



## About MUSIC SHARING

The not-for-profit organization MUSIC SHARING is dedicated to providing opportunities for people in various circumstances to gain connection to music. Founded by the renowned violinist Midori, MUSIC SHARING is a non-political entity and presents free programs throughout Japan and other Asian countries, and its activities are solely based on altruistic motivations of musicians.



MUSIC SHARING strives to bring Western classical and traditional Japanese music into schools, hospitals, and other institutions, by offering a variety of programs including the Visiting Program, Instrumental Instruction for the Disabled Program, and International Community Engagement Program (ICEP). Midori and other notable musicians volunteer their time and talent to serve as performers and instructors.



MUSIC SHARING, which first began functioning in Tokyo in 1992, operates solely on the basis of charitable contributions from individuals, foundations, and corporations. It is purely focused on sharing love of music and has no governmental or political interests or affiliations.



## About MUSIC SHARING ICEP



Myanmar, and Nepal.

The goal of MUSIC SHARING's ICEP is to spread the power of music and to help interconnect diverse communities with the wider world. Every December since 2005, when the program took place in Vietnam, ICEP has taken place in different Asian countries each year such as India, Cambodia, Indonesia, Mongolia, Laos, Bangladesh,





During an ICEP presentation, Midori and three other young musicians form a string quartet and perform for varied



audiences such as in schools, hospitals, and orphanages. There is special emphasis on bringing joys of music to children, the elderly, and the disabled. Each presentation of about three-quarters of an hour consists of an introduction to the musical instruments and the selected pieces as

well as performance. Musicians talk to the audience members and play their selections, and at the end welcome questions from the listeners.



For more information: <http://www.musicsharing.jp/>; <https://musicsharingweb.wordpress.com/>

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