

VERONICA BELL

VIOLINIST, VOCALIST, PIANIST



Veronica is the passionate violinist of Zamar using this beautiful instrument to speak a language of hope and passion for life! She began her violin lessons at the age of four from Mrs. Clutton in Newcastle. During her school years she took lessons from Mr. Ahlers (Johannesburg), Professor Allen Solomon (Johannesburg), Mr. La Castro (Durban) and Mrs. Robertson (Pietermaritzburg).

She furthered her studies at the University of Pretoria in 1991 with Prof Allen Solomon, but she continued studying at the University of Stellenbosch from the year 1993, where she was being taught by Professor Jack de Wet. In 1994 she performed with the Cape Town Symphonic Orchestra as solo violinist during the National Youth Festival and completed her Teachers degree in Violin. In 1995 she studied her Practical Honours in Bachelor Music Ensemble work under the teaching of Professor Eric Rycroft.

Other performances that highlight her career as solo artist is her part as solo violinist in the Mozart Mannewales Production during the "Volksbladfees" in 2006, KKNK 2007 and the Organ and Violin performance called, "Four Seasons" alongside Mario Nell. They rearranged Vivaldi's Four Seasons for violin and orchestra, and Astor Piazzolla's Four Seasons from Buenos Aires for organ and violin in the Moederkerk in Stellenbosch.

She also received training in piano (UNISA grade 8 and four year University training under Ella Fourie (TUKS) and Bennie van Eeden (University of Stellenbosch) and vocal (UNISA grade 6). During her studies she accompanied students for their examinations.

She's played the violin in Zamar since 2005 and as a result of that has performed with many of South Africa's well known artists, like Jannie Moolman, Rina Hugo, Danie Niehaus, Anna Davel , Karen Meiring, Chris Chameleon, Lise Beekman, Matthys Roets, Janine Neethling and Steve Hofmeyer.

Veronica is married to Usher and they have four kids.