David Adams

As well as his commitments with the London Bridge Trio, David Adams is leader of the Orchestra of Welsh National Opera. In his role at WNO David has performed several concertos with the orchestra and enjoys directing concerts from the violin.

Equally at home on violin and viola, David makes regular guest appearances, recordings and broadcasts with the Nash Ensemble, Endellion String Quartet, Gould Piano Trio and Hebrides Ensemble. He has recorded the complete Brahms Piano Quartets with the Gould Piano Trio and the Beethoven String Quintets with the Endellion String Quartet. He regularly attends the International Musicians Seminar at Prussia Cove. David also appears as guest leader with most of the orchestras in the UK including the Hallé, BBC Scottish Symphony Orchestra, BBC National Orchestra of Wales, BBC Philharmonic, BBC Symphony Orchestra, Scottish Chamber Orchestra, Royal Scottish National Orchestra and also the Swedish Radio Symphony Orchestra.

Coming from a musical family, his father was Principal Viola of the Halle Orchestra and he is married to the cellist Alice Neary. Together Alice and David are Artistic Directors of the Penarth Chamber Music Festival which takes place each summer in Penarth Pier Pavilion. After being encouraged and guided by his father, his principal teachers include Daniel Phillips, Zvi Zeitlin, Malcolm Layfield and Misha Amory (viola).