Hanna Thiel, viola da gamba, grew up in Germany. Her mother being a piano teacher, she has been surrounded by music through her childhood. She began playing the recorder and piano when she was six years old. At the age of 14, she discovered the viola da gamba, which became her primary instrument. She began her musical education at Bremen's University of Arts in 2008 under the leading of Professor Hille Perl. She received her Bachelor's degree in Music/Viola da gamba in 2012. She continued her musical studies at the Royal Danish Conservatory in Copenhagen with Susie Napper as her teacher, and completed her Master's degree in 2014.

Thiel has participated and performed in master classes with the legendary gambists Jordi Savall and Wieland Kuijken, amongst others. Hanna currently works as a freelance musician, playing with groups such as Concerto Copenhagen, Nordic Network for Early Opera, Weser Renaissance Bremen, Sirius Viols, Gothenburg Baroque, Höör Baroque Ensemble, Spielgarten and Copenhagen Soloists. She has performed at festivals, and has played on several CD recordings as well.

Hanna also performs with her own ensembles: Violette de Nuit, Eos Consort and Black Rafinesquia. Primarily, Hanna plays the bass gamba but enjoys all sizes of the gamba family, as well as lirone.

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