

Laurel Ridd is a freelance flutist who plays regularly with the Winnipeg Symphony. She has appeared as soloist in several concerti with MusikBarock, and also performs with the Manitoba Chamber Orchestra and on the GroundSwell series. Laurel is an experienced teacher whose students range from young beginners to University of Manitoba flute majors. Many have been members of Manitoba Provincial Honour Bands, and several have performed with the National Youth Band. Laurel has given numerous clinics for middle and high school flute students, both in Winnipeg and at the International Music Camp. The 2008 recipient of the Manitoba Band Association Award of Distinction, she coordinates the annual Syrinx Flute Festival, a performance and learning opportunity for flutists of all ages and levels.