

MARCEL BERGMANN – BIOGRAPHY

For the last 20 years, Marcel has enjoyed an active musical career as a performer, composer, improviser and teacher. A laureate of several international competitions (as one half of the acclaimed Bergmann Piano Duo) Marcel performs as a duo pianist, soloist and chamber musician nationally and internationally. He has recorded for the CBC, for several stations of the ARD in Germany, National Public Radio in the USA, as well as the Koch, Arktos, Brilliant Classics and Naxos labels.

Marcel has written numerous works for two pianos, film, theater and cabaret productions, as well as choral and chamber music. He has been commissioned by various organizations including the CBC, The Murray Dranoff International Two Piano Foundation, the Land's End Chamber Ensemble, the Spiritus Chamber Choir, and the San Francisco International Music Festival.

For 10 years, Marcel was a core musician of the Calgary based group Land's End Chamber Ensemble, recipient of both the 2005 and 2006 Western Canadian Music Award for Outstanding Classical Recording. Marcel is also internationally active as a clinician, juror, and lecturer and has been involved as a collaborative pianist and vocal coach. In 2004/2005, Marcel and his wife were Artistic Directors of The Murray Dranoff International Two Piano Competition and Foundation in Miami. He has been on faculty at Mount Royal University, the University of Calgary, and served as Artistic Director of the Langley Community Music School. He has also been involved in various musical activities at The Banff Centre for the Arts. From 2009 -2013, he was Professor of Music at Mohawk College in Hamilton, Ont. and is currently Associate Artistic Director of White Rock Concerts as well as Director of Program Advancement at the Langley Community Music School where he also teaches piano, composition and chamber music. Marcel is an associate composer of the Canadian Music Centre.