

Diane Berry b. 1959

Diane Berry grew up in Toronto, starting piano lessons at six and flute at 13. She graduated from the music program at York University in 1982 and moved to Halifax to teach and play chamber music. Since then she has lived in Sidney, B.C., Suva, Fiji, and Smithers, B.C. In 1995 she began composing for her trio, Two Flutes & a Violin, then branched out with works for the Victoria Piano Summer School chorus, Prelude Strings (middle school string orchestra), an award winning string quartet and music for the documentary "Sheep of Stone". Some of her piano works for students can be found in Conservatory Canada's Contemporary Repertoire Series, and the Northern Lights Series. In 2011 she received an honourable mention in the International Association for Women in Music's, New Music Competition (Sylvia Glickman Award). She now lives in Victoria B.C. with her husband and two sons.