

# Patachich Summer Music Academy 2026

Join a week of intensive music-making in the heart of Oradea! Open to violinists, violists, cellists, and flutists of all levels, this program offers individual and chamber music lessons with an international faculty, daily collaboration with piano, and multiple performance opportunities. Students can expect inspiring masterclasses, concerts, and a supportive artistic community—culminating in a gala performance.

## Faculty

### **Artur Kaganovskiy – Violin**

Born in 1986 in Moscow, Artur Kaganovskiy was discovered at the age of six and mentored by Isaac Stern, whose support enabled his immigration to the United States in 1993. He completed both his bachelor's and master's degrees at The Juilliard School in New York, studying with renowned violinists including Pinchas Zukerman, Zakhar Bron, and Joseph Silverstein. His career gained international recognition after winning First Prize at the Waldo de Mayo International Violin Competition, followed by his debut at Carnegie Hall's Stern Auditorium with the New York Philharmonic. He has performed extensively across Europe, the Americas, and Asia as a soloist and chamber musician, collaborating with leading orchestras and artists. He is currently a professor at the International Academy of Arts in Antwerp and artistic director of the Kaganovskiy Concert Series in Oradea. He is also a master luthier, and performs on a Carlo Antonio Testore violin (1720).

### **Melinda Béres – Violin**

Award-winning violinist, concertmaster, and Associate Professor at the Gheorghe Dima National Music Academy in Cluj-Napoca. She received the Music Prize of the Hungarian Academy of Arts in 2020 and has won major international competitions including the K. Flesch Competition. As a soloist and chamber musician, she has performed throughout Europe and collaborates regularly with leading orchestras. She is an active educator and jury member, with research focusing on 18th-century performance practice, particularly Mozart.

### **Eszter Kaganovskiy – Viola**

Born in Romania, Eszter Kaganovskiy graduated from the Gheorghe Dima Music Academy and continued her studies in the United States, earning degrees from Western Illinois University and DePaul University. She was a member of the Civic Orchestra of Chicago and has collaborated with conductors such as Pierre Boulez and Seiji Ozawa. She has performed in major halls including Carnegie Hall and the Berlin Philharmonie, and has appeared as a soloist and chamber musician across Europe and the United States. She is co-founder of the Kaganovskiy Concert Series and professor at the International Academy of Arts in Antwerp.

### **Sviatoslav Perepelytsia – Cello**

Born in Kharkiv, Ukraine, he began his musical studies at age five and quickly established himself as a soloist. He studied in Kyiv and later in Germany as a DAAD scholar at the Robert Schumann Hochschule Düsseldorf. As a soloist and chamber musician, he performs throughout Europe and participates in international masterclasses. He has been a member of the Târgu Mureș State Philharmonic since 2018.

### **Ágnes-Klára Sándor – Flute**

Prize-winning flutist and member of the Târgu Mureș State Philharmonic Orchestra. She has received numerous international awards including prizes at the Jeunesses Musicales Competition and the Friedrich Kuhlau Competition. An International Artist of Trevor James Flutes, she performs regularly across Europe and studied in Detmold and Düsseldorf with top professors.

**Marius Popescu – Piano**

Concert pianist and associate professor at the Gheorghe Dima National Music Academy. He has an extensive international career as a soloist and chamber musician, collaborating with leading artists and participating in major festivals across Europe.

**Program**

Opening Concert (Guest Artist), 3 Student Concerts, Gala Concert and Diplomas

Dates: August 3–10, 2026

Location: Roman Catholic Episcopal Palace, Oradea, Romania

Participation Fee: 450 EUR (includes lessons, accompaniment, and accommodation)

Application deadline: June 15, 2026