

Sherry Heffleger Lenich

Objective

Seeking opportunities for effective teaching models, arts administration leadership, collaborative musical performance, & creation of new music.

Professional Accomplishments

Piano teaching

- Nationally Certified Teacher of Music of Music Teachers National Association, permanent certification.
- Own and operate large piano studio full time for over 35 years.
- Successfully prepare & mentor students for evaluations, competitions, auditions, and college music majors.
- Co-creator P.A.C.E. workshops, Pathways to Arts & Career Exploration for arts students.

Collaborative piano

- Frequent accompanist for area studio voice and instrumental music recitals, competitions, and evaluations.
- Choral accompanist at Desert Mountain High School, Scottsdale, 2015 – present.
- Pianist in DuoWest, cello and piano duo, performing over 70 concerts throughout Arizona.
- Arizona Arts Chorale accompanist for concerts throughout the greater Phoenix area, 1997-2002.

Creation of new works

- Commissioned and premiered Artifacts, by Craig Bohmler & Marion Adler, a song cycle for mezzo-soprano, cello, and piano with cellist Ian Ginsburg.
- Commissioned Sonoran Desert Suite for cello & piano with cellist Ian Ginsburg, by Dr. Anne Kilstofte.

Arts administration & leadership

- Arizona Study Program State Committee of the ASMTA, secretary, 2015 – present.
- Administrator and co-founder of DuoWest cello & piano duo, a 501c3 performing arts organization.
- Wrote and was awarded over a dozen local, state, and national grants for DuoWest.
- Past President Arizona State Music Teachers Association (ASMTA) 2001-2003.
- Presenter at ASMTA state conference 2009, 2011, 2014.
- Presenter at AZ Art Tank of the Arizona Commission on the Arts with Dr. Judith Durocher, 2014.

Employment History

2015 – present	Choral Accompanist	Desert Mountain HS, Scottsdale, AZ
1983 – present	Lenich Piano Studio Owner & teacher	Shillington, PA & Scottsdale, AZ
2004 – present	Pianist and Co-founder, DuoWest	Scottsdale, AZ
2000-2004	Instrumental & general music teacher	Shepherd of the Desert, Scottsdale, AZ
1997-2007	Choral accompanist & worship pianist	Shepherd of the Desert, Scottsdale, AZ
1997-2002	Arizona Arts Chorale accompanist	Phoenix, AZ
1981-1983	Instrumental Music Teacher Gr 4-8	Solanco School District, Quarryville, PA

Education

1981	BM Music Ed	Ithaca College, Ithaca, NY
1985	MM Piano Pedagogy	Temple University, Philadelphia, PA
1985-1994	Advanced piano studies	Marian Filar, Philadelphia, PA
