

Gayl Teo believes in helping students realize the joy in making music and in cultivating their full musical potential. She has extensive experience teaching violin lessons and string orchestras in both private and public school settings, both in Singapore and the US. Her varied teaching experiences encompasses students of varying grade levels and learning needs (autistic spectrum disorder, hearing impaired, and selective mutism).

Gayl earned her B.M. in violin performance (summa cum laude) from The Ohio State University and M.M. from University of Hartford. Her teachers and mentors include Choo Shiow Ling, Kia-Hui Tan, Katie Lansdale, Leonid Polonsky, Teri Einfeldt, and Brenda Brenner. She is currently completing her PhD in music education at Indiana University's Jacobs School of Music, with a minor in special education, focusing specifically on autistic spectrum disorders. Gayl also holds performance diplomas (DipABRSM) in violin and piano from the Associated Board of Royal Schools of Music, and is a certified Suzuki teacher.

Gayl is also an active researcher who is contributing to research in music perception, sight-reading, and syllabus design. She recently presented her work at the Big Ten Academic Alliance music education conference, and is currently designing a graded violin syllabus and children's violin music course for the International Performing & Visual Arts Examination Board (IPVAEB).

Gayl is a member of the Board of Directors and Academic Advisory Board of IPVAEB.