

# Life Is a Symphony



## ***Meet Russell Wilson...*** ***violinist and grownup***

Until recently the youngest member of the VSO, Russell says his biggest challenge is "getting out of school and trying to figure out what I'm going to do in the real world."

Grownups have to be practical... so Russell is taking auditions and teaching at the Quincy Point Music Academy south of Boston. Working at Starbucks is a distant memory, and his car loan is paid off!

But he has dreams... like being in a full-time string quartet, or (having had his viola stolen twice in three years) starting a program to provide instruments for needy students.

Best advice: learn from your mistakes.

Pet peeve: people who seem like they're in a coma all the time and never get passionate about things they say they love to do.

Watch out, real world!

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