

Rafael Dillon Low

Born on 8 March 2006 in Singapore.

Rafael started learning the violin at the age of 5 years. At the age of 11 years, he passed the Grade 8 Violin examinations with **Distinction** awarded by the Associated Board of the Royal Schools of Music, UK. Rafael loves playing the violin and has participated in the following competitions and public events:-

1) 2018 - **1st Place** Winner (Junior Category (Solo)) and **2nd Place** Winner (Group A Chamber Group Category, Violin) of the Vienna Virtuoso Festival 2018 (www.viennavirtuosofestival.com). Rafael will be performing at the Winner's Recital & Award Ceremony which will be held on Wednesday, 6 June 2018 at Altes Rathaus Vienna.

2) 2017 - Member of Counterpoint Quartet (Strings), performed Bach Double Violin Concerto in D Minor at Octoburst event held at Esplanade Theatres on the Bay Singapore. (<https://www.esplanade.com/visitor-guide>) (<https://youtu.be/8TShQHrkiOc>)

3) 2017 - Passed with **Distinction** ABRSM Grade 8 Violin.

4) 2017 - Participated as a violinist in the musical "**Pluck & The Musical Banyan Tree**" at the 13th World Harp Congress, **Hong Kong**. (<https://www.facebook.com/HarpAcademySG>)
Producer, Katryna Tan. Music Composer, Eric Watson.

5) 2017 - Participated as a violinist in the musical "**Pluck & The Musical Banyan Tree**" at the School of the Arts Drama Theatre, **Singapore**. (<http://www.raveharps.com/media>)

6) 2017 - **Silver Award** for Chamber Music Competition in 4th Singapore Raffles International Music Festival 2017 held at The Arts House.

7) 2016 - (i) **Gold Award** for Chamber Music Competition, and
(ii) Certificate of Participation in Violin Solo Competition (Junior B category)
in 3rd Singapore Raffles International Music Festival 2016 held at The Arts House.

8) 2016 - **3rd place** (violin category) in 2016 Cheer Taiwan International Music Competition held at Tainan City, **Taiwan**. (<https://youtu.be/WttNe99dcdc>)

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9) 2016 - Represented school's Strings Ensemble at Singapore Youth Festival 2016 (Certificate of Accomplishment).

10) 2015 - Participated as a violinist in the musical, "**Pluck & The Musical Banyan Tree**" at the University Cultural Centre Theatre Singapore. (<http://www.raveharps.com/category/past-events/>).

11) 2014 - Passed with **Distinction** ABRSM Grade 5 Violin and passed with **Distinction** ABRSM Grade 5 Theory.

12) 2014 - Certificate of Participation in Violin Solo Competition (Junior B category) in 1st Singapore Raffles International Music Festival 2014 held at The Arts House.

13) 2014 - Represented school's Strings Ensemble at Singapore Youth Festival 2014

Apart from his passion for music, Rafael is an avid football fan, enthusiastic in sports and studies.

Other Achievements

14) 2018 – Represented the school in National Primary Schools Sport Climbing Championship.

15) 2017 – Edusave Scholarship 2017 for excellent academic performance and good conduct

16) 2017 – Bronze award for outstanding achievement in Singapore and Asian Schools Math Olympiad 2017.

17) 2017 – Represented the school in National Primary Schools Sport Climbing Championship.

18) 2016 – 2nd position in Class 4D

19) 2016 – P4 NAPFA Outstanding Performance in 1.6km run

20) 2016 – Represented the school in National Primary Schools Swimming Championship.

21) 2015 – Represented the school in National Primary Schools Swimming Championship.

22) 2015 – 1st position in Class 3D

23) 2014 – 1st position in Class 2B