



JENNY MELTON

Piano Teacher

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EDUCATION

Bachelor of Arts in Music
Moody Bible Institute
2006-2010
Dr. Un-Young Whang

CONTINUING EDUCATION

Valley City State University
Piano Pedagogy
2011
Dr. Beth Klingenstein

EXPERTISE

Beginner to Early Advanced
Classical Piano Pedagogy

Adaptive Teaching

Worship Leading

Composition

Improvisation

TECHNOLOGY SKILLS

MuseScore 3

GarageBand

Tenuto

Skype

iOS and Mac OS

Web Design

PROFILE

I am an experienced, classically-trained piano teacher with 8 years of teaching experience. As a pianist of 23 years with a music degree, I impart my knowledge of music theory and expressive playing to pianists of every age and skill level. My goal is to cultivate lifelong learners of music.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Founder and Director

Jennifer Melton Piano Studio | Chicago, IL and Online | 2020-present

- Educate students to become independent musicians
- Create and present lesson plans and e-mail weekly lesson notes
- Develop curriculum including repertoire, music theory, music history, sight-playing, and composition
- Coach students to play with proper posture and technique to prevent injuries
- Perform administrative tasks such as preparing studio documents, bookkeeping, advertising, scheduling, and maintaining music inventory

Choir, Piano, and General Music Teacher

Urban Christian Academy | Chicago, IL | 2014-2018

- Taught choir, early childhood music, general music, and recorder ensemble to classrooms in summer program for 7 weeks each year
- Developed original curriculum for each subject, such as music history lap books, arrangements of music, and learning sequence activities
- Taught beginner through late intermediate piano lessons to 20 students
- Organized concerts and piano recitals

Piano Teacher

Pui Tak Center | Chicago, IL | 2014-2016

- Taught beginner through early advanced piano lessons to over 30 children ranging from ages 2-17
- Incorporated students' favorite songs to motivate students to practice
- Encouraged students to work towards personal piano goals, such as performing at a school fair or public recital
- Diagnosed areas of deficiencies for transfer students and provided assistance to fill in knowledge gaps

PUBLICATIONS

Hyfrydol
(Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus)

Piano Arrangement
2021

Eagle's Wings

Piano Solo
2020

Jesus Loves Me

Piano Arrangement
2019

Broken For You
(In Remembrance of Me)

Piano Solo
2019

AWARDS

Piano Merit Scholarship
Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp
2005

Violon Merit Scholarship
Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp
2004

Excellent Medal - Piano
State Solo & Ensemble Festival
MSBOA
2004

Superior Medal - Piano
District Solo & Ensemble
Festival
MSBOA
2004

Piano Teacher

Community Music School | Chicago, IL | 2012-2014

- ☛ Taught beginner piano lessons for children and adults

Piano Teacher

Lessons at Home, Inc. | Chicago, IL | 2012

- ☛ Taught private beginner piano lessons to 20 students

Founder and Director

Near North Piano Studio | Chicago, IL | 2010-2013

- ☛ Taught private beginner piano lessons for 6 students
- ☛ Prepared a duet with a student and presented the piece during a Sunday church service

Keyboarding Teaching Assistant

Moody Bible Institute | Chicago, IL | 2008

- ☛ Taught Keyboard Harmony I to 20 college music students using verbal and interpersonal skills
- ☛ Corrected homework, facilitated assessments, and submitted grades to the Music Theory professor

SERVICE TO COMMUNITY

Worship Band Leader - Piano and Voice

New Life Community Church - Bridgeport | Chicago, IL | 2014-present

Worship Band Pianist

Forest Park Baptist Church | Forest Park, IL | 2008-2013

PERFORMING EXPERIENCE

Spring Recital

Urban Christian Academy | Chicago, IL | 2018

- ☛ *Mom's Broom* (from *Kiki's Delivery Service*) by Joe Hisaishi, arranged by Yushi Matsuyama

End of Semester Recitals

Pui Tak Center | Chicago, IL | 2014-2016

- ☛ Intermezzo in A Major, op. 118, no. 2 by Johannes Brahms
- ☛ *Arietta* (from *Lyric Pieces*, op. 12) by Edvard Grieg
- ☛ *Clair de Lune* (from *Suite Bergamasque*) by Claude Debussy

Senior Recital

Moody Bible Institute | Chicago, IL | February 2010

- ☛ Prelude in F Major (WTK, Book II, no. 11), BWV 880 by J.S. Bach
- ☛ *Dance of Spring* by Yi-Qiang Sun
- ☛ Étude in E Major, op. 10, no. 3, (*Tristesse*) by Frédéric Chopin
- ☛ Sonata in F Major, no. 38, Hob. XVI/23, III. Presto by Joseph Haydn