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WORK EXPERIENCE

University of Toronto

- Faculty Member at the Faculty of Music (2008-present)

National Music Camp of Canada

- Faculty Member (Summer 2004-present)

PrairieLands Jazz Camp

- Faculty Member (Summer 2006)

Humber College Community Music School

- Faculty Member (2005-2006)

SPECIAL PERFORMANCES

Myriad3 Canadian Jazz Festival Tour (2017)

Myriad3 European Tour (2017)

Myriad3 Tokyo Jazz Festival (2016)

Myriad3 European Tour (2016)

Allied Concert Tour, USA (2016)

CIMA's Mission to Japan – Canadian Embassy (2015)

Myriad3 European Tour (2015)

Myriad3 Ronnie Scott's International Jazz Piano Trio Festival, London UK (2015)

Myriad3 JazzAhead! Bremen, Germany (2015)

Northern BC Tour (2015)

Shanghai International Arts Festival - with Ron Korb (2014)

Myriad3 USA Tour (2014)

Myriad3 Canadian Jazz Festival Tour (2014)

Myriad3 European Tour (2013)

Prairie Debut Tour (2013)

Debut Atlantic Tour (2011)

Stratford Summer Music Festival (2011)

Music by the Sea (2010-2013)

Elora Festival (2010)

Montreal Chamber Music Festival (2010)

National Jazz Awards (2009)

JunoFest (2009)

Montreux Jazz Piano Competition (2009)

Nottingham National Jazz Piano Competition (2008, 2010)

The Great American Jazz Piano Competition, Jacksonville Jazz Festival (2007)

MUSIC EDUCATION

University of Toronto (2005 - 2007)

- Graduated with Masters in Jazz Performance (2007)
- Studied privately with David Braid

University of Toronto (2001-2005)

- Graduated with Bachelor in Jazz Performance with Honours (2005)
- Studied with Paul Read, Gary Williamson, Brian Dickinson, Kirk MacDonald and Terry Promane
- Studied minimalism and rhythmic theory with Russell Hartenburger
- Studied harmony, counterpoint and composition with Alexander Rapoport

Royal Conservatory of Music (1990 - 1998)

- Played in many Kiwanis Festivals and other local recitals and competitions
- Completed Grade 3 Harmony with first class honours (1996)
- Completed Grade 9 Piano with first class honours (1998)
- Studied with James Anagnoson, Lynda Metelsky and Earl Mlotek

Humber College Community Music School (1986 - 2001)

- Began music studies at age two and a half, in the early childhood programs of Orff and Kodaly
- Started piano lessons at the age of four
- Studied composition, arranging, theory and applied lessons; played in combos and big bands
- Studied with Cathy Mitro, Anthony Panacci, Nancy Walker, Jim Lewis, Pat Wheeler

AWARDS, SCHOLARSHIPS and GRANTS

Steinway Artist (2015-present)

Canadian Music Centre

- Associate Composer (2013 – Present)

Juno Nominations

- *Solo* - Traditional Jazz Album of the Year (2009)
- *The Where* - Jazz Album of the Year, Group (2015)

2009 National Jazz Awards Nominations

- Best Keyboardist of the Year
- Best Recording of the Year (*Solo*)

Canada Council for the Arts

- Touring Grants (2011-2017)
- Audience and Market Development Travel Grant (2015)
- Project Grants to Professional Musicians (2010)
- Project Grants to Professional Musicians (2008)

Ontario Arts Council

- Touring Grant (2013, 2016-17)
- Popular Music Recording Grant (2012)

Toronto Arts Council

- Music Creation and Audio Recording (2014)

Nottingham National Jazz Piano Competition

- Finalist (2008, 2010, 2012)

The Great American Jazz Piano Competition

- 2nd Place (2007)

IAJE Canada

- The Dr. Oscar Peterson/Verve Canada Scholarship Winner (2006-07)

University of Toronto

- The Tecumseh Sherman Rogers Graduating Award (2007)
- Nicolas Fodor Fellowship (2006)
- OGS (Ontario Graduate Scholarship) (2006)
- Jean Chalmers Scholarship (2002), (2004)
- Don Wright Scholarship (2004)
- Pandid Jasraj Endowment Award (2004)
- Duke Ellington Society Jazz Scholarship (2002)

DISCOGRAPHY

- Gruber "*Metamorphosis II*" (2017)
- Gruber "*Pico-8 Tunes Vol. 1*" (2017)
- Gruber "*Stranger Things Soundtrack Vol. 1, Chiptune Edition*" (2017)
- Gruber "*Wonder Boy III, MilkyTracker Edition*" (2016)
- Gruber "*The Last Bot*" (2016)
- Gruber "*Sonic the Hedgehog, Pico-8 Edition*" (2016)
- Gruber "*Double Dragon, Pico-8 Edition*" (2016)
- Myriad3 "*Moons*" (Alma Records, 2016)
- Gruber "*The Legend of Zelda: A Link to the Past, Pico-8 Edition*" (2015)
- Chris Donnelly // Myriad3 "*Tell Chip*" (Alma Records 2015)
- Myriad3 "*The Where*" (Alma Records 2014)
- Wolak-Donnelly Duo "*Common Ground*" (Alma Records 2013)
- Myriad3 "*Tell*" (Alma Records 2012)
- Chris Donnelly "*Metamorphosis*" (Alma Records 2011)
- Chris Donnelly "*Solo*" (Alma Records 2008)