Anqi Liu

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EDUCATION

09/2017- present Ph.D. in Music Composition [ABD]

University of California San Diego (CA)

09/2013- 05/2016 Master of Arts in Music Composition

Rutgers University (NJ)

09/2009-05/2013 Bachelor of Arts in Music Performance & Bachelor of Law (double degree)

Xiamen University (China)

COLLEGE TEACHING EXPERIENCE

08/2023- present Rocky Mountain College of Art + Design (CO)

Subject Matter Expert (SME) | Adjunct Professor/ Department of Music Production/ Department of Liberal Arts

- ▶ Supporting the youngly established music production department the expansion of the music course curriculum.
- ▶ Design new course series and deliver music production/composition/core theory/ DSP online courses to the BFA undergrad students at RMCAD.
 - ✓ Course designer of NS3100 Acoustics of Music/A natural sciences course housed within the Liberal Arts Department/Music production-Specific Required Course
 - ✓Course co-designer of MP4250 Traditional Styles: Arrangement + Orchestration/Core theory curriculum
- Lead the department's revision of core theory curriculum, including:
 - MP1100- How Music Works,
 - MP1110- Theories of Musical Practice I.
 - MP2110- Theories of Musical Practice II
- ▶ Course Taught:
 - MP1100- How Music Works, core Theory course (with 17 enrollments/ undergraduate level)
 - MP1110- Theories of Musical Practice I, core Theory course (with 11 enrollments/undergraduate level)
 - MP1400- Digital Audio (with 5 enrollments/undergraduate level)
 - MP1230- Music Composition I (with 3 enrollments/undergraduate level)
 - MP2230- Composition II (with 5 enrollments/undergraduate level)
 - MP3330- Sound Design II: Creative DSP (with 5 enrollments/ undergraduate level)
 - NS3100- Acoustic of Music (with 5 enrollments/undergraduate level/ new course created and designed by me)
- ▶ Course Prepared to Teach and Design:
 - MP3430- Recording+Production II (undergraduate level)
 - MP3630- Film+ Game Music Production (undergraduate level)
 - MP3650- Sound for Media I (undergraduate level)

- MP3840- Digital Performance (undergraduate level)
- MP4230- Music Composition III (undergraduate level)
- MP4650- Sound for Media II (undergraduate level)
- MP4450- Advanced Audio Engineering (undergraduate level)
- MP4430- Mixing+Mastering (undergraduate level)

06/2021-12/2022 University of California San Diego (CA)

- Created, designed and taught new course series enriching the existing undergraduate curriculum at UCSD's Music Department, including:
 - MUS80- Sound Art and Its Nuanced Perspectives (with 20 enrollments/ undergraduate level/new course designed by me)
 - MUS33- Composition & Music Production (with 5 enrollments undergraduate level/new course designed by me)
 - MUS2C- Musicianship, core Theory course (with 22 enrollments/ undergraduate level/new course designed by me)
 - MUS7- Music Technologies and Media (with 44 enrollments/ undergraduate level/new course designed by me)
 - MUS114 Music of the Twentieth Century (with 66 enrollments/ undergraduate level/upper devision/new course designed by me)
 - MUS4- Introduction of Western Music (with 250 enrollments/ undergraduate level)

University of California San Diego (CA) 10/2017-06/2021

Courses taught as a Teaching Assistant

- MUS113- Music History (undergraduate level/ with 25 enrollments)
- MUS15- Popular Music (undergraduate level/ with 50 enrollments)
- MUS15- Film Score (undergraduate level/ with 50 enrollments)
- MUS2- A&B Music Theory (undergraduate level, non-majors/ with 50 enrollments)
- MUS5- Sound and Time (undergraduate level/ with 50 enrollments)
- MUS13- Contemporary Music History (undergraduate level/ with 50 enrollments)
- MUS101- Harmony and Voice Leading (undergraduate level/ with 20 enrollments)

COMMUNITY-BASED TEACHING EXPERIENCE

01/2023 – Present | Founder & Instructor Angi Liu Music Education Studio, Greater Los Angeles, CA

- ▶ Provide personalized music education for students ranging from K-12 to musical professional adults.
- ▶ Deliver comprehensive instruction in contemporary music production, creative composition, innovative listening methodologies, free improvisation, piano, and multi-instrumental studies.
- ▶ Foster an inclusive community environment dedicated to creative expression and musical innovation.

06/2022 - 09/2022 | Instructor University of California San Diego & Media Arts Center San Diego, CA

- Delivered grant-funded instruction through the Prebys grant initiative, empowering middle and high school students from local communities with skills in music technology.
- ▶ Designed and taught courses:
 - Music Technology and Beat Making (middle/high school level)
 - Podcasting (middle/high school level and adults)

08/2016 – 05/2017 | CITS Teaching Fellow University of Missouri-Kansas City / Smith-Hale Middle School & Lincoln College Preparatory Academy, Kansas City, MO

- ▶ Developed and conducted engaging curriculum and interactive sessions tailored to diverse student populations in music theory, history, and ensemble performance.
- ▶ Courses taught included:
 - Music Theory (middle/high school level)
 - Music History (high school level)
 - Band Training (middle/high school level)
 - Composition (high/middle school level)
- ▶ Mentored students in performance and academic development, promoting a supportive and inclusive learning atmosphere.

DEPARTMENT SERVICE

Supporting the youngly established Music Production department the expansion and
enhancement of the department's course offerings into upper level Junior sequences.
Graduate Representative on the Search Committee at UC San Diego
Graduate Composition Committee at UC San Diego
Graduate Composers' Vise President at Rutgers University

ALBUMS

Upcoming duo album w/ Kyle Motl, featured Anqi Liu's improvisatory performances on analog synthesizers and Kyle Motl's improvisatory performance on double bass. (Notice Recordings, New York)

Upcoming portrait album w/ performance by Steven Schick, Schallfeld Ensemble, Ensemble Palimpsest, Kyle Motl.(KAIROS Music/HNE Rights GmbH, Vienna, Austria) - June, 2025

a window on absurd, evanescent scenes...- Anqi Liu's solo album featured her improvisatory performances on modular synthesizers and the laptop. (Longform Editions, Sydney)- December, 2023

Light Beams Through Dusts, Through a Mist of Moistures- Kyle Motl's solo contrabass album (Infrequent Seams Recordings, New York)- March, 2022

A Discovery- Anqi Liu Remix- King Britt 012 A(re)- Discovery remix album (The Buddy System Recordings)-October, 2020

PUBLICATIONS

Diba, P., Regnier, J. and Liu, A. (2024) "Space as Timbre". Zenodo. doi: 10.5281/zenodo.13621810.

Liu, Anqi. "The Career Path of Chinese Young Composers." The Song of the Yellow River, CN14-1039/J, 4 (2012): 83.

Liu, Anqi. "The Inheritance of Traditional Culture—Viewing through the Present Situation of Gagaku Music in China." *Northern Music*, CN23-1062/J, 8 (2012): 131.

Liu, Anqi. "My Compositional Evolution through a Perspective of Dialectical Concept." *Northern Music*, CN23-1062/J, 7 (2012): 46.

Liu, Anqi. "The Musical Dream in the Eyes of Young Children." *Northern Music*, CN23-1062/J, 6 (2012): 109.

WORKSHOP, GUEST LECTURE AND TALK

- 2025 Workshop : Interactive Audiovisual Performance System Design
 Rocky Mountain College of Art + Design, Visiting Artist Scholar Designer Residency
- Workshop: Decolonized methodologies to the sets of the multimedia practices and live performances Festival de Música Nueva at the Universidad Autónoma de Baja California
- 2023 Lecture/ talk: Indigenous Mongolian music in the 19 Century Illinois State University
- 2022 Lecture/ talk: An innovative approach to the build of the additive synthesizer in Pure Data Illinois State University
- Talk: Field studies of indigenous Mongolian long songs at the Juu Uda herding site and its influence on a decolonized approach to the notation
 Stanford University
- Talk: A psyche space—possibilities of incorporating psyche into compositional process

 ANALYSIS, CREATION, and TEACHING of ORCHESTRATION (ACTOR) Y3 Workshop,

 McGill University
- 2019 (summer) Lessons: working with individual students on their works and projects

The Art College at Inner Mongolia University

2018 (summer) Workshops: Bridging personal experiences to the compositional practices

The Art College at Inner Mongolia University

2017 (summer) Workshops: An introduction to the contemporary compositions in the U.S. and Europe

The Art College at Inner Mongolia University

SELECTED AWARDS, HONORS, RESIDENCIES, AND COMMISSIONS

- 2025 TBA as half of āññā duo, Dog Star Orchestra Festival, Automata Theater, Los Angeles
- 2025 woowaaaditeeeer, an experimental sound film, as half of $\bar{a}\tilde{n}\tilde{n}\bar{a}$ duo, Music for Your Inbox commissioned (Los Angeles, US)
- 2025 these particles we immersed, an interactive audiovisual concert, as half of $\bar{a}n\tilde{n}\bar{a}$ duo, Rocky Mountain College of Art + Design, Visiting Artist Scholar Designer Residency (Denver, US)
- 2025 De-dimension, an interactive installation, instrumental design and live performance Oracle Egg Broiler residency, as half of $\bar{a}n\tilde{n}\bar{a}$ duo, interactive performing installation w/ self designed wearable sensor instruments and live signal processing (Los Angles, US).
- 2023 I don't know I know; I don't know I don't know, co-commissioned by Miry Concertzaal & kunstencentrum VIERNULVIER & Reiefestival Brugge (Belgium).
- 2022 While Snow..., commissioned by Bludenzer Tage zeitgemäßer Musik 2022/Schallfeild Ensemble (Bludenz, Austria).
- 2022 While Snow Berries..., commissioned by ANALYSIS, CREATION, and TEACHING of ORCHESTRATION (ACTOR)/research project Space As Timbre in 2022/ACTOR Strategic-Research-

Creation Project Funding (Montreal, Canada)

- 2022 Anqi Liu Dissertation concert- a multimedia experience with five original compositions and performances by Anqi Liu involved with photography, video, sounds as well as lights. Staging and production created and designed by Anqi Liu. (San Diego, US)
- 2021 Untitled cello solo, Darmstädter Ferienkurse (Darmstadt, Germany).
- 2021 Etude for Chaine, Ensemble Dal Niente Summer Residency/DePaul University (Chicago, IL).
- 2021 Featured composer, International Society of Bassists Convention/University of Nebraska Lincoln School of Music (Lincoln, NE).
- 2021 Featured composer, Oh My Ears Festival/New Music USA (Phoenix, AZ).
- 2021 Nocturne, commissioned by DECODA (New York, NY).
- 2020 for a voice quartet, IRCAM Manifeste composition workshop/Neue Vocalsolisten Stuttgart/Théâtre de Gennevilliers (Paris, France).
- 2020 How Light Arrives..., commissioned by Ensemble Palimpsest (San Diego, CA).
- 2019 All Partials for electroacoustic, Bushwick Open Studios/MISE-EN_PLACE Bushwick (Brooklyn, NY).
- 2019 in That Void, You See a Beam through a Mist, commissioned by Air Contemporary Collective/Central Conservatory of Beijing (Beijing, China).
- 2018 i for flute, violin, viola, cello, piano and percussion, Kalv Academy Festival 2018/ Norrbotten NEO (Gothenburg, Sweden).
- 2018 Featured sound installation artist, Sensorium/City of San Diego (San Diego, CA).
- 2018 Featured composer, CEMEC/CCRMAR/Stanford University (Stanford, CA).
- 2017 Selected presenter, the 43rd International Computer Music Conference ICMA(International Computer Music Association) (Shanghai, China).
- 2017 Winner of 2017 Marion Tournon-Branly Prize/Ecoles d'Art Américaines de Fontainebleau (Paris, France).
- 2017 Featured composer, Connecticut Summerfest Contemporary Music Festival/Meraki Chamber Players/Berkman Recital Hall, University of Hartford (West Hartford, CT).
- 2016 Finalist of the International Composition Competition "Maurice Ravel" 2016 (Bergamo, Italy).
- 2016 *Composition for Kandinsky composition vii*, commissioned by the Meraki Chamber Players and Kandinsky Foundation (New York, NY).
- 2015 Winner of the "Donne in Musica" International Competition (Fiuggi, Italy & Kragujevac, Serbia).
- 2015 Pastoral, commissioned by New Brunswick Chamber Orchestra (New Brunswick, NJ).

SELECTED PRESS

Featured interview: https://voyagela.com/interview/inspiring-conversations-with-angi-liu-of-angi-liu-music-education/

VoyageLA Magazine Aug. 19, 2024

Record review, a window on absurd, evanescent scenes: https://boomkat.com/products/a-window-on-absurd-evanescent-scenes

Boomkat. Dec. 8 2023

Featured interview: https://boldjourney.com/meet-angi-liu/

Stephanie Hernandez, Bold Journey Magazine May. 09, 2023

Record review, Light Beams Through Dusts, Through a Mist of Moistures (2019)

https://newyorkmusicdaily.wordpress.com/2023/02/20/kylemotl/

Delarue, New York Music Daily Feb. 20, 2023

Featured interview: https://canvasrebel.com/meet-anqi-liu/ Emily Lopez, Canvas Rebel Magazine Aug. 08, 2022

Record review, Light Beams Through Dusts, Through a Mist of Moistures (2019)

The Wire May. 2022 (Issue 459)

Record review, Light Beams Through Dusts, Through a Mist of Moistures (2019)

http://republicofjazz.blogspot.com/2022/02/kyle-motl-hydra-nightingale-march-18.html

Republic of Jazz a la dirección Feb. 1, 2022

Concert review, How light arrives ... (2020)

https://www.sandiegouniontribune.com/entertainment/classical-music/story/2020-01-31/review-ucsd-rand-steiger

Christian Hertzog, San Diego Union-Tribune Jan. 31, 2020

Record review, A Discovery- Angi Liu Remix (2020)

https://www.listencorp.co.uk/post/9-amazing-things-to-buy-this-bandcamp-friday

Listencorp Oct. 2, 2020

Record review, A Discovery- Angi Liu Remix (2020)

The Wire Mar. 2021 (Issue 445)

Concert review, Kandinsky's Composition VII (2016)

https://www.soundwordsight.com/2016/05/composers-voice-concert-series-may-19-2016-at-brooklyns-firehouse-space/

David Mecionis, Sound Word Sight May. 30, 2016

Featured interview: https://shoutoutsocal.com/meet-angi-liu-composer/

Mary Young, Shoutout SoCal Apr. 27, 2021

Featured interview: http://sdvoyager.com/interview/meet-anqi-liu-la-jolla/ Stephanie Hernandez, Voyage Group of Magazines Oct. 26, 2020.

Featured interview: https://www.jocolibrary.org/we-recommend/local-music/angi-liu

Bryan Voell, Johnson County Library Feb. 14, 2017

SELECTED WORKS AND PERFORMANCES

2024 duo live improvisatory set w/ Thadeus Frazier-Reed on top of Liu's composition for the first Fluxharmonium

Automata Theater, Los Angeles

2024 solo live improvisatory set P.I.T., New York City

2024 duo live improvisatory set w/ Kyle Motl Downtown Music Gallery, New York City

2023 I don't know I know; I don't know I don't know a fluid installation for digital synthesizer and cello Reiefestival, Brugge, Belgium

2023 How to capture a cat

an audiovisual live performance with analog synthesizers Festival de Música Nueva at the Universidad Autónoma de Baja California, Ensenada, Mexico

2023 I don't know I know; I don't know I don't know for cello solo and live signal processing Miry Concertzaal, Gent, Belgium

2022 while snow.... - 17'40

for 11 musicians

Bludenzer Tage zeitgemäßer Musik, Bludenz, Austria.

2022 a window on absurd scenes...- 17'28"

for audiovisual multimedia and live performance

Experimental Theater, University of California San Diego, CA, US.

2022 While Snow Berries....- 11'11"

for flutes, clarinets, trombone, violin and piano McGill University, Montreal, Canada

2021 Etude for Friends - 17'43"

for alto flute, violin, cello and trumpet

Experimental Theater, University of California San Diego, CA, US.

2021 Nocturne - 3'

for piano solo

Second Sunday, New York, US

2021 Light Beams Through Dusts, Through a Mist of Moistures - 17'

for double bass solo

International Society of Bassists Convention/University of Nebraska — Lincoln School of Music, Lincoln, NE, US.

2021 for cello solo - 40'

foe cello solo

Conrad Prebys Music Center, University of California San Diego, CA, US.

2021 Light Beams Through Dusts, Through a Mist of Moistures- 15' for double bass solo
Oh My Ears Festival New Music USA, Phoenix, AZ, US

2021 Etude for friends - 13'

for violin, alto flute, trumpet and cello Experimental Theater, University of California San Diego, CA, US.

2021 Etude for chaine - 9'30"

for viola, alto flute, guitar and percussion DePaul University, Chicago, US.

2021 Untitled cello solo, 8'

Darmstädter Ferienkurse, Darmstadt, Germany.

2020 Etude for echoes - 8'30"

for violin, bass clarinet, trombone and percussion Experimental Theater, University of California San Diego, CA, US.

2020 How Light Arrives... - 11'51"

for 15 instruments

Conrad Prebys Music Center, University of California San Diego, CA, US.

2020 a train coming underneath the seabed; they sing - 75'22"

for modular synthesizers and free improvisation

Live streamed

2020 for vocal trio - 5'

for soprano, mezzosoprano, and baritone

Théâtre de Gennevilliers, Paris, France.

2020 for bass flute solo and spatialization - 15'

for bass flute solo and spatialization

Experimental Theater, University of California San Diego, CA, US.

2019 Light Beams through Dusts, through a Mist of Moistures - 13'01"

for contrabass solo

Spectrum, New York, US.

2019 Impossible Balance - 8'11"

for string quartet and electroacoustic

Qualcomm Institute Auditorium in Atkinson Hall, University of California, San Diego, US.

2019 in That Void, You See a Beam through a Mist - 11'11"

for Chinese guqin, shakuhachi, sheng and two percussions

Concert Hall, Central Conservatory, Beijing, China.

2019 All Partials - 15'01"

for fixed media and spatialization

Bushwick Open Studios at MISE-EN_PLACE Bushwick, New York City.

2019 Light Beams through Dusts, through a Mist of Moistures

for solo contrabass Center of New Music, University of Iowa, Iowa, US.

2018 I Hear Light Beams, You? - 30' loop

for installation

Contemporary Art in Redefined Spaces, Lafayette Hotel, San Diego, U.S.

2018 Wave Coming... - 12'13"

for flute, trumpet, baritone, partially prepared piano and percussion Conrad Prebys Music Center, University of California San Diego, CA, US.

2018 i - 8'11"

for flute, violin, viola, cello, piano and percussion Academy in Kalv Festival, Gothenburg, Sweden.

2018 Reliquary - 15' loop

for installation

Downtown San Diego, US

2018 Water Flow - 16'

for field recording, spatialization and solo percussionist Experimental Theater, University of California San Diego, CA, US.

2017 Kings - 17'

site specific (Palace of Fontainebleau) installation Palace of Fontainebleau, Paris, France.

2017 Spallation - 8'13"

for piano quintet

Palace of Fontainebleau, Paris, France.

2017 Composition for Kandinsky composition vii - 11'11"

for flute, clarinet, cello, percussions

Berkman Recital Hall, University of Hartford, Connecticut, US.

2017 Pastoral for string quartet and electroacoustic

43rd ICMC (International Computer Music Conference), He Luting Concert Hall, Shanghai Conservatory, Shanghai, China.

2017 Ocean Pearl Teardrops - 11'35"

for field recording and spatialization

White Hall, Kansas City, US.

2017 Composition for Kandinsky composition vii - 11'11"

for flute, clarinet, cello, percussions

Firehouse Space, New York City, US.

2017 Metamorphosis - 7'17"

for fixed media and contemporary dancers

University of Missouri Kansas City Theater, Kansas City, US.

2017 Ocean Pearl Teardrops - 11'35"

for field recording and spatialization MAO Live-house, Beijing, China.

2027 Multimedia Solo Performance DDC Duck Dawn Club, Beijing, China.

2016 Pastoral - 13'21" for string quartet and electroacoustic White Hall, Kansas City, US.

2016 Composition for Kandinsky composition vii for flute, clarinet, cello, percussions and electronics Shapeshifter Lab, New York City, US.

2016 Landscape - 17'43" for full orchestra Nicholas Music Centerer, New Jersey, US.

2016 Variations for Chamber Orchestra - 9'17" for 16 instruments Le Poisson Rouge, New York City, US.

2016 Whale Song & Ocean Dream - 75' for electroacoustic soundscape and live improvisation INNER FIELD, New York City, US.

2015 O - 13'11" for Flute Quartet Zimmerli Art Museum, New York City, US.

2015 Attimo - 7'51" for flute, clarinet, violin, viola, cello and piano Le Poisson Rouge, New York City, US.

2014 The Five Trigrams of I-Ching - 15'13" for large percussion ensemble Nicholas Music Centerer, New Jersey, US.

Lorre Dance Theater, New Jersey, US.

Nicholas Music Centerer, New Jersey, US. 2014 Falling - 7'

for prepared piano, improvisation, electroacoustic and contemporary dancers

2014 *Isolation* - 7'13 for pierrot ensemble Schare Recital Hall, New Jersey, US.

2013 Burning Snow - 7'01" for electroacoustic and contemporary dancers Lorre Dance Theater, New Jersey, US.

SKILLS

Computer Softwares: Unit, UE, FMOD, Wwise, Ableton, Logic Pro, Pro Tools, Reaper, Max/MSP, Pure Data, Premier Pro, Final Cut, Avid, Avid media Composer, Adobe Illustrator, Photoshop, Adobe After Effects, Sonar, Wavelab, Sibelius.

Gears: modular synthesizers, cables, interfaces, mixers, speakers. Instruments: piano, ocarina, guitar, organ, button accordion

LANGUAGES

Chinese (native), English (proficient), German (basic reading comprehension).