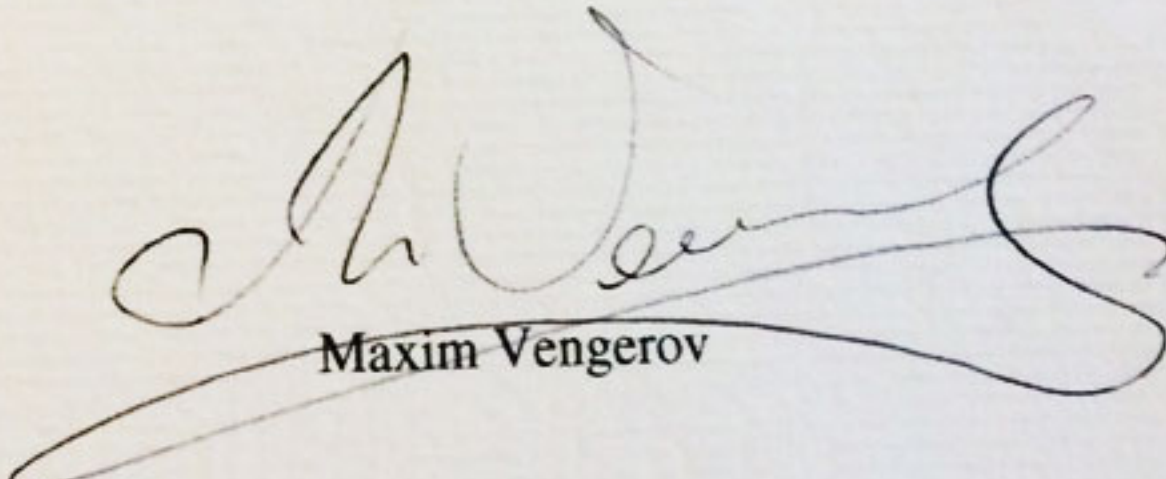


**TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN**

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I have had the pleasure of working with a few students of Miguel Negri in Lugano, Switzerland, who played for me works by Mozart, Schubert, Beethoven, Lalo and Waxman.

I was delighted to see that the standard of performance of all of them was very high. From the musical point of view they showed great understanding for contrasting styles and a refined taste. They also showed a brilliant virtuoso technique that was, however, always serving the music. It impressed me to realise that they were so inspired and motivated by their teacher. This experience left behind me the conviction that Miguel Negri is a very remarkable violin teacher and deserves a lot of attention. I can recommend him most highly.



Maxim Vengerov