

EDUCATION

Dobson High School

Graduated with honors, 1998-2001

• University of Arizona

Graduated magna cum laude with honors, 2001-2006

Bachelor of Science

Ecology and Evolutionary Biology

• Minor in Music

A Capella: Touring competing group Piano: Choir accompaniment, group rehearsal organization and management Cello: Studied under Gordon Epperson

PROFICIENCIES

Pre-K - Adult Instruction
Individual and Group Class
Instruction
Camp Design and Facilitation
Recital Planning and Facilitation
Special Needs Instruction
Accompaniment

FOCUS

Kindness to all levels of learners
Joy with music
Respect
Firm but gentle boundaries to
build student to teacher trust
Positive rapport with parents

PERSONAL FAVORITES

• Composers:

J.S. Bach and Claude Debussy

• Pianist:

Simon Trpčeski

SUSANNE HINRICHS

Private Piano Instructor

ABOUT ME

I am a long-time pianist, cellist, and vocalist with a genuine love of music of all styles. I have 30+ years experience working with children of all ages and bring joy to the classroom for my students. I believe music can be transformative as well as fun and I believe it is an integral part of a child's brain development and education. I am a firm believer that if you are going to start anywhere, start with the piano!

REPRESENTATIVE WORK EXPERIENCE

August 2019 - Current Private Home | Mesa, Arizona

Private Piano Instructor

May 2013 - Current The Phoenix Zoo | Phoenix, Arizona

Trails Docent, Volunteer

February 2019 - January 2023 Arizona State University | Tempe, Arizona

Executive Assistant

March 2019 - March 2021 Private Home | Tempe, Arizona

Private Piano Instructor

November 2006 - June 2011 Music Maker Workshops | Phoenix, Arizona

Private Piano Instructor

May 2006 - November 2006 Elements Music | Phoenix, Arizona

Traveling Keyboard Instructor

May 2005 - August 2005 The Phoenix Zoo | Phoenix, Arizona

Seasonal Children's Activities Coordinator