# John Mietus

Double Bassist, Conductor, and Educator

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#### ORCHESTRAL EXPERIENCE

### **Auckland Philharmonia Orchestra** Auckland, New Zealand - Associate Principal Bass

May 2022 - Present

Auditioned for, won, and is now tenured in a permanent position with the Auckland Philharmonia Orchestra as Associate Principal Bass.

### **Houston Symphony** Houston, Texas - Section Bass

October 2019 - Present

Auditioned for and performs with the Houston Symphony as a member of their Substitute List.

### **New Zealand Symphony Orchestra** Wellington, New Zealand - *Section Bass*

October 2025 - Present

Was invited to join, and performed with Simone Young and Kian Soltani for the New Zealand Symphony Orchestra.

#### **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

### **Northwestern University,** Chicago Guest Faculty

January 2024- Present

## **Australian National Academy of Music,** Melbourne *Guest Faculty*

November 2023- Present

## **James Madison University,** Harrisonburg *Guest Faculty*

March 2020- Present

#### **Education**

Rice University, MM Classical Double Bass Performance

2019-2022

University of Southern California, BM Classical Double Bass Performance

2015-2019

#### **Soloist Experience**

2025 - XiangJiang Philharmonic Orchestra

2023 - Auckland Philharmonia

2018 - USC Student Symphony Orchestra

2017 - Concerto Chamber Orchestra

2014 - Cleveland Philharmonic

#### **Awards**

2019 - International Society of Bassists Orchestra Competition 3rd Prize

2018 - Gail Newby Concerto Competition 2nd Prize

2018 - USC Concerto Competition 2nd Prize

2017 - Concerto Chamber Orchestra Concerto Competition, 1st Prize