

# Hjalmar Bjerner

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## Profile

I am a viola player and composer based in Oslo, currently pursuing a Bachelor's degree in Composition at the Norwegian Academy of Music. My background is rooted in classical music, having performed as an orchestral and quartet musician at venues such as the Oslo Concert Hall and the Norwegian Opera. My compositional work explores playful, light-hearted, and popular styles, often incorporating multimedia elements such as web applications, Scheme Lisp, and theatrics.

## Education

- 2021–Present **Bachelor in Composition, Norwegian Academy of Music (NMH)**, Oslo  
Studying composition under the tutelage of Simon Løffler
- 2018–2021 **Viola Studies, Unge Talenter Barratt Due**, Oslo  
Studied with Prof. Soon-Mi Chung.
- 2020–2021 **Composition Talent Program, Norwegian Academy of Music**, Oslo  
Studied with Rune Rebne.
- 2014–2020 **Music Talent Program, Majorstuen School**, Oslo  
Theory, ear training, chamber music, and viola.

## Selected Works & Projects

- 2023 **Big Papa Slug, The Musical, Composer & Arranger**, KHiO  
Provided arrangements and original material for a drag musical production at the Oslo National Academy of the Arts.
- 2022 **Liten låt i A-dur, Published Score**, Norsk Musikkforlag  
Solo violin piece published by a major Norwegian music publisher.
- Ongoing **Drawanote, Web Application**  
A DIY composition web-app allowing users to generate musical works in the browser. Built using Python (Flask), JavaScript and lilypond scheme.  
<https://hjalmarbjerner.com/wohltemperiert/>
- Upcoming **...åssen plystre det vekk?, Composition**, Ter Jung ensemble  
New work for string orchestra.

## Experience

2017–2024 **Viola Player**, *Kvartett Amici*, Oslo

- Active member of the string quartet, participating in the Young Quartet Series (Oslo Quartet Series).
- Performed at venues including the Oslo Concert Hall and the Norwegian Opera.

## █ Languages

Swedish Native  
Norwegian Fluent  
English Fluent  
French Conversational

## █ Technical Skills

Music SuperCollider, Lilypond, Csound (Active user), Ableton Live (Basic knowledge)  
Software  
Development Python (Flask), JavaScript, HTML/CSS, Scheme (Lisp), Git  
Tools Emacs, Linux

## █ References

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