

Arne Sahlén Piano



Degrees and Studies:

Arne Sahlén holds an ARCT Diploma in Piano Performance (Gold medalist) and a Piano Teacher's ARCT diploma from The Royal Conservatory of Music. He is a graduate of the University of Victoria (Distinction in Performance), and Victoria Conservatory of Music (Pedagogy), and attended the Banff School of Fine Arts for a year on scholarship. Mr. Sahlén studied with Dr. Robin Wood, F.R.A.M. and many other renowned pianists.

Biographical Information:

Mr. Sahlén is a pianist, teacher and clinician, and has adjudicated piano and composition since 1982. He performs and teaches internationally, and has appeared in character as composer Johannes Brahms.

A teacher with many award-winning students, he gives lectures, master classes and concerts for music teachers' associations. He was Co-Director of Victoria Piano Summer School for 26 years, and developed a major Jazz and Ragtime festival plus other events. He promotes Canadian music in Canada and abroad, and for twelve years was Canada Music Week Co-ordinator for the BC Registered Music Teachers' Association.

Mr. Sahlén is author of the book *The Student's Corner*, and has *Triumphant Technique* and *Compose YOURSELF!* near completion. He writes regularly for music magazines, and composes in classical, ragtime and other styles.

Committed to humanitarian and cultural aid through the BC-based Cambodia Support Group, Mr. Sahlén has served since 1992 as a Visiting Professor at Cambodia's Royal University of Fine Arts. He has mounted major development-aid and cultural-diplomacy projects internationally; in Canada he supports youth at risk and people in trauma. He has received the Governor General's *Caring Canadian Award* for decades of arts and human service.

