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Alecia Griffin Lawyer

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Alecia Griffin Lawyer says without question her most rewarding Junior League of Houston placement to date was her involvement at the Holocaust Museum Houston. "I have never felt more purposeful in the mission to spread tolerance," she says of her experiences working at the museum as a docent, information desk volunteer and chairman of the placement.

Alecia has been a League member for nine years and was interested in joining because it provides her an efficient way to meet her desire to volunteer and allows her to meet others outside her profession. Her other diverse placements have included Sing Along with Seniors and Museum of Fine Arts Storytime Docent. She currently is completing an individual placement with the River Oaks Chamber Orchestra (ROCO).

Alecia is Founder and Principal Oboist for the ROCO which she founded in 2004 to perform a variety of classical music programs in an intimate setting with outstanding professional musicians.

"I thought of making ROCO my individual placement when I was volunteering at the



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Holocaust Museum," explains Alecia. "I was doing the same work that I needed to do for ROCO - greeting people, telling them about the museum, inviting them back, helping with informational mailings and answering phones. Through my individual placement, I provide music education and introduce music and the oboe to school children."

She has some advice for other League members looking to find their passion. "Take a chance on a challenging placement," she stresses. "Know that if you step out in faith, with God's timing there is no failure. Even if the project does not work, it is still part of your journey. I have been a part of three other orchestras that were just learning experiences for this orchestra that has been created. The River Oaks Chamber Orchestra is far beyond what I thought I was called to do with my life," she adds.

Alecia received her Master's Degree in Oboe from Juilliard. Her life includes husband, Larry, who is President of Triton Investment Group, a private consulting and investment firm specializing in US-based energy asset development. Alecia and Larry have two young boys, Jacob, age 7, and Zachary, age 4.

Alecia balances her busy schedule by taking things one at a time, focusing on the most important parts of each area and trying to be engaged completely by what is in front of her. "I also try to truly internalize and believe that the annoying little things do not matter and that the beautiful and happy little things really do." ☺