



# Hannah Comia

Pianist



## Personal Summary

I am a 1st-generation Filipino - American pianist based in Northern NJ. I have over 10 years experience working professionally, primarily in classical music. In addition to performing, I am an active scholar and dedicated teacher.

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## SKILLS

### Languages

Fluent in English; Studied French

Working knowledge of Italian, German, Finnish, Tagalog

### Genres

Training in classical/jazz genres  
Experience in church/liturgical music; theatre/broadway rep; pop/rock music

### Other

Strong sight reading and improvisational skills  
Harpsichord and organ experience  
Songwriting/arranging experience

## Professional Experience

<b>Staff Pianist/Coach</b>	Metropolia UAS, Helsinki	2021 - 2022
	Sibelius Academy	2021 - 2022
	Syracuse University	2019 - 2021
	St. Mary's Church, Pompton Lakes, NJ	2013 - Present
<b>Faculty/Director</b>	William Paterson University (voice/piano faculty)	2022 - 2023
	JCC MetroWest Triple Threat Theatre Camp (voice faculty)	2019, 2021
	Bellevue UMC Syracuse, NY (interim music director)	Spring 2021
	Syracuse University (professor of Keyboard Skills/Beginner Piano)	2019 - 2022
	School of Rock (instructor/performance director)	2017 - 2019
	<b>Festivals/Fellowships</b>	Classic Lyric Arts Berkshires: Fellowship Pianist
Arabia Kaikuu Festivaali (Helsinki)		2022
American-Scandinavian Foundation Creative Arts Fellow		2021 - 2022
Lake Placid Institute Chamber Music Seminar (full scholarship pianist)		2018

## Awards/Competitions

- SU Soloists Competition 2021- Best Solo Vocal (accompanying)
- SU Graduate Dean's Award 2021  
Excellence in Research and Creative Work
- Hira Poncha Prize Award (Piano) 2021
- Evalina Honsinger Prize in Piano Performance 2020
- WPU Outstanding Musician Class of 2019
- Collage Concert Music Endowed Scholarship Recipient, 2018

## Education/Training

<b>Metropolia UAS and Sibelius Academy (Helsinki)</b>	2021 - 2022
Post-graduate work/research in lieder (Finnish) and opera	
<b>Syracuse University (NY)</b>	2019 - 2021
MM in Piano Performance (Collaborative Arts) Certificate in University Teaching	
<b>William Paterson University (NJ)</b>	2015 - 2019
BM in Piano Performance; minor in Chemistry; <i>magna cum laude</i> concentration in jazz/classical voice    GPA 3.72	

## Teachers/Coaches/Conductors/Mentors

Steven Heyman	Carl Patrick Bolleia	Ida Tili-Trebicka	Glenn Morton
Juha Karvonen	Christopher Dylan Herbert	John F. Warren	Stefano Sarzani
Soo Yeon Cho	Kathleen Roland-Silverstein	Warren Helms	Daniel Isengart
Timothy Long	Sirkku Wahlroos-Kaitila	Bill Charlap	