

## Sheila Vail

### Piano

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#### **Degrees and Studies:**

Sheila Vail earned both her undergraduate and graduate degrees at the world-renowned Peabody Conservatory of Music in Baltimore, Maryland, where she studied with Lillian Freundlich and Leon Fleisher.

#### **Biographical Information:**

A native of Minneapolis, Minnesota, Mrs. Vail spent her early years in Europe, and then returned to the United States with her family, teaching in the Montgomery County Maryland area for thirteen years. She then moved to Cincinnati, Ohio, where she was on faculty at the

University of Cincinnati College Conservatory of Music Preparatory Department from 1991-1995, before resigning to concentrate on her quickly growing private studio.

In addition to teaching full time, Mrs. Vail is a frequent clinician and guest speaker at college and university pedagogy departments, teacher organizations and professional conferences on the topics of creating, establishing, and maintaining the professional private teaching studio as well as creative curriculum development for piano students. Mrs. Vail is a clinician for The Frederick Harris Music Co., Limited and the National Music Certificate Program, traveling throughout the United States speaking to teachers' associations, schools and colleges.

Active in the Ohio Music Teachers' Association, Mrs. Vail currently serves on the Executive Board as the State Student Certificate Program Chair for the NMCP Certificate of Excellence program.

