

## **Karen Gerelus**

Senior Piano

Dr. Karen Gerelus is a third-generation piano teacher, musician, author, and scholar. She has completed an Associate diploma in Piano Pedagogy from the Royal Conservatory of Music (ARCT), a Licentiate diploma in Piano Performance from Trinity College of London (LTCL), a Master of Arts in Piano Pedagogy from the University of Ottawa, and recently a PhD at the University of Calgary. Her dissertation titled “The Musical Identities of Piano Students: a Phenomenological Case Study” focused on motivation, social environment, future selves, and identity. She is an examiner with the Royal Conservatory of Music and active member of the Canadian Federation of Music Teachers’ Associations. Her scholarly work has recently been published in the American Music Teacher journal, Bulletin of the Council for Research in Music Education, and at the National Conference on Keyboard Pedagogy.

Aside from private studio teaching, Karen frequently gives workshops and masterclasses, adjudicates, and is featured on podcasts. Follow her musical life on Instagram @gerelusmusic or at [www.gerelusmusic.com](http://www.gerelusmusic.com).