

Michael Langer has served as adjunct faculty at Bismarck State College and Dickinson State University since 2013, where he teaches Applied Piano, Class Piano, Music Appreciation, and directs the Jazz Ensemble and Jazz Combo. He also teaches Applied Piano and Piano Pedagogy at the University of Mary. He has presented piano master classes at DSU and UND.

Michael was raised in Bismarck, North Dakota. In 2007 he completed a B.S. in Music Ed. and a B.A. in Music Performance at the University of Mary in Bismarck. In 2010 he completed a M.M. in Piano Performance at Boise State University in Idaho. At BSU he was assistant director of the Marching Band and performed Prokofiev's Piano Concert No. 3 with the BSU Symphony Orchestra. After graduating he won a national audition and performed a solo recital in a monthly concert series in McCall, Idaho.

Michael has performed on percussion and piano with opera companies, dance companies, orchestras, and jazz combos in Boise and Bismarck. He has also served as music director and pianist at Lutheran and Catholic churches in both cities. Michael has performed Beethoven's Piano Concerto No. 1 with the Missouri Valley Chamber Orchestra. He has served on the board of directors for NDMTA and presented at the 2016 state conference. His students have won the BMMTA and Belle Mehus Piano Scholarship Competitions. Also a composer, Michael's compositions for choir have been premiered by the BSC Concert Choir and the vocal group *Inspirare*. He has been commissioned to write a piece for the 2018 NDTMA state conference.