

SPECIAL FEATURE on Dong-Oo LEE

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It is a real pleasure to introduce you in much fuller detail the splendid career of our dear FaceBook friend Dong-Oo Lee. He is currently Professor of Cello, Chair of Strings and Chamber Music at the University of Ulsan, College of Music.

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He has played as Principal Solo Cellist of the K.B.S. Symphony Orchestra (Korean Broadcasting System) for over fifteen years. Simultaneously he was also principal cello of the The Seoul Baroque Ensemble, as an anecdote formed by his late father-in-law, Bong-Cho Jeon (this is now Korea's premier chamber orchestra).

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He was for a while cellist of the Laurentian String Quartet, which included a residence in the Sarah Lawrence College Preparatory Music Program. He also worked several years as Assistant Principal Cellist of the Orchestra of Santa Fe (U.S.A.).

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Before his long and high-level professional experience he had studied Music Performance, General and Political Science at The University of New Mexico (1974 - 1978), Cello Performance (Bachelor of Arts) at the New England Conservatory of Music (1978 - 1981), and in the 1990s finished a Master's degree (Cello - Chamber & Orchestral) in the Kharkov National Philharmonic Institute.

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A most intelligent and respected musician, I should like to put a phrase in his own words, for it makes for delightful reading:

“a person who understands what commitments and responsibilities are need to be a professional musician/artist. That what I have accomplished in my career is due to so many wonderful people who helped me in the past and I treat it as a "gift"..... the reason why I continue my work in music is to share it with as many people I can.”

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