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EDUCATION

Doctor of Musical Arts in Piano Performance Graduated: May 2017
Cleveland Institute of Music, Cleveland, OH

- Graduate Certificate in Piano Pedagogy
- D.M.A. Document: “György Ligeti’s *Études pour piano, premier livre*: A Valuable Tool for Teaching Technique in the Pianist, and a Wonderful, Unique Addition to One’s Repertoire”
- GPA: 3.88/4.00

Master of Music in Piano Performance Graduated: May 2012
Manhattan School of Music, New York, NY

- GPA: 3.96/4.00 (Dean’s List)

Bachelor of Music in Piano Performance, *cum laude* Graduated: Feb. 2010
Seoul National University, Seoul, Korea

- GPA: 3.65/4.30

Major Teachers: Eteri Andjaparidze, Antonio Pompa-Baldi, Phillip Kawin, and Hyoung-Joon Chang

CERTIFICATES, RELEVANT COURSEWORK, AND RELATED EDUCATION

University of Michigan (online) Dec. 2021
Leading for Equity, Diversity and Inclusion in Higher Education

Bard College Conservatory of Music, Annandale-on-Hudson, NY Sep. 2019 – May 2021
Continuo Playing for Keyboardists, Collaborative Piano Seminar,
and German Translation for Singers

The Learning House, Inc. Aug. 2016
Certificate in Course Delivery Best Practices— online instruction training

- Faculty Orientation to Moodle for Non-Master Courses

Cleveland Institute of Music, Cleveland, OH

Graduate Certificate in Piano Pedagogy

Seminar in College Music Teaching, Theory Pedagogy,

Doctor of Musical Arts Seminar, and Distance Learning apprentice training

May 2016

Aug. 2012 – May 2015

MUSIC FESTIVALS AND WORKSHOPS

RPPF-Mini (Rebecca Penneys Piano Festival), St. Petersburg, FL Jan. 2018

- Lecture Performance and Mock Masterclasses

Rebecca Penneys Piano Festival, Tampa, FL

July – Aug. 2015 and 2017

Texas State International Piano Festival, San Marcos, TX

May – June 2014 – 2017

Richard Goode Master Class, Carnegie Hall, New York, NY

Mar. 2015

Music Fest in Perugia, Perugia, Umbria, Italy

Aug. 2013

International Piano Festival: Summer in Chopin's Homeland, Nałęczów, Poland

July – Aug. 2013

PianoTexas International Academy & Festival (Performer), Fort Worth, TX

May – June 2013

Pianosummer at New Paltz, New Paltz, NY

July – Aug. 2011 – 2012

EMPLOYMENT

Midwestern State University, Wichita Falls, TX

Sep. 2021 – Present

Lamar D. Fain College of Fine Arts

Collaborative Pianist | Piano Accompanist

- Serve as the first and only full-time collaborative pianist at the College of Fine Arts
- Work with all of the instrumental students in the teacher certification and performance tracks, for rehearsals, recital classes, juries, and degree recitals
- Play for all the three choirs of the university: Midwestern Singers (auditioned choir), University Choir, and The Oratorio Chorus (the community choir)
- Rehearse and perform in the musical theatre production and opera workshop
- Play for a theatre class (Singing for the Actor)
- Collaborate with faculty in departmental and faculty recitals
- Use the technology of Yamaha Disklavier and Silent Piano to provide piano tracks for students

Kaufman Music Center, New York, NY

Sep. 2018 – Present

Lucy Moses School | Special Music School

Piano Faculty

- Work at a performing arts complex, which includes New York's largest community arts school
- Teach private piano lessons (classical and musical theatre) to students at ages 5-60, including students preparing for conservatory auditions and students with special needs
- Coach adult piano chamber groups
- Coach advanced students' piano ensemble groups at Special Music School
- Teach online lessons since the relocation

Bard College Conservatory of Music, Annandale-on-Hudson, NY Sep. 2019 – May 2021

Head Collaborative Piano Fellow/ Secondary Piano Instructor

- Worked with students in unique and renowned programs, including a five-year dual-degree program
- Coordinated pianist requests from students and assignments of piano fellows, abiding by safety protocols implemented to prevent COVID-19
- Collaborated for studio lessons, master classes, rehearsals, auditions, concerto competitions, and performances of the instrumental students and the graduate vocal students
- Collaborated extensively with the Graduate Vocal Arts Program, including Core Seminars, Diction & Phonetics, Performance Workshop, Opera Workshop, and Opera Production
- Taught secondary piano lessons to undergraduate instrumentalists
- Performed orchestral reductions in orchestral repertoire classes for woodwinds and brass players
- Performed harpsichord and organ in the Bard Baroque Ensemble
- Recorded piano tracks for students who study remotely

New York University, New York, NY Sep. 2017 – May 2018

Steinhardt School of Culture, Education, and Human Development

Adjunct Instructor, Piano Studies (contract)

- Worked with a highly diverse body of students and engaged in different teaching methods- beginners to advanced during private lessons for non-piano major students in music and non-music majors, encompassing classical, new age, pop, and musical theater
- Implemented required keyboard skills curriculum for undergraduate music majors
- Created and arranged my students' recitals

Notre Dame College, South Euclid, OH

Adjunct Faculty in Music History

Aug. 2016 – July 2017

- *Music Now and Then*- online music appreciation class for non-music majors (including RN-BSN) at various ages and occupations- interacted with students on the online forum on specific topics each week, graded music reports and concert reports, and imported students' scores from listening quizzes to the grade book

Adjunct Faculty in Piano

Aug. 2015 – May 2017

- Taught private piano lessons for non-music major undergraduates at a small liberal arts college setting
- Adjudicated required jury recitals of the performing arts department, including every instrument and voice

Collaborative Pianist in Residence

Jan. 2015 – May 2017

- Collaborated with the college choir, directed sectionals, and helped students at the various musical background, including those who were not familiar with music reading
- Played at the choir concerts- accompanying the choir and playing short solo and chamber
- Collaborated with other faculty members (vocal and instrumental) in faculty recitals

RESIDENCY

- Bermuda Piano Festival**, Hamilton, Bermuda July 2019 – Present
Pianist
- Perform piano solo and piano duo repertoire at themed concerts: All Russian Music, Works by Ludwig van Beethoven, Music for Two Pianos
 - Give piano lessons to young students at the Bermuda School of Music
- Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp**, Twin Lake, MI July 2019 – Present
Piano Faculty
- Teach piano lessons to students (grades 7-9), piano majors and minors
 - Perform faculty solo recital (Blodgett Recital Series), Middle Sunday concerts, and faculty showcases
 - Give a masterclass and direct/ contribute to seminars for piano students: my recital program, how to play in an ensemble
 - Teach music theory classes, adjudicate music theory placement exams
 - Coach piano ensembles and adjudicate playing auditions and sight-reading tests
 - Guide piano major students to learn a new piece and perform it by memory at the final recital
 - Help piano minor students play at the final concert
 - Abide by strict camp policy: camp uniform, cell phone free campus
- Lake George Music Festival**, Lake George, NY Aug. 2015 – Present
Pianist
- Chamber ensemble- piano and strings, piano and winds
 - Contemporary music ensemble- including a world premiere and NY premieres
 - Piano solo and four hands- Piano Mania! concerts in North Creek
- Bard Summerscape**, Annandale-on-Hudson, NY June – Aug. 2021
Choral Accompanist/ Rehearsal Pianist
- Played for the chorus rehearsals of the opera production, Le roi Arthus by Chausson
 - Worked as a rehearsal pianist for the Bard Music Festival
- Stokes Forest Music Camp**, Sandyston, NJ July 2019
Montclair State University, The John J. Cali School of Music Extension Division
Accompanist/ Piano Faculty
- Accompanied all rehearsals and performances of the camp musical and the Stokes Sings choir
 - Played for faculty, counselors, and students as needed for rehearsals and performances
 - Gave piano lessons and coach piano duets and piano trio (music students age 10-17)
- RPPF-Mini, Rebecca Penneys Piano Festival**, Tampa, FL Jan. 2019
Alumni Presenter
- Gave an informal talk and discussion about the job search process with the workshop participants at ages 21-31

Minnesota International Piano Camp, Minneapolis, MN July 2018
Guest Faculty for Pre-college Program

- Gave a masterclass, coached piano trio and piano duet, and translated masterclasses into the Korean language
- Performed a Guest faculty solo recital and played in a piano ensemble at the opening concert

Texas State International Piano Festival, San Marcos, TX June 2018
Rising Faculty Stars

- Gave a masterclass to 4 students in the young-artist division
- Presented as one of the two first rising faculty stars, selected as a distinguished alumnus of the piano festival

Atlantic Music Festival, Waterville, ME June – July 2016
Contemporary Ensemble Fellow

- Premiered and recorded 15 student composers' (Pierrot ensemble) chamber works- diverse styles and settings including graphic score and taking part in percussion
- Performed the chamber work of the composition program director

Summer Sonata, Cleveland, OH June 2015 – June 2016
Teaching Assistant

- Oversaw and coached the piano camp students' (ages 12-18) practice sessions
- Helped the students keep track of their lesson and class schedule
- Checked in the students in the morning/ checked out the students in the afternoon

OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE, ADMINISTRATION, AND SERVICE

Northeast Ohio Music Teachers Association Aug. 2015 – July 2017
Vice President of Membership and Communications

- Updated the website- event calendar, event pages, and members list up to date
- Organized the memberships- keeping track of new, renewing, and discontinuing members in both teacher and student categories, using Microsoft Excel
- Managed the email account- responding to inquiries in place of the president
- Took part in board meetings- discussing possible guest artists list, reasonable budget and venue for each event, and plans for the Northeast Ohio district festivals and competitions
- Jury- gave comments to students (at various ages) who played for the fall and spring festivals

Global Shapers Community, World Economic Forum Feb. 2019
Translator for WeWrite Project

- Translated books for children into the Korean language

Living the Classical Life: Filmed Interview Series June 2015
Translator

- Translated the artists' interview series into the Korean language, including the interviews with Daniil Trifonov and Yuja Wang

PRIZES AND AWARDS

Scottish International Piano Competition, Glasgow, UK <i>The W.A Cargill Foundation Prize</i>	Sep. 2017
San Antonio International Piano Competition, San Antonio, TX <i>Semifinalist Special Recognition Award</i>	June 2016
Cleveland Institute of Music, Cleveland, OH <i>The Sadie Zellen Piano Prize</i>	May 2016
The United States Virtuoso International Piano Competition, Cleveland, OH <i>First Prize</i>	Oct. 2015
Texas State International Piano Competition, San Marcos, TX <i>Best Performance of the Commissioned Work, Audience Award, and Second Prize</i>	June 2015
New York International Music Concours, New York, NY <i>Grand Prize and the United States House of Representative Award</i>	May 2015
Cleveland Institute of Music Women's Committee, Cleveland, OH <i>Travel Financial Assistance Award</i>	Oct. 2014
Cincinnati World Piano Competition, Cincinnati, OH <i>Best American Contemporary Performance Prize and Semifinalist</i>	June 2014
Texas State International Piano Festival, San Marcos, TX <i>First Prize, Emerging Artist Award</i>	June 2014
Texas State International Piano Festival Concerto Competition, San Marcos, TX <i>Winner</i>	June 2014
Bradshaw & Buono International Piano Competition, New York, NY <i>First Prize</i>	May 2012
China Shanghai International Piano Competition, Shanghai, China <i>Semifinalist</i>	Oct. 2009
International Piano Competition "Delia Steinberg," Madrid, Spain <i>Second Prize</i>	Apr. 2008
JoongAng Music Concours, Seoul, Korea <i>Second Prize</i>	Mar. 2008
Suri Music Concours, Gunpo, Korea <i>Grand Prize</i>	May 2007

RECORDINGS

DVD: Michael Colina Piano Concerto with The Florida Orchestra (title TBD)	COVID Postponed
Digital Solo Album: The Complete Études for Piano by Alexander Scriabin, Orpheus Classical (TBD)	TBD 2022
Digital Album: in a (once-)blossomed place, People Places Records (Recorded a fixed media score of Erich Barganier, with NYU New Music Ensemble)	July 2019
Solo Album: "Minimum Maximum Modern Piano Music by American Composers," Albany Records (TROY 1617)	Mar. 2016
DVD: JoongAng Music Concours Final Round, Seoul, Korea	Mar. 2008

PUBLICITY/ REVIEWS

Interview: <i>Around the Piano</i> , posted on Facebook, San Juan, Puerto Rico	Oct. 2020
Middays with Bethany Cagle, Classical WSMR 89.1 and 103.9, Tampa, FL	July 2015 and 2017
CD Review: <i>American Record Guide</i>	Mar. 2016
CD Review: <i>Fanfare</i>	Mar. 2016
Richard Goode Master Class, posted on YouTube, NY	Mar. 2015
Concert Review: <i>New York Concert Review</i> , NY	Nov. 2015
WTSP 10 News, FL	July 2015
Cincinnati.com, OH	June 2014
JoongAng Daily Newspaper, Seoul, Korea	Mar. 2008
JoongAng Music Concours Final Round, Broadcasted on Arte TV, Seoul, Korea	Mar. 2008

SOLO – SELECTED PERFORMANCES, LECTURES, AND MASTERCLASSES

<i>Cosmicomics</i> Project, TBD	TBD 2023 – 2024
Lecture Recital: John Corigliano’s <i>Fantasia on an Ostinato: Minimalism, Fantasy, and the Revival of Beethoven</i> , College Music Society South Central Regional Conference, East Central University, Ada, OK	Mar. 2022
Solo Recital: Alexander Scriabin’s <i>Études for Piano: Transformation from Chopinesque to Mysticism</i> , College Music Society South Central Regional Conference, East Central University, Ada, OK	Mar. 2022
Alexander Scriabin's 150th: Complete <i>Études for Piano</i> , Akin Auditorium, Midwestern State University, Wichita Falls, TX	Feb. 2022
Bermuda Piano Festival: Music by Ludwig van Beethoven, YouTube	Aug. 2021
Lecture Recital: John Corigliano’s <i>Fantasia on an Ostinato: Minimalism, Fantasy, and the Revival of Beethoven</i> , College Music Society Northeast Regional Conference, online	Mar. 2021
Solo Recital: Alexander Scriabin’s <i>Études for Piano: Transformation from Chopinesque to Mysticism</i> , College Music Society Northeast Regional Conference, online	Mar. 2021
Noon Concerts, Bard College Conservatory of Music, Annandale-on-Hudson, NY	Mar. – Nov. 2020
A Classical Quarantine: joint online recital seiries, YouTube	June – July 2020
Solo Recital: Complete <i>Études for piano</i> by Alexander Scriabin, Bard College Conservatory of Music, Annandale-on-Hudson, NY	Mar. 2020

Messiaen Vingt Regards sur l'Enfant Jésus (with 19 Bard pianists), Bard College Conservatory of Music, Annandale-on-Hudson, NY	Dec. 2019
Faculty Solo Recital in the Blodgett Recital Series at the Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp, Blodgett Recital Hall, Blue Lake, MI	July 2019
Concert at the Bermuda Piano Festival, Hamilton Princess Hotel & Beach Club, Hamilton, Bermuda	July 2019
Masterclass at Ji An Piano Studio, Fremont, CA	June 2019
Project 142 Solo Recital, DiMenna Center, New York, NY	Apr. 2019
Concerts in Greater Tampa Bay, FL Concert at Westminster Chores, St. Petersburg Ambassador Concert Series (Largo, St. Petersburg, Tampa)	July 2015 – Dec. 2018
Piano Mania! at the Lake George Music Festival, Tannery Pond Community Center, North Creek, NY	Aug. 2015 – Aug. 2018
Masterclass and Guest Faculty Solo Recital at the Minnesota International Piano Camp, University of Minnesota- Twin Cities, Minneapolis, MN	July 2018
Masterclass at the Texas State International Piano Festival, Performing Arts Center, Texas State University, San Marcos, TX	June 2018
Concerts at New York University, New York, NY	Dec. 2017 – Apr. 2018
Lake George Music Festival Private Salon Concert, Saratoga Springs, NY	Apr. 2018
Masterclass and Lecture, University of South Florida, Tampa, FL Lecture: <i>Transition from a Student to a Teacher</i>	Feb. 2018
Lecture Performance and Mock Masterclasses at RPPF Mini, St. Petersburg College, St. Petersburg, FL	Jan. 2018
Faculty Solo Recitals at Notre Dame College, The Great Room, South Euclid, OH	Sep. 2015 – Jan. 2017
Artist Resident Masterclass at the Atlantic Music Festival, Given Auditorium, Colby College, Waterville, ME	July 2016
Recitals at the Cleveland Institute of Music, Cleveland, OH Pianofest, Mixon Hall Doctor of Musical Arts Recitals, Kulas Hall and Mixon Hall	Feb. 2013 – June 2016

Solo Recital, Weill Recital Hall at Carnegie Hall, New York, NY Nov. 2015

Guest Artist Series Solo Recital, Performing Arts Center,
Texas State University, San Marcos, TX Feb. 2015

CONCERTO PERFORMANCES

Colina Concerto Project with The Florida Orchestra,
University of South Florida, Tampa, FL COVID Postponed
Colina Piano Concerto (world premiere)

Texas State International Piano Competition Final Round with the Round Rock Symphony, June 2015
Patti Strickel Harrison Theatre, Texas State University, San Marcos, TX
Prokofiev Concerto No. 3 in C major, Op. 26

Concert with the Round Rock Symphony, Patti Strickel Harrison Theatre, June 2014
Texas State University, San Marcos, TX
Rachmaninoff Concerto No. 3 in D minor, Op. 30

Young Virtuoso Concert with The Ashdod Symphony Orchestra, Basilica San Pietro, Aug. 2013
Perugia, Umbria, Italy
Beethoven Concerto No. 1 in C major, Op. 15

Chamber Orchestra Concert with Festival Chamber Orchestra of Lublin Philharmonic, Aug. 2013
Culture Center, Naęczów, Poland
Mozart Concerto No. 9 in E flat major, K. 271

Winners Concert with Gunpo Prime Philharmonic Orchestra, Cultural Art Center, Aug. 2007
Gunpo, Korea
Prokofiev Concerto No. 3 in C major, Op. 26

CHAMBER, COLLABORATIVE, ORCHESTRAL PIANO, AND MUSICAL THEATRE

- Concerts at Midwestern State University, Wichita Falls, TX Oct. 2021 – Present
 From Russia with Love: Music for Cello and Piano, Akin Auditorium
 Choir Concerts, Akin Auditorium
 Degree Recitals and Wednesday Recitals with Midwestern students
 Department of Music Faculty Recital, Akin Auditorium
- Concerts at the Lake George Music Festival, Lake George, NY Aug. 2015 – Present
 Last trumpet over Florence, Carriage House at Fort William Henry
 Strings old and new, borrowed and blue, Carriage House at Fort William Henry
 Star Gazing, Sacred Heart Church
 Hidden Treasures, Silver Bay YMCA, Silver Bay
 Bernstein at 100, Sacred Heart Church
 LGMF “Uncorked”, Lake George Club, Diamond Point
 Chamber Music Concert, SUNY Adirondack Theater, Queensbury
 Sounds of Our Time, Shepard Park Amphitheater
 Chamber Music Concerts, Sacred Heart Church
 Piano Mania!, Tannery Pond Community Center, North Creek
- Bermuda Piano Festival: Music for Two Pianos, YouTube Aug. 2021
- Concerts at Bard College Conservatory of Music, Annandale-on-Hudson, NY Sep. 2019 – May 2021
 Degree Recitals with Bard students
 Noon Concerts
 First Songs: A Celebration of Contemporary Vocal Repertoire
 “Oh the Horror of Song!”
 “A Lucky Child”
 "Simply Sinful"
 Cosmopolitan Club Webinar Concert: “An Invitation to Sing”
 "Thank you, do you have anything in German?"
 Songs for a Winter Evening
 Chinese Music in the Chapel, Chapel of the Holy Innocents
 Poetry in Song: Johann Wolfgang von Goethe and Emily Dickinson
 Opera Workshop in France
 An Afternoon of Mélodie
 Opening of the St. Petersburg University Representative Office at Bard College:
 Concert of Russian and American Song, Blithewood Manor
- Continuing Evolution 2: Yiddish Folksong in Classical Music, YouTube Apr. 2021
- Home Music Series (virtual multimedia concert series), YouTube Nov. 2020

Songs from the Heart, Beattie Powers House, Catskill, NY	Oct. 2020
Lucy Moses School Faculty in Concert, Merkin Hall, New York, NY	Feb. 2020
The Sparks & Wiry Cries NYC songSLAM, DiMenna Center, New York, NY	Jan. 2020
Clara Schumann Festival, Troy Savings Bank Music Hall, Troy, NY	Jan. 2020
Thompson House – Bard Music Connects, Northern Dutchess Hospital, Rhinebeck, NY	Nov. 2019
La Chanson bien douce: Songs on the poetry of Paul Verlaine, Beattie Powers House, Catskill, NY	Oct. 2019
Musical Performance (Little Shop of Horrors) at Stokes Forest Music Camp, Sandyston, NJ	July 2019
Concert at the Bermuda Piano Festival, Hamilton Princess Hotel & Beach Club, Hamilton, Bermuda	July 2019
The Artist Series at TBMS, Turtle Bay Music School, New York, NY	Nov. 2018
Steinway Program presented by Astral Artists, Granite Farms Estates, Media, PA	Oct. 2018
Opening Concert at the Minnesota International Piano Camp, University of Minnesota- Twin Cities, Minneapolis, MN	July 2018
Concerts at New York University, New York, NY NYU New Music Ensemble concerts, Loewe Theatre NYU Contemporary Music Ensemble, Loewe Theatre NYU Orchestra Halloween Program (orchestral piano), Loewe Theatre Collaborative Recitals at Black Box Theatre	Oct. 2017 – May 2018
Concerts at Notre Dame College, South Euclid, OH Faculty Chamber and Collaborative Recitals Choir Concerts, Christ The King Chapel and Regina Auditorium	Apr. 2015 – Apr. 2017
Atlantic Music Festival Contemporary Ensemble Concerts, Lorimer Chapel, Colby College, Waterville, ME	July 2016
Concerts in Greater Cleveland, OH	Apr. 2013 – June 2016

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Texas Music Teachers Association	Nov. 2021 – Present
Wichita Falls Music Teachers Association	Nov. 2021 – Present
Steinway Educational Partner	Feb. 2020 – Present
The College Music Society	Jan. 2015 – Present

LANGUAGE PROFICIENCIES

English (fluent), Korean (fluent), German (basic), Written Chinese (basic)