

Clavier-Werke Fall Festival

Featuring guest judge Sami Froncek



Sami Froncek has established herself as a performing solo and collaborative pianist and a teacher in the state of Texas. Currently based in Austin, she loves mixing concerts of the standard repertory that non-musicians recognize with new and relevant works, from Bach to Rautavaara.

Ms. Froncek's recital appearances included Project Sarmila's Benefit Recital in Hasselt, "Aperitiefconcert" with cellist Margot Joubard in Leuven, at her own "Thanksgiving Day Recital" at the Muziekacademie in Mortsel, and in Antwerp at the Blauwe Zaal in Desingel. Her favorite was the benefit recital for the Nepalese earthquake relief effort for Project Sarmila. She performed recitals elsewhere in Europe, most notably Munich and Berlin.

Ms. Froncek holds Bachelor's and Master's degrees from Baylor University in piano performance. Her teachers include James Williams, Jane Abbott-Kirk, and Levente Kende. She has played in masterclasses with Richard Goode, Steven Osborne, Till Fellner, Pavlina Dokovska, Dang Thai Son, Craig Nies, and Norman Krieger. In 2010, she was elected to Pi Kappa Lambda, the national music honor society. She also attended Brevard Music Festival in 2009 and 2012, and PianoSummer in New Paltz, NY in 2010.

Even though she considers multiple places home, Ms. Froncek is from small-town Derby, Kansas where she graduated first in her class from Derby High School, which was, at the time, the largest high school in the state. It was here that she began teaching, beginning with swimming for her club team, academic mentoring, French horn lessons, and piano lessons. She later maintained a small private piano studio throughout her undergraduate and master degrees, and afterwards served as a faculty member of Dallas/Music, in the Park Cities area of Dallas, and the Sugarland School of Music, in Houston, Texas.

Dates: Saturday, 11/18
and Sunday, 11/19

Times: To be determined

****This is a great opportunity for students to perform their recital piece!****

Please talk to your teacher for more details.

At the Clavier-Werke Studios in Westlake Hills, 1000 Westbank Dr., 6a

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