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EDUCATION

Bachelor of Music, Keyboard Performance

Colorado Mesa University, Grand Junction, CO — *Final institution. Degree awarded spring of 2022*

Bachelor of Music, Piano Performance

University of Denver, Denver, CO — *Coursework completed: 2015-2018*

PRINCIPAL PIANO TEACHERS

- Stephanie Shih-Yu Cheng - 2015-2018
- Marjorie Zollner - 2019-2020
- Gisela Flanigan - 2020-2021, 2023-2025
- Adrian Herrera-Escobar - 2021-2023

MASTERCLASSES

- Alan Broadbent
- Alexandra Nguyen

CHAMBER MUSIC COACHES

- Jason Pegis
- Basil Vandreyes
- Matthew Plenk
- Laura Husbands
- Jun Watabe
- Roberto Arundale
- Timothy Emmons
- Caitlin Moore
- Sean Flanigan

WORK EXPERIENCE

COLORADO MESA UNIVERSITY, Grand Junction, CO

August 2022 - May 2025

Adjunct Faculty, Resident Accompanist

- Accompanied and music-directed musicals and classes for theater department.
- Accompanied classes, lessons, and several student recitals a semester for the music department.
- Taught private piano lessons and worked as a vocal coach out of office on campus.
- Collaborated with music and theater faculty on performances and policy.

GRAND JUNCTION HIGH SCHOOL, Grand Junction, CO

August 2018 - May 2025

Choir Accompanist

- Accompanied for classes, concerts and recitals for Grand Junction High school.
- Created improvised accompaniments in collaboration with teachers and students, in styles including jazz, baroque, classical, and contemporary commercial.
- Played piano for musicals for the first three years there, and wrote the underscoring to the drama department's production of *Treasure Island* by Ken Ludwig.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, Grand Junction, CO

August 2023 - June 2025

Pianist, Organist

- Principally accompanied for the choir on organ and piano in weekly rehearsal, service, and concerts under the baton of David Sherman.
- Served as substitute organist and pianist for hymn playing during service
- Played keyboards and planned worship with the commercial band for special services

PERFORMANCE HIGHLIGHTS

2025

- Accompanied Jeremy Franklin's Farewell concert after his 18 year career as the head of the CMU musical theater department
- *Little Noon Music* performed a solo recital of masterworks, originals, and improvisation
- Music director for the Colorado Mesa University Theater Department's production of *Ride the Cyclone* in the Asteria Theater
- Recital with international artist Naama Liary at the Pitkin County Library, as a part of their concert series.
- *Impromptu* composer concert. Played original works and works by composer Julie McCarthy
- Clarinet recital with John Petefish at Canvas 35.
- Karli Weatherill senior flute recital in Love Recital Hall.
- Bonnie Duffy senior voice recital under the coaching of Caitlin Moore.
- Accompanied several placing students at the Colorado & Wyoming NATS at University of Denver.
- Accompanied John Petefish's senior clarinet recital in Love Recital hall under the coaching of Jun Watabe.
- Played piano, organ, and harpsichord for the Easter concert with First Presbyterian.
- Played jazz piano with Doug Ferony and the Clark Gault jazz band at the Mizel Foundation fundraiser in Denver Colorado. Attendees included Colorado Governors Jared Polis and Bill Rittner, as well as hundres of business and political dignitaries from Colorado.

2024

- Music director for Geek Parties' production of *Cannibal the Musical* at the Avalon Theater in Grand Junction Colorado
- Soprano Rainy Stokely-Graves Junior Recital in Love Recital Hall at CMU
- Accompanied Kurt Kowar cello recital under the coaching of Roberto Arundale at the Basalt Regional Library
- Accompanied Nicholas Berry's Senior Cello Recital in Love Recital Hall at CMU
- Accompanied Emily Larsen's Senior Cello Recital in Love Recital Hall at CMU
- Music director for & Company's production of *Chicago*
- Performed the role of Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart in the CMU theater department's production of *Amadeus* for the grand opening of the Asteria Theater in Grand Junction, CO under the direction of Mo LaMee. Wrote, improvised, or learned all music performed onstage
- Performed and original piece on the CMU Music Faculty Gala in the Asteria Theater
- Played Piano for the CMU Theater Department's production of *Urinetown*.
- Transcribed and arranged Scottish and Irish folk songs for Dr. Chris McKim and Dr. Caitlin Moore's faculty recital *Celtic Impressions*. Assisted with rehearsals.
- Accompanied Scott Betts' recital for *Little Noon Music* at First United Methodist Church
- *Kid Caravan* headlines at Mesa Theater in Grand Junction.

2023

- Played piano for the CMU Theater Department's production of *Floyd Collins* under the direction of Mo LaMee and music direction of Jeremy Franklin. Also served as technical consultant on audio effects.
- Wrote the underscoring for Grand Junction High School's production of Ken Ludwig's *Treasure Island* with Brad Hirsh
- Played piano for the world premier of Scott Betts' musical *Eclipse* at the Avalon Theater in Grand Junction CO.
- Played piano for High Desert Opera's production of *Always Patsy Cline* at the Avalon Theater in Grand Junction CO.
- Accompanied Indiana Jones' senior cello recital in Love Recital hall under the coaching of Jason Pegis.
- Accompanied several placing students at the Colorado & Wyoming NATS at University of Northern Colorado.
- Accompanied the Valley Symphony Association's Choir for their *Young Composers, Be Inspired!* concert.
- Accompanied Valley Symphony Associations concert *Pop Stars and Superheroes*.
- Accompanied the District 51 Middle School Honor Choir under the direction of Brad Hirsh
- Played piano for the Knights Templar Christmas Observance
- Personal band *Kid Caravan* selected to open for *Baby Jake* and *Bryce Vine* at the CMU Spring Concert.
- *Kid Caravan* headlines at Mesa Theater in Grand Junction.

2022

- Rehearsal accompanist for CMU's production of *Guys and Dolls*.
- Accompanied *Christmas by Candlelight* concert for the Valley Symphony Orchestra Chorus
- Accompanied the Grand Junction High School Solo Voice Recital.
- Performed a solo recital of masterworks, arrangements, and originals for my Senior Recital in Love Recital Hall at CMU.
- Performed with Matt Harris at the CMU Jazz concert in Robinson theater
- Performed and original arrangement of *Veni, Emmanuel* for the First United Methodist Christmas concert.
- Played piano for Grand Junction High School's production of *High School Musical*. Used Ableton Live for sample automation, sound design, and some composition.
- Only music student selected to represent the music department in CMU president John Marshall's presentation to the Colorado State Senate Capital Development Committee. Performed a short work with a vocalist from the Theater Department.
- Started band *Late Night Five* with fellow students, winning a university battle of the bands a few days later

2021

- Accompanied Shayna Lindblom's Senior Clarinet Recital in Love Recital Hall at Colorado Mesa University under the coaching of Jun Watabe.

2020

- Played piano for Grand Junction High School's production of *Little Shop of Horrors*.

2019

- Pianist for Grand Junction High School's production of *Into the Woods*.

2018

- Jazz Piano for Clark Gault Dectet at Grand Junction VA Hospital for Veteren's day
- Played piano for Liederabend II for my diction class at DU under the guidance of Matthew Plenk and Hukum Singh Khalsa
- Pianist for D'Evelyn High School's production of *Big Fish* in Denver, CO.

2017

- Played piano for Liederabend I for my diction class at DU under the guidance of Matthew Plenk and Hukum Singh Khalsa

2016

OTHER PRIVATE STUDY

- Voice: Marcia Kuhlman
- Voice: Kelly Anderson
- Organ: Joseph Galema
- Organ: Dr. John Howard
- Bass: Timothy Emmons
- Improvisation and Composition: Jon Cowherd
- Improvisation and Composition: Darin Kamstra
- Composition, Ear Training: Brian Krinke

CHORAL HIGHLIGHTS

- 2017: Sang tenor in Berlioz's *The Damnation of Faust* with the Colorado Symphony Orchestra chorus at the Aspen Music Festival.
- 2016: Sang tenor in Orff's *Carmina Burana* with the Colorado Symphony Orchestra Chorus at the Aspen Music Festival and for Bravo Vail.