# KYLE OLLAH

*Strings player & instructor*

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## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

**K.O. StringWorks** — Duluth Minn.  
*Private lessons*  
2019 - present

**Hartley Nature Center - Preschool** — Duluth, Minn.  
*Folksongs + dance*  
2019 - present

**Duluth Folk School** — Duluth, Minn.  
*Workshops in old-time banjo, fiddle, and folk guitar*  
*Slow-Jam leader*  
2018 - present

**A Time to Dance** — Greater Minn.  
*Musician for Terrence Smith*  
2016 - present

**Harbor City International School** — Duluth, Minn.  
*On-call featured musician for string band club*  
2016 - present

**Rosewood Music** — Duluth Minn.  
*Private lessons*  
2017 - 2018

**Musicality** — Duluth Minn.  
*Private lessons*  
2009 - 2011

## EDUCATION

**McNally Smith College of Music**, St. Paul, Minn. —  
*AA in Music Performance*  
2008 - 2009

**University of Minnesota-Duluth**, Duluth, Minn. —  
*BA in Music*  
2009 - 2011

**Whetstone School of Lutherie**, Brattleboro, VT. —  
*Guitar building & shopand*  
2014

**Rosewood Music**, Duluth Minn. —  
*Apprenticeship in instrument repair*  
2016 - 2018

## CURRENT POSITIONS

**K.O. StringWorks**  
*Instrument instruction + sole proprietorship*  
2019 - present

**Duluth Folk School**  
*Music Director*  
2019 - present

**Tamarack Dance Association**  
*Board member*  
*Festival organizer (Woolsock - winter camp + dance weekend)*  
*Contributing musician*  
2015 - present

## AWARDS

**Springboard For the Arts**  
*Coronavirus Emergency Relief Fund -- 2020*

**John Hugelan Cajun Scholarship**  
*Funding to attend Augusta Cajun/Creole Weekend (WV), and Folklore Village Cajun Festival (WI) -- 2018*

**Arrowhead Regional Arts Council**  
*Grant funding to record a collection of American folksongs with Tom Fabjance at Sacred Heart Music Center -- 2018*

**MooseJaw Scholarship**  
*Funding to attend workshops in old-time fiddle music -- 2016*