

Biography

A Pianist and educator, Amy Mitani started her piano studies in Sendai, Japan. She acquired her Bachelor of Arts in Music from the University of Science and Arts of Oklahoma, studied piano performance and pedagogy under Dr. Ann Gipson, and was a winner of OMTA Collegiate Piano Competition. While pursuing her Master's in Music at Portland State University, she studied piano performance with Dr. Carol Rich, received intensive pedagogy trainings from Professor Mary Kogen, and taught college courses for music majors.

As a performer:

Ms. Mitani has performed in orchestras for musical productions and has been performing two-piano ensembles since 2006. She also studied Latin-Jazz and Salsa piano from a Grammy Award winning pianist, Christian Tumalan and performed as a salsa pianist in the San Francisco Bay-Area. Upon relocating to Dallas in 2012, she joined a local Latin band and they have been featured in radio programs and performing for numerous events. She also has been performing solo piano for events and has been an accompanist for PISD solo competitions since 2014.

As an educator:

Ms. Mitani has been giving music instructions for over 20 years and continuing to grow as a music educator. She has taught theory and piano lessons in Oregon and California, and received a "*Most Dedicated Teacher Award*" from Joyful Melodies Music School in Cupertino, California. She also served as certified adjudicator for Music Teachers Association of California. In 2012, she relocated to Dallas and joined a piano faculty at Gray School of Music. She opened up her studio in Plano, Texas and received a "*2016 Steinway Top Teacher Award*" from Steinway and Sons New York.

Ms. Mitani is a Steinway educational partner, a member of MTNA, TMTA, PMTA, and a teacher of ABRSM and Royal Conservatory of Music exams. She is originally from Sendai, Japan and currently resides in Plano with her husband, Jason. She maintains her studio with high-quality instruments for lessons; a Steinway grand, a Kawai grand, a Casio digital, and a Yamaha electric pianos.

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