



Specialty Music



At age fourteen, I began studying harp under renowned harpist, the late Jeanne Fintz-Goldstein of Long Island. Under Mrs. Goldstein's instruction I earned a scholarship to study harp at Molloy College of Rockville Centre, and completed a Bachelor's degree in Music Performance at Molloy.

Trained in the Salzedo method, I have a deep appreciation and love for classical music. However, once I reached a level of performance to explore other possibilities of music genres, I found that arranging modern selections would become a specialty. Arranging hard rock, country, pop tunes, and classics (the Beatles for example) is exciting, and useful.

In 2001, my very first gig was a Christmas party at an antique furniture store. The start of my professional career was decorated with garland, silver and gold, and gorgeous old furniture. It may sound silly, but it amuses me to be given the gift of a beginning like that. It makes me smile.

After working with the Molloy College Community Orchestra, and various choirs, I began to realize my gravitation towards private events, and the wedding scene. For me, choosing the music with my clients is one of the best parts of the process. My absolute favorite part though, is watching the family and friends, and finally the couple, as they walk into the ceremony. Being a part of people choosing joy and love makes what I do so very rewarding.

Working on Long Island has taken me all over, from Queens, and Manhattan, and all the way out to Montauk. Events that are held inside, and a even fair few outside celebrations. There are so many venues, and so many people that I have met over the past years. I look forward to meeting more people, and playing in places I have never been.

From the age of eight, I have been making music. It is part of my day. Every day. It is my hope that my love of music is shared with others when I perform.

After working for a number of years as a musician on Long Island, Katharine went back to school and earned her Master's of Fine Arts in Music Performance from Hunter College.

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