

# VIRA BURMENKO

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Canadian Citizen  
ACTRA Apprentice  
SOCAN Member  
Representation:  
**EMG Canada**

Emerging Artist of The Year Nominated InFame Awards 2016  
Toronto Short Film Festival Selected 3Mix Feature  
Akademia Awards 2015 Winner Best Instrumental X2:  
The NeverEnding Tango - Best Latin and Three-Mix - Best Classical/Electronica

## Film:

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|---|-------------------|----------|
| • <i>Best Christmas Party Ever</i> TV Film                  | Violinist         | Hallmark |
| • <i>3Mix</i> by Northview 32 Inc. - Short Film/Music Video | Dancing Violinist | TSFF     |

## Television

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| • <i>Single Ladies</i> TV Series   | Musician/Band/Violinist  | Centric |
| • <i>Hemlock Grove</i> S. 3, Ep. 1 | Gypsy Musician/Violinist | Netflix |
| • <i>Hemlock Grove</i> S. 2, Ep. 1 | Gypsy Musician/Violinist | Netflix |

## Music Videos:

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| • <i>Man's World</i> by Eli Jacob                        | Violinist                  | YouTube                |
| • <i>Sweet Words</i> by Lowa Kay                         | Feature Sexy Boss/Employer | YouTube                |
| • <i>Coast2Coast FM</i> NYC Sept. 2014                   | Artist/Violinist/Dancer    | YouTube, Coast2CoastFM |
| • <i>Gole Naz Darom</i> by Moein, A Persian Music Artist | Violinist                  | YouTube                |

## Training:

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| • Acting for Non-Majors II S08 FA THEA 1521 Cr= 3.00 York University | Instructor: Aleksandar Lukac                       |
| • Acting for Non-Majors I S08 FA THEA 1520 Cr= 3.00 York University  | Instructor: Michael Kelly                          |
| • The Actors' Place Workshop (TAP)                                   | Instructors: Ivan Wr<br>Dan Willmott<br>Justin Hay |

• **Scene Work** • **Monologues** • **In-Class Improv Skids and Exercises** • **Reading Material and Reflection**

## Education:

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| • MA Music York University<br>2011  | Thesis <i>Descension and Ascension</i> , Supervisor David Mott; York University Graduate Assistant; OGS (Ontario Graduate Scholarship) Recipient, Sound Streams Music Composer of <i>Exorcist</i> , an Overture for A Capella Choir, 2010 Representing York University - Honorarium Recipient |
| • BFA Music York University<br>2009 | Honors, Marion Lower Prize in Composition Recipient;<br><b>Violin Instructors:</b> Peggy Hills, Ian Grant   |

## Publications:

- *My Key to Immortality: Tuning your Mind into The Life of Universal Love* - Book, March 13, 2013, Balboa Press, a Division of Hay House @ www.mykeytoimmortality.com
- *Descension and Ascension*, Violin Solo Suite, Composition and MA Thesis, May 2011, York University

## Special Skills:

Violin (Gypsy, classical, popular, folk, jazz, modern, contemporary, dub-step), piano, performance, composition, arranging, music and performance improvisation, songwriting, singing, violin-dance, dance, thai-chi, improv acting, teaching/coaching, music theory, contemporary musicianship, visual arts (live exhibit and catalog): painting, drawing, sculpting, silk-painting; Personal Protection System International Certificate: An Intense Course of Study in Self-Defense Level 1;

**Languages:** Russian (fluent), Ukrainian (fluent), German (intermediate), dog handling