

Joy Tappenden

Piano

Voice



Joy Tappenden holds ARCT diplomas in Piano, Performer, and Voice, Performer and Teacher, from the Royal Conservatory of Music, as well as a Bachelor of Arts in Music and French and a Bachelor of Education from the University of Toronto. Her teachers include George McElroy, Antonin Kubalek, and Dorothy Allan Park. Ms. Tappenden also holds an Ontario Teaching Certificate for both elementary and secondary schools.

Ms. Tappenden is bilingual and lives and works in both English and French. Among her francophone activities has been the music programme at the Mississauga Campus of the Toronto French School, a school associated with the Ministry of Education in France. She has often conducted and accompanied choirs in Roy Thomson Hall at the annual concerts of the Confederation of Independent Schools' Music Festival. For twenty-one years, she was on the staff and organizing committee of the Presbyterian Music Camp. There, she conducted and accompanied choirs of all ages and levels of performance, taught recorder, coached chamber groups and served as dean. She was the mezzo-soprano in the internationally award-winning Canadian film "The Last Supper". She has many years' experience playing with singers and instrumentalists. Her work as an examiner and adjudicator takes her across Canada. At present, Ms. Tappenden runs a busy music studio, is Music Director at a church in Mississauga, and accompanies singers at York University.