

CAROLINE HIXSON, M.M.

PIANIST

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SHORT BIO

Caroline Hixson holds a Master of Music in Piano Pedagogy and Performance Studies, University of Idaho (2008), and a Bachelor of Music in Piano Performance, Webster University (2004). Ms. Hixson was also awarded a High School Diploma from the National Guild Of Piano Teachers (2000). Her principal teachers include Prof. Daniel Schene (Webster University), Drs. Steven Spooner and Jay Mauchley (University of Idaho), and Dr. Peter Henderson (Maryville University). She also studied in Vienna, Austria with Prof. Gila Perach Hirsh (2003, 2004). Ms. Hixson spent 6 years living in New Orleans, where she maintained a private studio as well as a studio at Loyola's Preparatory Program. In addition to teaching private lessons at Loyola she taught group piano classes and accompanied college and preparatory ballet classes. Ms. Hixson maintained an active accompanying schedule in New Orleans, and was a regular adjudicator of competitions and festivals in the Southeast Louisiana area. During that time she served as a member of various boards as well as chair of the Rally competition. In addition to her private studio she is an adjunct faculty member at Webster University, where she teaches applied piano and serves as a collaborative pianist. She is a member of Pi Kappa Lambda, MTNA, SLAMTA, and NFMCA.

EDUCATION

Lionel Hampton School of Music, University of Idaho	2006-2008
• Master of Music in Piano Performance	
Webster University	2000-2004
• Bachelor of Music in Piano Performance (Departmental Honors)	

EXPERIENCE

Webster University	2004-2005, 2014-Present
• Adjunct Piano Faculty	
• Collaborative Pianist	
Hixson Piano, LLC	1997-Present
• Beginning and advanced students	
• Average of 35 students	
• Preparing students for performances and competitions	
• Organizing multiple studio recitals per year	
DaySpring School of the Arts	2014-Present
• Private Piano Instructor	
Freelance Accompanist	2008-Present

Loyola University New Orleans	2008-2014
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Private and Group Instructor for Piano Preparatory Program • Accompanist for University Ballet (2008-2011) • Accompanist for Ballet Prep Program (2008-2011) 	
Delgado Community College	2010-2014
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accompanist for vocal studio masterclasses, juries, and recitals (Studio of Danielle Nice) 	
St. Paul's United Church of Christ (New Orleans, LA)	2011-2014
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pianist 	
Lionel Hampton School of Music	2006-2008
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Taught multiple sections of Class Piano • Accompanying duties • Taught Applied piano students • Assistant to Dr Steven Spooner • Assistant to Dr. Jay Mauchley 	
St. Mark's Episcopal Church (Moscow, ID)	2007-2008
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Organist/Pianist 	

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

The Munny (Operator)	Summer 2002-2014
Opera Theatre St. Louis (Wardrobe)	Summer 2003-2007
Union Avenue Opera (Wardrobe)	Summer 2003
Webster University Piano Camp	Summer 2003
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coached practicing • Taught theory class 	
Nerinx Hall High School	2004-2005
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff accompanist (choir, instrumental, vocal) • Accompanist and coach for competitions 	
Le Petit Theatre New Orleans	2010
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rehearsal Pianist for 'Soul Doctor: The Shlomo Musical' 	
Nerinx Hall High School	2015
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accompanist for <i>Ruthless: The Musical</i> 	
Shining Star Productions	2015
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accompanist for <i>Mary Poppins</i> 	

46th annual Crusade Against Crime Medal of Valor

2015

- Pianist

Clayton High School Choir Department

2016

- Pianist for Solo and Ensemble Competition