

Instrument Care

Stringed Instrument Care

1. Always keep your instrument in its case when not in use.
2. Do not transport your instrument in a truck bed or leave it longer than an hour in the car.
3. It is always best to set a cello or bass on its side when you are not playing. If your instrument falls over, it may break the bridge or the neck.
4. Avoid rapid temperature changes. If you bring your instrument from a cold to a warm area, leave it in its case to change temperature slowly and to prevent cracking the finish or wood. Do not leave it anywhere that you would not like to be. So don't leave it in extreme hot or cold places.
5. After you finish playing, remove any rosin and hand oils from the instrument and strings with a soft, dry cloth.
6. If you burn wood to heat your home or if your home is extremely dry, use a humidifier and consider buying a damp-it kit. We have them for sale for under \$10.

Bow Care

1. Be careful not to bang the head or drop the bow as this can break the head.
2. Keep the bow away from extreme heat. This can warp the bow.
3. Always loosen the hair when you are not using the bow. If you do not do this, over time the bow will warp.
4. Keep the bow stick clean by wiping off excess rosin and any perspiration after each use with a soft, dry cloth.