

A native of New Jersey, Robert started cello lesson with Avron Twerdowsky, cellist with the Kroll String Quartet. He later continued his studies with New York Philharmonic cellist Avron Coleman. After receiving his BA and MA in Music Education as well as an MFA in Chamber Music, Robert studied with Harvey Shapiro and George Ricci. He supplemented his cello studies by attending the Mozarteum with cellist Antonio Janigro.

As cofounder and cellist of the Laurentian String Quartet, Robert performed in New York's Alice Tully Hall, Merkin Hall and several radio broadcasts on WQXR. In addition to performances in the United States the Laurentian String Quartet gave concerts in Italy, Germany, and Switzerland.

His love of teaching has always kept him involved in directing string orchestras, coaching chamber music and teaching cello.