

Helen Hardy

Piano /Keyboard Harmony Theory



Helen Hardy holds ARCT Diplomas in Piano Performance and Composition from The Royal Conservatory of Music. She also holds a Licentiate Diploma in Piano Pedagogy from the University of Toronto and completed the Licentiate Theory Requirements of the Trinity College of Music London, England. Ms. Hardy taught piano, theory and composition at The Royal Conservatory of Music for 20 years and served as Administrator of the Mississauga Division for 3 years prior to moving to Orlando, Florida. While in Orlando, she was Assistant Professor of Piano at the University of Central Florida where she taught applied piano, class piano and the courses in undergraduate piano pedagogy and History and Literature of Keyboard Music. She was also the Director of the UCF Community School of Music. While there, she set up the graduate piano pedagogy course. She has attended and submitted students to masterclasses with Karl Ulrich Schnabel, Leon Fleisher, Eugene List, Guido Agosti, Dr. James Gary Wolf and Seymour Bernstein. Her performing experience includes new music concerts, noon hour concerts at The Royal Conservatory of Music, television and radio broadcasts, and appearances with the Lakehead Symphony, the Florida State Annual Convention in 1992, UCF Women's Musical Club, the College Music Society, Southern Chapter 20th Anniversary Conference in 1999 and numerous benefit concerts with the Winter Park Musicale in Florida from 1992-2001. She has adjudicated extensively in music festivals throughout Canada and the state of Florida for the Florida State Music Teachers' Association, the National Guild of Piano teachers and the Florida Federation of Junior Music Clubs. Since returning to Toronto in 2001, adjudications include The Toronto Music Competition in 2002 and 2003, the Ottawa Music Festival in 2003 and the Ontario Registered Music Teachers' Association Festival. She is currently a member of the Canadian Federation of Music Teachers' Associations, ORMTA and the Alliance for Canadian New Music Projects.