

Kumiko Imamura

Studied and performed piano, fortepiano, and harpsichord; graduated from Sezoku College of Music (BM), Manhattan School of Music (MM and PSC), and further did postgraduate study at the Rutgers University Mason Gross Arts School.

Her Carnegie Weill Recital Hall debut as a prize winner of Artist International Auditions was reviewed as 'skillful instrumentalist and shrewd programmer' by the New York Concert Review.

She performed with Kanagawa Philharmonic Orchestra, Little Orchestra Society, Colonial Symphony, Staten Island Symphony, New Brunswick Chamber Orchestra, Bronx Arts Ensemble, New York Symphonic Ensemble, etc., and appeared at the Alice Tully Hall at the Lincoln Center, Noonday Concert at the Trinity Church at the Wall Street, British Columbia University, Merkin Concert Hall and so forth.

She was on the faculty at Rutgers University as part time lecturer, Dutchess County Community College, Allegheny College Summer program, Burgos International Music Festival, International Academy of Music in Italy, Hartt Suzuki Institute, Suzuki Dolomites in Italy, and currently serves as the piano department head at Suzuki Music School of Westport and Orange.

She received the Distinguished Teachers Award 8 times from New Jersey Music Educators Association and 6 times from Connecticut State Music Teachers Association Fairfield Chapter. Her students won top prizes at Chopin International Competition at Hartford, National League of Performing Arts International Young Artists Competition, Westchester Musicians Guild Young Artists Competition, Connecticut Bach Competition, Renee Fischer Competition, J.Y. Park Competition, CSMTA MTNA Competition, Deborah Kahn Competition, Audrey Thayer Competition, Enkor International Competition, and she has been invited to adjudicate competitions and auditions by Hartford Music Teachers Alliance, New York State Music Teachers Association Fourth District, New Jersey Music Teachers Association, and The Schubert Club of Fairfield County.

Her teachers include Futaba Inoue, Naoyuki Inoue, Karl Ulrich Schunabel, Bela Szilaghi (piano), Kenneth Cooper, Edward Parmentier, and Jacque Ogg(harpsichord).