
Student Achievements

- Students have been selected for: Phoenix Youth Symphony Orchestras and Symphonic Winds; All-State Orchestra and Band; Regional Orchestras and Bands; District Honor Bands; the American High School Honors Performance Series at Carnegie Hall; and the prestigious National Disney Youth Orchestra.
- Students have also won and placed in the Young Musicians Competition, AFS Competition, MCCCCD Outstanding Soloists and Chamber Ensemble Competitions, improved their skills and had fun in the process!
- Students have received music scholarships for college and music camps.



CHRISTINA STEFFEN

Flutist, Teacher, Music Director

Student comments

"She's awesome!" M.A.

"...amazing flute teacher." G.S.

"...a wonderful flute teacher!... You have taught me so much!" A.C.

"Thanks so much for being our Master Class teacher...It was a lot of fun!" Z.I.

"What makes Christina Steffen a great teacher is her ability to convey musical concepts in a way that we as musicians can relate to. She has a true passion for music and dedication that is sincere and it reflects in her teaching." K.O.

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"She is a composer/arranger's dream come true. Her technique is flawless, as are the sounds she creates with her instruments. Of even greater value is her ability to interpret any style of music with authority and authenticity. Christina truly transmutes the written notes into their intended sounds - and beyond." - Bob Freedman, Grammy Award winning arranger/composer



Performance

Christina performs with the flute, cello, piano trio, Paradisa! (www.paradisa.net); the flute and harp duo, Bella Dolce (www.belladolceduo.com); and has performed with the distinguished Steinway piano artist, Mark Neiworth. She also plays for the National Broadway tours at Gammage in Tempe (*Wicked*, *Mary Poppins*, *Billy Elliott*) as well as for commercial recordings including PBS Horizon, The United Way, Del Webb, HBO & other CD projects.

Musical background

Christina has enjoyed working privately with flute students for over twenty years.

She welcomes students of all ages and levels and particularly likes to help younger players get off to a great start in their playing and enjoyment of music. She also excels at coaching advanced students to play at their optimum ability.

Christina presents clinics and master classes for all levels and has taught at several music camps (NAU Curry Summer Music Camp, AFS Flute Camp, SCC Music Camp, and Music in the Bradshaws). She is known for her captivating presentation of "Flutes Around the World."

Christina has appeared as a soloist and with chamber ensembles for many concerts and music festivals throughout Arizona, the U.S. and festivals in England and Switzerland.

She received her bachelor's and master's degrees in flute performance from the University of Arizona School of Music and is the founder and Music Director of the Desert Echoes Flute Project (www.defproject.org).

Ms. Steffen is a National Director for the Theatre Musicians Association, Vice-President/Program Chair for the Arizona Flute Society and a member of the Board of Directors for Professional Musicians of Arizona.

Christina maintains a private studio near 52nd Street and Cactus and is the flute instructor at Mesa Community College, Scottsdale Community College and Paradise Valley Community College (high school students may enroll for lessons at PVCC for college credit).