#### Lesson 8

# Fantastic Phrases

#### How to use this Fun Sheet?

- 1. Watch the video lesson
- 2. Read through this fun sheet

If you don't remember how to do an exercise exactly, rewatch that bit of the video. Put this fun sheet on your music stand (printed or on your phone).

PRACTICE! Do the exercises daily for at least one week.

Review bits of the video and this fun sheet on a regular basis to make sure your practice leads to perfection.

Celebrate and write down your results and go to the next lesson!

# What you'll achieve:

Express yourself in music and tell your story by learning how to recognize and communicate phrases in your violin playing.

"To play a wrong note is insignificant; to play without passion is inexcusable." Ludwig van Beethoven

## What you've learned:

If you can be moved by music, you've got it in you to play expressively!

02:02 From one note to one story

06:08 Tools to express phrases in your playing

Dynamics, bow division, vibrato (demonstration at 08:04), timing and visualization of the picture you want to paint. I share some rules of thumb to help you get started.

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# What you can play with:

# 05:26 Listen to your favorite recording and mark the phrases in your sheet music

By doing this for a piece you play, you can make space for expression instead of being completely occupied with playing the right notes in the right rhythm.

### 06:54 Grab an old piece to practice phrasing

As you know how to play the piece, it's easier to make space for expression and to not get lost in the playing technique.

### 09:03 Experiment with visualization

Record yourself and tell the difference! The first recording is of how you would normally play the piece. After that, imagine what the music is about, create a clear picture in your head and keep this in mind while making the second recording. Write down what you notice.

Happy practicing and see you in the next lesson once you've done these exercises daily for AT LEAST one week ;).

# Want my personal guidance to learn ALL about phrasing?

In my extensive online program Bow like a Pro I've got dozens of videos about phrasing. You'll learn more in depth how to recognize phrases and express yourself in your repertoire.

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