

The City of Columbus is in the process of updating its information on the «Organization» to reflect its most recent election. Please complete the following information to the best of your ability. **Updated database information will be forwarded to the Mayor's Office to ensure the appointment/reappointment of elected and re-elected members and will ensure timely and accurate distribution of funding opportunities, meeting notices, training opportunities, and other City activities. After completing this form, please return to Neighborhood Database Coordinator, City of Columbus, 50 W. Gay St., 2nd Floor, Columbus, OH, 43215.** Please contact your Neighborhood Liaison with any questions or comments.

Keegan Dwyer first came to the University Area as an undergraduate student studying History. He completed his degree but continued to live in the University Area and work in Columbus for another year. He moved to Cincinnati for six months then came back to settle in the University Area in the Weinland Park neighborhood.

Keegan spent a considerable amount of time studying US political history and is fascinated by the political process. He strongly values public service and does significant volunteer work in Weinland Park and other neighborhoods of the University Area.

Keegan also teaches children to play violin using the Suzuki method. He began his music studies at the South Shore Conservatory, in Massachusetts at the age of 3. He then moved to the Cambridge's New School of Music and studied under Susan Turcotte-Gavriel, on faculty at the University of Massachusetts and as a Master Teacher for the UMass Lowell String Project. Also in Boston he studied under Carol Sykes, founder and director of the Young People's String Consort (YPSC) and the Massachusetts Suzuki Institute.

Upon moving to Ohio, Keegan continued his studies with Wendy Vandermollen of the Cincinnati Opera and Cincinnati Ballet. Then continued under James Braid of the Cincinnati Symphony and Concertmaster of the Cincinnati Chamber Orchestra. As a student of pedagogy, he has studied under Lynda Stieg of Capital University.

As a professional musician he has played in diverse groups and ensembles. At the classical end, he has played with Bella Musica Columbus and the Kentucky Symphony Orchestra. But he's also known to be one of the founding members of Cincinnati's favorite Bluegrass band, the Rumpke Mountain Boys and he's always happy to jump into any jam session whether it be jazz, folk, Irish, rock, or anything you can tap a foot to.

He has been working as a violin teacher in Cincinnati and Columbus since 2004.

Keegan also has ten years experience as a repairperson and restorationist of fine stringed instruments. He has studied under Jerrold Witkowski, a nationally recognized Luthier (violin maker) and at the Chicago School of Violin Making.

When he is not teaching violin or volunteering in the neighborhood, you can find him making (or eating) sandwiches at Katzingers Deli.