

## Welcome!

Hello, my name is **Ann Germani**. I am a harpist, a therapeutic musician, private piano and harp teacher, composer and arranger.

‘Though not my first instrument, I discovered and developed my passion for playing the harp while living in Iqaluit, Nunavut, in Canada’s Arctic; I presently live in Brandon, Manitoba, on the Prairie. Since then, I have been performing at Ceilidhs, Community Concerts and Festivals, with Orchestras, Choirs and Chamber Groups, and for private clients, across Canada.

I hold a Bachelor of Music degree from The University of Prince Edward Island, a Masters degree in Music Education from Brandon University, and Associate and Licentiate Diplomas in Piano Performance from Trinity College of Music, London England. Advanced studies in Piano include studies at Acadia University in Wolfville, Nova Scotia, and scholarship to the Banff Centre for Arts and Creativity in Banff, Alberta. My formal harp studies have been with Richard Turner, principal harpist with the Winnipeg Symphony Orchestra.

As part of my therapeutic music practise, I have been involved in “Artists in Healthcare Manitoba”, playing in hospitals - primarily for cancer care and palliative care, as well as in care homes, for over ten years.

In 2003, I was commissioned to write “Noël Nouvelet” - a Suite of Carols for youth choir and harp, which has since been performed and released on compact disc. I have since released 3 other CD’s of solo harp music, including two featuring works by Canadian composers.

As an educator, I have lectured, conducted workshops, and helped establish music education programs in libraries, pre-school centres, conservatories, colleges and independent studios across Canada.

Along with playing and teaching, I continue to have a great interest in composing and arranging music, as well as music writing and research. I presently maintain a private music teaching studio, and am excited to be exploring new projects and ideas in this “on-line” musical world!