

Hwan-Gyu Cho is an active Korean-Canadian clarinetist, clinician, and teacher. Originally from South Korea, he moved to Canada by himself in 2012. Music has been a part of his life since he was ten years old, when he was first introduced to the clarinet. After moving to Canada, he joined the Thompson Community Band and performed for a church congregation on Sundays. His passion for music grew and he entered Brandon University in 2016 to study music, where he received Bachelor of Music and Master of Music degrees, majoring in Clarinet Performance under the guidance of Dr. Catherine Wood.

While studying music at Brandon University, Hwan-Gyu performed in various music ensembles, including the university orchestra, symphonic band, new music ensemble, clarinet choir, and chamber music ensemble as well as performing solos. He has participated in various festivals and masterclasses and won awards at competitions. Hwan-Gyu often performs with the Regina Symphony Orchestra as a guest member since 2022 and was also selected as the 2022-2023 Virtuosi Concerts Young Artist, where he performed chamber music and solo pieces in the Virtuosi Concert series. Hwan-Gyu is as passionate about teaching as he is about performing. He has served as a clarinet clinician for a variety of students at diverse venues, has been teaching clarinet students at the Brandon University Eckhardt-Gramatté Conservatory of Music since 2020. Hwan-Gyu is a member of the International Clarinet Association and the Canadian Federation of Musicians.