

# Borman Violins

It's been another great year at Borman violins. Terry has been traveling a lot this year. He's been to New York, Denver, Indianapolis, and Minneapolis to meet with clients, deliver instruments and present at the Violin Society of America's annual convention. Here's our semi-annual newsletter to catch up on all the latest!



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## IN THE NEWS



Terry was honored to have been interviewed last Fall by Laurie Niles of Violinist.com. Laurie was also in Indy for the VSA Convention and the Indianapolis International Violin Competition so she and Terry spent some time together talking about his work as a luthier and the research he has been publishing on CT scanning of historic instruments along with his new venture, Instrumental Insight; a tool designed for musicians to have as much information as the shops about an instrument's previous repairs and other issues. Visit Instrumental Insight to learn more.

Please click [here](#) to read the article on Violinist.com



## BORMAN VIOLA

We have a rare Borman viola available for resale.

It has a beautiful, warm, round tone that projects well in the largest of halls but when needed can cut through the fullest orchestration. The instrument's acoustic qualities and tonal palette allow it to be successful in all situations; i.e. orchestral, chamber, and soloist. Completed in 1988, it's a newer instrument that captures the sound and quality of older, more expensive instruments.

From Terry: "Prior to leaving my shop this second time I have ensured the instrument is in virtually new condition i.e. soundpost, bridge, strings, varnish, fingerboard, pegs, etc. have all been reviewed and brought to "like new" function. The only aspect of this instrument that is not "like new" is that it has been well played in for the past 26 years. Pinchas Zukerman played it and loved it."

Visit [BormanViolins.com/availableviola.asp](http://BormanViolins.com/availableviola.asp)

For an idea of what the instrument sounds like, you can click [here](#), [here](#), and [here](#) to listen to Jaime Laredo playing the Shostakovich "Sonata for Viola & Piano Op. 147" on his Borman viola.

*The back length is 16.5" or 423mm.*

*The upper bout is relatively narrow to allow easy access to the upper registers.*



# HOW TO VIDEOS AND WORKBOOK FOR LUTHIERS

Over the years Terry has been compiling an online workbook for luthiers.

Originally compiled by his former apprentice Scott Rawley, Terry has added additional information, pictures and live video demonstrations.

The workbook includes chapters on wood selection, graduating plates, neck setting, pegs, bridge placement, and many other topics.

Our YouTube channel includes videos on smoothing and graduating plates, cutting purfling channels, fitting and gluing the purfling, adjusting bridges that are pulling and other topics.

Please visit the workbook on our website or the YouTube channel for more info.



## FREE SCREENSAVERS



As a gift to our clients and friends, we have created two beautiful screensavers free for download on our website.

Over the years, Terry has had the opportunity to photograph some amazing classical instruments. Our high resolution images of Stradivaris and Guarneris have been compiled into an easy to use screensaver file.

There are several versions available depending on your needs. Please visit the screensaver page on our website to download your choice. The page also includes instructions on how to install the file if you need help.

We hope you enjoy it as much as we do!

## WISEMAN CASES

Borman Violins is proud to be the sole North American distributor for Wiseman violin/viola cases with a built in tracking system.

Wiseman has been a well known name in orchestral instrument cases for over 30 years but has never built violin or viola cases until now.

We believe they offer the best possible protection for your instrument and bows. With Wiseman's inclusive warranty, this will be the last case you ever need to purchase.

These cases are not just for very expensive instruments, they are for anyone with an instrument of moderate value; especially when you add in the cost of your bows. We are currently negotiating with insurance companies for preferential rates for owners of these cases.

Visit our website for complete details and a special rate.

