

## **Charmaine Bacon**

Originally from Russell, Manitoba, Charmaine is a classically trained flutist and pianist, holding a Master of Music degree following studies at the University of Manitoba, University of Toronto, and The Glenn Gould School of Music. Charmaine is grateful to all of the mentors who have and continue to help her along the way including Jan Kocman, Laurel Ridd, and Martha Durkin.

Charmaine plays piccolo in the Winnipeg Wind Ensemble, directs the Wind Chamber Flute Orchestra, and plays in her own chamber series which includes her woodwind ensemble, the Canadian Bacon Quintet.

Charmaine teaches at her home studio in Silver Heights, Winnipeg MB. She coaches flute sections for local honour bands and schools, adjudicates for festivals and scholarship auditions, and provides masterclasses for schools around the province. Charmaine's students have participated in the Syrinx Flute Festival, Winnipeg Music Festival, and International Music Camp, placed in all levels of the Manitoba Honour Bands, and several have continued their music studies at the University of Manitoba and Brandon University.

In her spare time Charmaine enjoys playing pipe organ at her church and practising Aikido.