



Welcome to the 2013 Stradivarius Competition hosted by the University of Utah School of Music.

Utah is a place that celebrates beauty as well as individual achievement. Music – and in particular the excellence of the violin – provides vital contributions to the life of this community.

The School of Music welcomes you and challenges you to rise to your very best in these coming days. We celebrate the accomplishments of each of you. We applaud your teachers and we cherish the incredible music that is so deeply embedded in our minds and hearts.

I look forward to your success.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "James E. Gardner". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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