New York City—based Venezuelan violist Ramón Carrero-Martínez is the newly appointed Principal Viola of the Hartford Symphony Orchestra and Viola Faculty at Purchase College's Conservatory of Music (SUNY). An internationally recognized chamber musician and educator, he recently completed the prestigious Ensemble Connect Fellowship at Carnegie Hall (2023–2025), a program uniting world-class performance with community engagement in NYC public schools.

As a former member of the award-winning Terra String Quartet, Carrero-Martínez earned top prizes at leading international competitions, including the Fischoff Chamber Music Competition (Grand Prize, 2022), Melbourne International Chamber Music Competition (Second Prize, 2023), and Osaka International Chamber Music Competition and Festa (Third Prize, 2023). He has appeared as soloist with the Orchestra San Antonio and the New York Classical Players, and performs with ensembles such as the Orpheus Chamber Orchestra, Exponential Ensemble, Metropolis Ensemble, and New York City Ballet.

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