

# GLASSER ★ NY<sup>®</sup>

PRODUCT CATALOG





## Nickel-Silver Mounted BCF Bows

Established in 1938, Glasser Bows has been the industry leader in bows for more than 80 years. Our patented Braided Carbon Fiber bows are the ideal choice for serious musicians. They offer exceptional performance and are highly responsive. Unlike other composite bows, our proprietary processes and unique solid core give Glasser BCF bows an even feel and balance. A clear finish showcases the aesthetic beauty of this bow's braided design. All Glasser BCF bows are mounted with the finest fully lined Paulus ebony and snakewood frogs, have high quality selected bow hair, and are covered by our limited lifetime warranty.



**BCF/BCFK Series:** Glasser Braided Carbon Fiber bows are nickel-silver mounted with a fully lined ebony frog, goldfisch abalone slide and large eye, matching three-part button, and nickel-silver wire grip and tip. Round models (BCF) are available in 4/4, 3/4, and 1/2 for violin, viola, and cello. French and German model bass bows are available in 3/4, and 1/2. Octagonal (BCFK) models are available in full size only for all instruments.



**BCFX Series:** Our entry level BCFX Braided Carbon Fiber bows feature a fully lined Paulus ebony frog with white mother of pearl slide and single eye, matching three-part button, nickel-silver wire grip and composite tip. BCFX models are available only in round stick for all instruments, choice of black or brown. 4/4, 3/4, and 1/2 sizes are available for violin, viola, and cello. French and German model bass bows are available in 3/4 and 1/2.



**BCFR Series:** The BCFR model is a hybrid braided carbon fiber and red composite fiber bow. This gives the bow a distinctive look as well as a bit more flexibility. BCFR bows are nickel-silver mounted with a fully lined ebony frog, goldfisch abalone pearl slide and large eye, matching three-part button and a nickel-silver wire grip and tip. BCFR models are available only in round stick for all instruments. 4/4, 3/4, and 1/2 sizes are available for violin, viola, and cello. French and German model bass bows are available in 3/4 and 1/2.

# BRAIDED CARBON FIBER® BOWS

## Silver & Gold Mounted BCF Bows

Glasser BCFS and BCFG silver and gold mounted bows are produced and hand-selected for their quality. The weight and balance of these highly-finished sticks are designed and chosen to best match the specific sterling or gold fittings. Custom weight requests can be accommodated.

**BCFS:** Our sterling silver mounted Braided Carbon Fiber bows feature deluxe fully-lined ebony or snakewood Paulus frogs, with the highest quality goldfish abalone pearl slides and large eyes, sterling silver wire grip and tip, and matching three-part button. These bows are available in either round (BCFS) or octagonal (BCFSK), full size only for all instruments.



**BCFG:** Our premier 585 gold (14K) mounted Braided Carbon Fiber bows feature deluxe fully-lined ebony Paulus frogs with the highest quality goldfish abalone pearl slides and large eyes, gold wire grip and tip, and matching three-part button. These bows are available in either round (BCFG) or octagonal (BCFGK), full size only for all instruments.



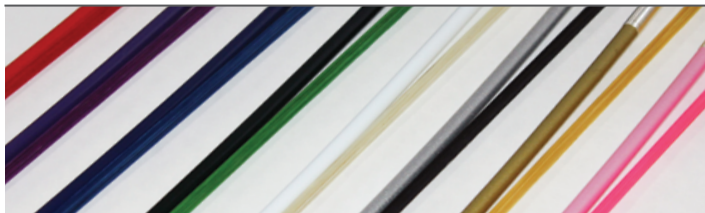
# FIBERGLASS BOWS

Glasser, the company that invented and patented the world's first Fiberglass bow offers students the best alternative to wooden bows. They are extremely durable and, like all Glasser Bows, are covered by our limited lifetime warranty. Our bow is comfortable in the hand and plays with outstanding responsiveness. All Glasser fiberglass bows come with unbleached horsehair, a satin black finish is standard, and are eligible for the Reconditioning Program.

**H Series:** Our standard Fiberglass bow features a half-lined bow frog, an imitation three-part button, and a leatherette grip. Available in all sizes for all instruments.



**SH Series:** Our Premium Wire Grip Fiberglass bow features a half-lined bow frog, an imitation three-part button, a nickel-silver winding and imitation lizard grip. Available in all sizes for all instruments.



**SHC/SHCC:** The SH Glasser fiberglass bows are also offered in a variety of stick and hair colors. You can customize your bow by selecting a colored stick (SHC) with standard white hair, or also add colored hair (SHCC).



Red



Purple



Blue



Green



Black



Yellow



Pink

**THESE 7 BOW HAIR COLORS CAN BE USED ON ALL CUSTOM BOWS.**

**STICK COLORS AVAILABLE FOR ALL SH, X, AC, AND CG SERIES BOWS**



Red



Purple



Blue



Black



White



Silver



Gold



Pink



Brown



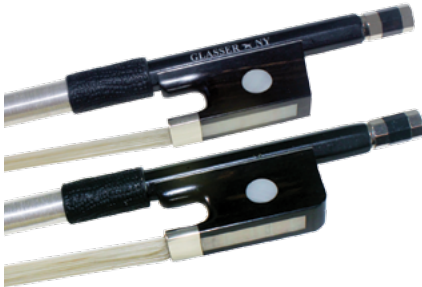
Green



# COMPOSITE GRAPHITE BOWS

A pioneer in composite technology for decades, Glasser has developed a number of composite/graphite bows each with a different look and feel. Designed for the advancing player, the X, AC, CG, and Texalium series bows use different recipes of composite materials and fittings.

All composite bows are nickel mounted with a Paulus ebony frog, nickel-silver wound, have an imitation lizard grip, a three-part button, come with unbleached natural white horsehair, and are covered by our limited lifetime warranty. They can be customized with different stick/hair colors similar to the options for the SH Series fiberglass bows.



**X Series:** Our X-series carbon graphite bows are satin black, mounted with a half-lined Paulus ebony frog with faux pearl slide and large eye. Available in all sizes for all instruments. 2000X violin and 3000X viola shown.



**AC Series:** Our AC advanced composite bows are high-gloss brown, mounted with a fully-lined Paulus ebony frog, with white mother of pearl slide and double eye. Available in all sizes for all instruments. 400AC cello and F500AC French bass bow shown.



**CG Series:** Our CG carbon graphite bows are our highest quality composite bow stick and feature a unidirectional carbon fiber core. They are high-gloss black, nickel silver mounted with a fully lined Paulus ebony frog with flamed abalone slide and double eye. Available in all sizes for all instruments. G5000CG German bass bow shown.



**Texalium Bows:** Our standard X Series bows are dressed up with a Texalium skin. Available in a variety of dye-coated colors that provide a very different look than the standard Glasser color options. All bows have a half-lined Paulus ebony frog with matching colored faux pearl eye and slide. Available for violin/viola 4/4-1/4, cello and bass full-size only. 2000TEX violin bows shown.

## TEXALIUM STICK COLORS



Green



Red



Copper



Purple



Blue



Silver



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# *Quality Instruments*

Glasser Bows has long been a world leader in developing innovative products with the use of composite materials. Glasser Carbon Composite instruments are the latest development. Built to last, they look and sound great. Glasser's patent pending designs make for instruments with excellent tonal quality and incredible durability. All Glasser instruments come with a limited lifetime warranty and are eligible for service or upgrade through Glasser's Reconditioning Program.

Glasser instruments are available in both acoustic and acoustic-electric models, with 4-string and 5-string options in a variety of colors and finishes. All Glasser instruments are set-up with Larsen Strings, Planetary Tuning Pegs, and a Glasser carbon composite tailpiece with 4 fine tuners for the ultimate tunability.

These instruments can be purchased individually or as a part of an outfit. All violin and cello outfits include Glasser bows, cases or gig bags, and accessories that enhance their value to the customer. The Glasser Custom Shop allows you to select custom instruments, cases or bags, bows, and accessories to get your customer their perfect outfit.



# ACOUSTIC INSTRUMENTS

Our standard acoustic instruments have a satin finish over an orange dye coat showcasing their distinctive carbon fiber weave. All Glasser instruments are set-up with Larsen Strings, Planetary Tuning Pegs, and a Glasser carbon composite tailpiece. Available in multiple sizes, 5-string models are available only for full-size instruments.



**Violin-Acoustic:** Glasser acoustic violins and outfits are available in 4/4, 3/4, and 1/2. 5-string models and outfits are available in 4/4 only. Acoustic violin outfits include a 203SH fiberglass Glasser bow, a Glasser tuner, a Glasser rosin, a polishing cloth, all in a Glasser backpack case.

**Viola-Acoustic:** Glasser acoustic violas are available in 12" through 16.5" models. 5-string models are available in 14" through 16.5" only.



**Cello-Acoustic** Glasser 4-string cellos and outfits are available in 4/4, 3/4, and 1/2. 5-string models and outfits are available in 4/4 only. Acoustic cello outfits include a Glasser BCFX Braided Carbon Fiber bow, a Glasser rosin, a Glasser tuner, a polishing cloth, in a padded travel bag.

# ACOUSTIC-ELECTRIC INSTRUMENTS

Our AE carbon series acoustic-electric instruments feature a high-gloss clear coat over a colored dye coat, showcasing the distinctive carbon fiber weave. All Glasser instruments are set-up with Larsen Strings, Planetary Tuning Pegs, and a Glasser carbon composite tailpiece. Available in seven colors, both 4 and 5-string models are available.

Glasser AE instruments combine the advanced technology of the acoustic instrument with state-of-the-art electronics with pre-amplification by Bartolini, and Schatten bridge pick-ups. This allows for the instrument to be played acoustically or plug in to the Glasser Swordtail active chinrest/tailpiece systems (patent pending).



Black

Orange

Champagne

**Violin Acoustic-Electric:** Glasser AE acoustic electric violins and outfits are available in 4 or 5-string models, 4/4 only. AE violin outfits include a 2015BCFX Glasser Braided Carbon Fiber Bow, a Glasser instrument stand, a Glasser rosin, a polishing cloth, and a 10' right-angle cable, all in a backpack case.



Green

Blue

**Viola-Acoustic-Electric:** Glasser AE acoustic electric violas are available in 4 or 5-string models, 14" through 16.5." Viola outfits will be available soon.



Purple

Red

**Cello Acoustic-Electric:** Glasser AE acoustic electric cellos and outfits are available in 4 or 5-string models, 4/4 only. AE cello outfits include a Glasser BCFX Braided Carbon Fiber bow, a Glasser rosin, a Glasser tuner, an instrument stand, a 10' right angle cable, a polishing cloth, in a padded gig bag.

*All AE Acoustic-Electric Instruments are available in all 7 colors shown.*



# AEX ACOUSTIC ELECTRIC INSTRUMENTS

Our AEX series acoustic-electric instruments are finished with a different paint/dye coating system than the AE carbon series instruments. This provides a distinctive, highly-finished, slightly pearlescent solid color to the body of the instrument. All Glasser instruments are set-up with Larsen Strings, Planetary Tuning Pegs, and a Glasser carbon composite tailpiece. Available in 4 or 5-string models, and 9 color options.

Glasser AEX instruments combine the advanced technology of the acoustic instrument with state-of-the-art electronics with pre-amplification by Bartolini, and Schatten bridge pick-ups.

This allows for the instrument to be played acoustically or plug in to the Glasser Swordtail active chinrest/tailpiece systems (patent pending).

**Violin Acoustic-Electric AEX:** Glasser AEX violins and outfits are available in 4 or 5-string models, 4/4 only. AEX violin outfits include a matching 203SHC Glasser bow, a Glasser instrument stand, a Glasser rosin, a polishing cloth, and a 10' right-angle cable, all in a backpack case.



Pink

Gun Metal

Green



Blue

Red

White

**Viola-AEX:** Glasser AEX violas are available in 4 or 5-string models, 14" through 16.5." Viola outfits will be available soon.



Black

Purple

Silver

**Cello Acoustic-Electric AEX:**

Glasser AEX cellos and outfits are available in 4 or 5-string models, 4/4 only. AEX cello outfits include a matching Glasser 403SHC bow, a Glasser rosin, a Glasser tuner, an instrument stand, a 10' right angle cable, a polishing cloth, in a padded gig bag.

**All AEX Acoustic-Electric Instruments are available in all 9 colors shown.**

# LARSEN STRINGS

Larsen Strings recently celebrated its 25th year in business. It all began when Laurits Larsen offered to help a colleague who desperately needed cello A strings. Eighteen months later Larsen Strings was born. Since that time Larsen Strings has grown into a world leader in string technology. Known for their craftsmanship and beautiful sound, Larsen makes some of the finest strings in the world.

For over 20 years Glasser Bows has been Larsen's exclusive importer for North America. The cooperation between the companies has forged a deep friendship. The companies have grown together and Glasser is honored to represent Larsen in North America and bring these strings to you.

## CELLO STRINGS

The Larsen name is synonymous with fine cello strings played by top musicians world-wide. Larsen offers several different types of cello strings, each purpose-driven with different artists and instruments in mind.



**Original:** Larsen Original cello strings are the default A & D strings for many advanced players. Larsen Original provides a deep, warm and focused sound with great power and personality. All four strings are offered in soft, medium and strong. An aluminum E string is also available.



**Original Soloist:** Original Soloist features enhanced projection, focus, and volume, particularly at the higher harmonics required by the professional solo player. Soloist is offered in all three tensions for A, D and G, optimized slightly above the Original equivalents. The A and D strings are wound with precision rolled stainless steel flat wire, the G string with tungsten.



**Larsen Fractional Cello:** Keeping all things in proportion: Our aim was to offer Larsen cello for smaller instruments without compromising the Original Larsen sound. Larsen fractional cello strings are not merely shorter versions of full-sized strings. They are perfectly proportioned versions of our full-size originals. Available for 3/4, 1/2, 1/4, and 1/8 size cello.



**Magnacore:** The Perfected Set. Magnacore is an extremely well-balanced set for the professional cellist, offering a charismatic sound with an endless palette of colors to work with. The regular Magnacore sets are designed for symphony and solo players looking for power and balance.



**Magnacore Ariosos:** The Ariosos version was designed for the gourmet musician experimenting with new combinations of sound texture and color. Ariosos is particularly well suited to both modern and older Italian instruments that benefit from lower tension. All Magnacore options available in 4/4 only.



**Crown:** Your first step on the Larsen journey begins with Crown. Providing an affordable entry point into our range yet without compromising Larsen quality and consistency. Crown provides a smoothly brilliant sound without metallic overtones. Available in medium and strong, 4/4 only.



**Coming  
Soon**



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# "REMARKABLE BY DESIGN"

## VIOLIN STRINGS

Larsen offers four distinct violin brands, each engineered for a different musician. These options allow the musician the ability to find the right "flavor" for their own instrument and style. All brands are available in sets or individual strings with loop or ball E options.



**Original:** Larsen Original delivers a warm yet direct feel with stability and consistency of sound. Original, reliable, robust projection, ideal for the brighter to neutral sounding instrument in need of warmth. Available in medium and strong tension, with both steel and a gold-plated E options.



**Tzigane:** Tzigane delivers a smooth sound with an overlay of warmth. With excellent focus and projection, these are a mellow accompaniment for the brighter to neutral sounding instrument. Available in medium or strong, strong offers the most volume and resistance to the bow, ideal for bright violins.



**Virtuoso:** Virtuoso was specifically engineered to resonate at a lower tension, with the goal of creating a synthetic core string that delivers a nuanced sound with exceptional volume. Perfect for instruments that benefit from lower tension, Virtuoso medium shows extraordinary response, playability and sound modulation, while strong is more focused.



**Il Cannone:** Larsen celebrates Paganini's legacy with a truly revolutionary sound. The playability and feel on the fingerboard is excellent with good resistance to the bow. Il Cannone has the power to carry the concert hall, yet still has a warmth not always found in professional strings. Available in Soloist and medium versions, Il Cannone is a great choice for players at the highest levels.



**Il Cannone Warm & Broad:** The warm & broad A provides a warmer, richer sound, and is available as a single string or as part of a set for both medium and soloist tensions.



## VIOLA STRINGS

Since its original launch back in 1995, the Larsen Viola A has very nearly become the default choice as the foundation for the ideal viola set. Offering excellent projection with a broad spectrum of sound colors combined with a long lasting and consistent performance, advancing and professional violists worldwide use this string as their "go-to" A string.



**Original:** Offering versatility and projection combined with long lasting and consistent performance. Original lends a lovely mellow sound, while strong offers brightness and power. The Viola A string is made on a solid steel core, while the D, G, and C strings are made with a unique multi-filament nylon core. All strings are offered in medium and strong, the A string is also available in soft.



**Virtuoso:** Larsen has been seeking a compliment to the popular A, and has found it with the development of the Virtuoso for Viola. The Original A string is based upon a solid steel core, the Virtuoso D, G and C strings are upon a synthetic multi-filament core, wound with pure silver. Available in medium and Soloist, and now also offered in a longer scale for 16 1/2+ instruments that require a longer vibrating length.



# ACCESSORIES

## GLASSER TAILPIECES

All Glasser Carbon Composite Tailpieces are made of an ultra-light carbon fiber loaded composite material. They include a nylon coated braided steel cable tailpiece fasteners and four built-in adjusters for easy fine tuning: Available in boxed for resale or bulk.

- ▶ Violin available in 4/4, 3/4, 1/2, 1/4, 1/8, 1/16, and 4/4 5-String.
- ▶ Viola available in 15-15 1/2, and 16-16 1/3.
- ▶ Cello available in 4/4, 3/4-1/2, and 1/4-1/8.
- ▶ Bass available in 4/4-3/4, 1/2, and 1/4.



## CARBON FIBER ENDPINS, BASS AND CELLO

Glasser has top-quality woven carbon fiber endpins for cello and bass. The endpin's unique tightening mechanism gives it incredible holding power and stability.



## BASS TRANSPORT WHEELS

Glasser Bass Transport Wheels are extremely durable and come in a variety of shaft diameters to fit virtually any bass. Available with or without brake, in 10 mm standard to fit Glasser endpin plugs, but also available in 8, 9.5, 12.7, 14.3, and 15mm options.

## SWORDTAIL ACTIVE TAILPIECE SYSTEMS

The Swordtail is a patent-pending active tailpiece system for cello and upright bass. Both include a 1/4" input jack, volume control, tone control, Bartolini amplification, 10' right-angle 1/4" cable, RCA adapter, and tail piece cable. Now available in single channel (cello and bass) or dual channel with active/passive switch and channel balance control (bass only). Available in both packaged and bulk.



## PERFECTION PEGS

Planetary Perfection Pegs were invented to prevent the problem of slipping pegs. These innovative pegs save time on tuning and increase the musical potential of your instrument. Perfection Pegs are now used by players of all levels—from students to concert halls. They are available in a variety of diameters to best fit your instrument. Choose your head material (synthetic, ebony, or rosewood) to best suit your budget and match your instrument. Wooden heads available in Swiss or Hill style.



# ACCESSORIES



## GLASSER INSTRUMENT STANDS

Glasser's patented adjustable-height instrument stands are rugged and versatile. Available individually or in bulk packs.

- ▶ **Violin/Viola/Ukulele Stand** : This adjustable stand is perfect for violins, violas, and ukuleles. It can hold instruments as small as a 1/4 violin up to a 16.5" viola, and also fits soprano, concert, & tenor ukuleles.
- ▶ **Cello**: This adjustable stand is perfect for cellos 4/4-1/4.
- ▶ **Bass**: This adjustable stand is perfect for basses 4/4-1/4.



## GLASSER PERFORMANCE BASS CHAIRS

These extremely high-quality bass chairs are available in both adult (68-84 cm) and junior (58-77cm) sizes. Heavy duty lumbar support also available. Features a gas-lift swivel padded vinyl seat and four stable legs.



Separate Lumbar Support

## GLASSER BOW CASES & QUIVER

Glasser has a leather bass bow quiver and several durable travel cases for your bows in a variety of sizes:

- ▶ Single bow (vn, va, vc), single bass bow (French, German), double bow, double bass bow, six-eight bow case, and twelve-bow case.



## ROSIN & STRING CLEANER

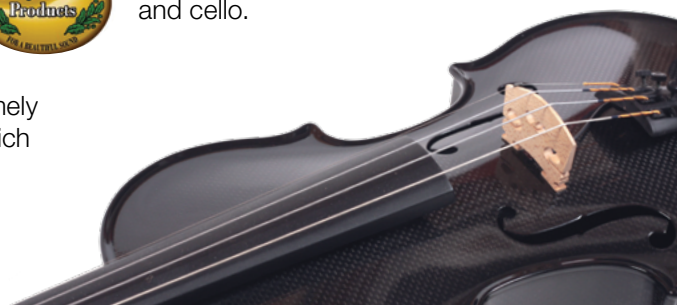
**Larsen:** Larsen Rosin is a premium rosin formulated specifically for violin, viola, or cello, in amber or red. Larsen's special process eliminates many of the allergens otherwise found in rosin for stringed instruments. Larsen Rosin is a natural product containing no harmful substances.



**Royal Oak:** Royal Oak Rosin from Germany is a medium grade rosin formulated specifically for violin, viola, or cello. The raw materials used are natural and engineered to be non-aggressive to bow hair and strings. Royal Oak String Cleaner is extremely popular. It is alcohol free which protects your instrument and strings.



**Glasser:** Glasser rosin is perfect for advanced students to professional players. It is a dark rosin suitable for violin, viola, and cello.



# BULK PURCHASING & RECONDITIONING PROGRAMS

At Glasser, we recognize that our Dealers are an integral part of our success. So often our customer's introduction to our products is in your showroom. We want to help you stay competitive in an evolving market. Our bulk buying discount programs help us both save! Extra discounts are available for volume purchases, too.

## BULK BOWS AND TAILPIECES

Glasser fiberglass H and SH series bows are available in bulk quantities of 10 (violin, viola, and cello), 4 (French bass), or 3 (German bass). Bulk buying is a great way to save money on the Glasser bows your students and school programs need. All Glasser tailpieces are available with bulk discounts.

## LARSEN OEM/BULK

Many luthiers and shops use Larsen Strings as part of the original equipment on a new instrument, or as replacement strings for their customers. When Glasser Authorized Dealers need to purchase these unpackaged strings in bulk quantities, we're here to help with special pricing. Whether you're setting up 5 instruments or 50, we can help you save money and provide your customers with top-quality Larsen Strings for their violin, viola, or cello.

## GLASSER RECONDITIONING PROGRAM

Glasser has served the industry impeccably for over 40 years, servicing several million bows in the process. All Authorized Dealers are automatically eligible to participate in the Reconditioning Program. Dealers can send used bows and instruments back to Glasser in exchange for like-new replacements. We know this service is invaluable for your customers, rental fleets, and school business. Glasser will always stand behind our products and support our Glasser Authorized Dealers.

## BOW SPECIFICATIONS

### VIOLIN

<i>size</i>	<i>length</i>	<i>weight-range</i>
4/4	29 1/4"	57-63g
3/4	27"	55-61g
1/2	24 1/2"	53-59g
1/4	22 1/8"	50-56g
1/8	19 1/4"	48-54g
1/10	18 1/4"	46-52g
1/16	17"	44-50g
1/32	15 1/2"	42-48g

### VIOLA

14"+	29 1/4"	67-73g
13"	27"	65-71g
12"	24 1/2"	63-69g
11"	22 1/8"	59-65g

### CELLO

4/4	28 1/8"	77-83g
3/4	26 1/2"	76-82g
1/2	25 3/8"	73-79g
1/4	23 3/4"	71-77g
1/8	20 7/8"	60-66g
1/10	17 3/4"	58-64g

### BASS-FRENCH

3/4	28 7/8"	136-142g
1/2	26 5/8"	128-134g
1/4	25 1/2"	125-131g
1/8	24 1/2"	115-121g
1/10	21 3/8"	113-119g

### BASS-GERMAN

3/4	29 3/4"	138-143g
1/2	27 1/2"	125-131g
1/4	26 3/8"	118-124g
1/8	25 3/8"	115-121g
1/10	22 1/4"	113-119g



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# *Our History*

The history of Glasser Bows is one that combines a total commitment to quality with a passion for innovation. Our company traces its roots back to 1938, when Leon Glasser began handcrafting wooden bows in his small Bronx, New York workshop. Today, our patented bows and patent-pending carbon instruments are marketed globally.

Four generations of the Glasser family have been committed to making innovative products. Glasser has been responsible for many “firsts” that have revolutionized bow, instrument, and accessory making. We have progressively replaced wood with composite materials, first with fiberglass, then carbon fiber.

In the 1960's Leon and Ray Glasser invented the fiberglass violin and bow. They were awarded U.S. patents for their work which ushered in the era of composite instruments and bows. In 2003, Glasser invented the braided carbon fiber bow, and was awarded a U.S. patent in 2007. In 2000, Glasser was honored to be selected as the exclusive importer of Larsen Strings in North America.

Glasser will continue bring new products and ideas to bow, instrument, and accessory making. Our devoted customers would expect nothing less from the company that has set the standard for excellence in products and service for over 80 years. Thank you to the distributors and Glasser Authorized Dealers who have been so loyal to Glasser Bows and products. We look forward to working with you for many years to come!







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