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## EDUCATION

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**Doctor of Musical Arts in Piano Performance**, *August 2021 - Current*  
University of Nevada, Reno, Nevada, U.S.A.

**Master of Music in Piano Performance**, *August 2019 – May 2021*  
Central Michigan University, Michigan, U.S.A.

**Bachelor of Music in Piano Performance**, *October 2014 – June 2019*  
University of Prishtina, Prishtina, Kosovo.

**Primary School and High School**, *September 2003 – June 2014*  
Prenk Jakova Music School  
Focus: Piano Performance

## WORK EXPERIENCE

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**Collaborative Pianist**, *August 2021 – Current*  
University of Nevada, Reno, Nevada, U.S.A.

**Collaborative Pianist**, *August 2019 – June 2021*  
Central Michigan University, Michigan, U.S.A.

**Church Pianist**, *January 2023 – February 2023*  
Faith Lutheran Church, Nevada U.S.A

**Church Pianist**, *August 2019 – December 2019*  
United Methodist Church/Clare County, Michigan U.S.A

**Church Pianist**, *December 2019 – May 2021*  
Living Hope Lutheran Church/Clare County, Michigan U.S.A

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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**Applied Music Instructor**, *January 2025– Current*  
Cuesta College, San Luis Obispo, California, U.S.A

**Graduate Research Assistant**, *August 2021 – May 2023*  
University of Nevada, Reno, Nevada, U.S.A.

**Graduate Teaching Assistant**, *August 2023 – Present*  
University of Nevada, Reno, Nevada, U.S.A.

**Instructor of Records, *Fall 2022 - Present***  
University of Nevada, Reno, Nevada, U.S.A.

**Graduate Teaching Assistant, *Fall 2020, Spring 2020***  
Central Michigan University, Michigan, U.S.A.

**Piano Teacher, *January 2023 – present***  
Piano Studio “Lusa Rylski”, Nevada, U.S.A

**Piano Teacher, *Fall 2019, Spring 2020***  
Community Music School of Central Michigan University, Michigan, U.S.A

**Piano Teacher, *September 2015 - May 2019***  
School of Music, Art and Ballet “YLLZAT”, Prishtina, Kosovo.

**Freelance/Self-employed Piano Teacher, January 2016 – May 2019**  
Vushtrri Prishtina, Kosovo

## **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

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**Classical Piano Adjudicator** for the NMTA Silver State Competition (November 1-3<sup>rd</sup>, 2024)

**Nationally Certified Teacher of Music in Piano**, Music Teachers National Association (October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024)

**President and Organizational Director** of the “Shadows A Contemporary Art Festival in Reno” 2nd edition (January 22-26<sup>th</sup>, 2024)

**President and Organizational Director** of the “Shadows A Contemporary Art Festival in Kosovo” 1st edition (June 22-28<sup>th</sup>, 2023)

**Coordinator of Chopin Piano Festival**, April 2018  
Pristina, Kosovo

## **AWARDS/ CERTIFICATES**

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**Steinway Top Teacher Award 2024** from Steinway & Sons

**Individual Cultural Grant** from Sierra Nevada Corporation for organizing and directing the Art Contemporary Festival – Shadows 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition (January 2024, Reno)

**Recognition for Contribution to the Culture and Arts in Kosovo** from the Bureau of Youth, Culture and Sports of Vushtrri, Kosovo (June 2023)

**Individual Cultural Grant** from the Ministry of Culture, Youth and Sports of Kosovo for founding and directing the Art Contemporary Festival – Shadows 1<sup>st</sup> Edition (June 2023, Kosovo)

**Graduate Research Poster Symposium – University of Nevada, Reno (Liberal Arts)**  
Second Prize (October 2022)

**Carnegie Hall Piano Debut** (December 21<sup>st</sup>, 2021)

**“Golden Classical Music Award” New York International Competition**

- First Prize Winner (July 2021)

**Kosovo Chopin Association**

- Certificate of Gratitude for participation at Chopin PIANO FEST “Prishtina” (2017)
- Certificate of Gratitude for participation at Chopin PIANO FEST “Prishtina” (2012)

**“Ars Kosovo” Music Competition**

- First Place Award (June 2022)
- First Place Award (June 2019)
- Third Place Award – Piano (May 2013)
- Second Place Award – Piano (June 2012)

**European Summer Music Academy in Prishtina**

- Certificate of Participation – Piano Master Class (14-24 July 2013)
- Certificate of Gratitude for participation in Fourth International competition of classical music (2006)

**High School of Music “Prek Jakova”**

- Award for high achievement (June 2014)
- Award for successful completion of the final concert (June 2014)
- Certificate of Gratitude for high achievement (June 2012)
- Certificate of Participation – Piano Master Class (11-20 July 2012)

**“Young Pianist” Competition (Kosovo)**

- Third Place Award (21-23 June 2013)
- Certificate of Gratitude for participation in the 6th International Festival of Piano (21-23 June 2013)
- Third Place Award (June 2012)
- Certificate of Gratitude for participation in the International Piano Festival (22-24 June 2012)
- Third Place Award (June 2011)

## **ACADEMIC RECOGNITION**

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**University of Nevada, Reno, Nevada, USA**

- Graduate Institutional Methodology Access Grant (2024/2025)

**Loretta Beckman-Carr Piano Scholarship, Nevada, USA**

- Scholarship recipient (2024-2025)

**University of Nevada, Reno, Nevada, USA**

- Graduate Student Association Travel Award (2024)

**Shirley & G.B. Avansino Scholarship, Nevada, USA**

- Scholarship recipient (2023-2024)

**Ministry of Culture, Youth and Sports of Kosovo, Pristina, KS**

- Doctoral Scholarship recipient (2023-2024)

**University of Nevada, Reno, Nevada, USA**

- Graduate Institutional Methodology Access Grant (2023/2024)

**“2023 GSA Outstanding Graduate Student”, Nevada, USA**

- Scholarship recipient (April 2023)

**University of Nevada, Reno, Nevada, USA**

- Graduate Student Association Travel Award (April 2023)

**“2022 GSA Outstanding Graduate Student”, Nevada, USA**

- Scholarship recipient (April 2022)

**University of Nevada Reno, Nevada, USA**

- Graduate Research Assistantship (2021 – Present)

**Margaret Ryan Sampson Endowed, Nevada, USA**

- Scholarship recipient (2022-2023)

**James Tenney Memorial Music, Nevada, USA**

- Scholarship recipient (2022-2023)

**University of Nevada, Reno, Nevada, USA**

- Graduate Institutional Methodology Access Grant (2022/2023)

**Graduate Student Association Endowment, Nevada, USA**

- Scholarship recipient (2022-2023)

**Barringere Music Scholarship, Nevada, USA**

- Scholarship recipient (2021-2022)

**University of Nevada, Reno, Nevada, USA**

- Graduate Institutional Methodology Access Grant (2021/2022)

**University of Nevada, Reno, Nevada, USA**

- Graduate Student Association Travel Award (September 2021)

**Central Michigan University, Michigan, USA**

- Graduate Assistantship (2019 – 2021)

**University of Music, Fine Arts, Pristina, Kosovo**

- Scholarship recipient (2015-2019)

## **Ministry of Education, Science and Technology (MASHT)**

• Scholarship recipient (2016-2019)

## **PERFORMANCE EXPERIENCE**

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2024 Concert Choir Performance, Collaborative Pianist, UNR – Nevada, USA  
2024 Reno Tahoe International Art Show, Piano, Nevada - USA  
2024 Guest Artist for NMTA Conference, UNLV – Las Vegas, USA  
2024 Oboe Recital, Collaborative Pianist, UNR – Nevada, USA  
2024 Flute, Oboe and Basson Recital (FLOB), Collaborative Pianist, UNR – Nevada, USA  
2024 Concert Choir Performance, Collaborative Pianist, UNR – Nevada, USA  
2024 Shadows A Contemporary Art Festival 2nd Edition, UNR - Nevada, USA  
2024 Guest Artist in Residence, Lecture Recital, UNLV – Nevada, USA  
2023 UNR MTNA Recital, UNR - Nevada, USA  
2023 Piano Recording Recital, UNR – Nevada, USA  
2023 Oboe Studio Recital, Collaborative Pianist, UNR – Nevada, USA  
2023 Shadows A Contemporary Art Festival – Pristina, Kosovo  
2023 Festival I Suoni di Sillene – Tuscany, Italy  
2022 Chopin Piano Festival – Pristina, Kosovo  
2022 Piano Solo Recital, University of Nevada Reno – Nevada, USA  
2022 Nevada Chamber Opera, Pianist/Assistant Music Director – UNR– Nevada, USA  
2022 Oboe Recital, Collaborative Pianist – UNR– Nevada, USA  
2022 Voice Area Recital / Collaborative Pianist – UNR – NV, USA  
2021 Carnegie Hall Debut – New York, USA  
2021 Nevada Chamber Opera, Pianist/Vocal Coach – UNR – NV, USA  
2021 Voice Area Recital, Collaborative Pianist – UNR – NV, USA  
2021 Piano Area Recital, UNR – Nevada, USA  
2021 Piano Solo Recital, Central Michigan University, MI– USA  
2021 Student Showcase, CMU – MI, USA  
2021 Live from Staples, CMU – MI, USA  
2021 Viola Recital / Collaborative Pianist, CMU – MI, USA  
2021 CMU Sponsors Home Recital - MI, USA  
2020 Live from Staples, CMU – MI, USA  
2020 A night of solos, CMU – MI, USA  
2020 Adventures in Music, CMU – MI, USA  
2020 Juletide / Central Michigan University Symphony Orchestra Pianist, CMU – MI, USA  
2020 Oboe Recital / Collaborative Pianist, CMU - MI, USA  
2020 Clarinet Recital / Collaborative Pianist, CMU – MI, USA  
2019 Honors Recital, CMU – Michigan – USA  
2019 String Area Recital / Collaborative Pianist, CMU – MI, USA  
2019 Piano Area Recital, CMU – MI, USA  
2019 Choir Concert / Collaborative Pianist, CMU – MI, USA  
2019 Piano Solo Recital, University of Music-Fine Arts – Pristina, Kosovo  
2019 Piano Area Recital, University of Music-Fine Arts – Pristina, KS  
2019 Piano Concert, Yllezat – Pristina, KS  
2018 Piano Area Recital, University of Music-Fine Arts – Pristina, KS  
2018 Voice Area Recital / Collaborative Pianist, University of Music-Fine Arts – Pristina, KS  
2018 Piano Concert, Yllezat – Pristina, KS  
2018 Chopin Piano Festival – Pristina, KS  
2017 Piano Area Recital, University of Music-Fine Arts – Pristina, KS  
2017 Voice Area Recital / Collaborative Pianist, University of Music-Fine Arts – Pristina, KS

2016 Piano Area Recital, University of Music-Fine Arts – Pristina, KS  
 2016 Voice Area Recital / Collaborative Pianist, University of Music-Fine Arts – Pristina, KS  
 2015 Piano Solo Recital, Philharmonic of Kosova concert hall– Pristina, KS  
 2015 Piano Area Recital, University of Music-Fine Arts – Pristina, KS  
 2014 Piano Area Recital, High School of Music “Prenk Jakova” – Pristina, KS  
 2014 Clarinet Recital / Collaborative Pianist, High School of Music “Prenk Jakova”– Pristina,KS  
 2013 Piano Area Recital, High School of Music “Prenk Jakova” – Pristina, KS  
 2012 Piano Area Recital, High School of Music “Prenk Jakova” – Pristina, KS  
 2012 Voice Area Recital / Collaborative Pianist, High School of Music “Prenk Jakova” – Pristina, KS  
 2011 Piano Area Recital, High School of Music “Prenk Jakova” – Pristina, KS  
 2010 Piano Area Recital, High School of Music “Prenk Jakova” – Pristina, KS  
 2010 Voice Area Recital / Collaborative Pianist, High School of Music “Prenk Jakova” – Pristina, KS  
 2010 Clarinet Recital / Collaborative Pianist, High School of Music “Prenk Jakova”– Pristina,KS

## **PIANO MASTERCLASSES**

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2024 Gilbert Kalish (UNR)  
 2024 David Rosenboom (UNR)  
 2023 Jon Nakamatsu (UNR)  
 2022 Stephan Moller (University of Pristina)  
 2019 Pierre van Der Westhuizen (CMU)  
 2019 Christine Ruthledge (CMU)  
 2018 Derek Han (Kamerfest Kosova)  
 2018 Giovanni Belluci (Chopin Piano Fest)  
 2017 Eugen Indjic (Chopin Piano Fest)  
 2017 Aljosa Jurinic (Chopin Piano Fest,  
 2016 Janosz Ballasz (Chopin Piano Fest)  
 2015 Alfred Brendel (Antalya Piano Festival)  
 2014 Yeşim Gökalp (Kamerfest Kosova)  
 2013 Jaromir Klepac; Endre Hegedus; Lule Elezi (European Summer Music Academy in Pristina) 2012 Jaromir Klepac; Lejla Pula (European Summer Music Academy in Pristina)  
 2012 Birsen Ulucan, Özgür Ünalı (Klasik Keyifler Music Festival in Cappadocia)

## **LECTURES, PRESENTATIONS, SEMINARS and FESTIVALS**

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### **Istanbul Universitesi Devlet Konservatuari, Guest Artist, Istanbul, Turkey, December 2024**

Lecture on Piano Extended Techniques

### **University of Nevada Las Vegas (UNLV), Guest Artist at NMTA Conference, Las Vegas, August 2024**

Lecture Recital– Extended Piano Techniques

### **Tefta Tashko School of Music, Guest Artist, Vushtrri, Kosovo, June 2024**

Piano Masterclass with Students

### **Elena Gjika Elementary School, Guest Artist, Prishtina, Kosovo, June 2024**

Piano Masterclass with Students

### **University of Nevada Reno, Shadows Contemporary Art Festival, January 2024**

Panel Discussion: Business and Entrepreneurship of Arts and Music

**University of Nevada Las Vegas (UNLV), Artist in Residence, Las Vegas, March 2024**  
Piano Masterclass with Graduate Students

**University of Nevada Las Vegas (UNLV), Artist in Residence, Las Vegas, March 2024**  
Lecture Recital– John Cage’s New Sound on Piano

**University of Nevada Reno, Women’s History Month, Reno, March 2024**  
Talk on Women’s History Month for the College of Liberal Arts

**Music Teachers National Association, Collegiate Symposium, Ann Arbor, January 2024**  
*Moving Beyond the Traditional Piano: Extended Techniques and Electronic Enhancements*

**Research Poster Symposium, Reno, November 2023**  
*The Role of the Pianist as an Entrepreneur in Contemporary Art*

**Tefta Tashko School of Music, Guest Artist, Vushtrri, Kosovo, June 2023**  
Piano Masterclass with Students

**UNR, The Three Minute Thesis Competition (3MT), Reno, March 2022**  
*Extended Piano Techniques and Electronic Enhancement*

**Research Poster Symposium, Reno, October 2022**  
*Extended Piano Techniques*

**Michigan Music Conference MMC, Michigan, January 2021**  
*Moving Beyond the Traditional Piano: A Literature Review of Extended Techniques and Electronic Enhancements*

**Central Michigan University, Mount Pleasant, November 2020**  
*Moving Beyond the Traditional Piano: A Literature Review of Extended Techniques and Electronic Enhancements*

**Central Michigan University, Mount Pleasant, April 2020**  
*The Musical Leap of Beethoven’s Grosse Fuge*

**Central Michigan University, Mount Pleasant, November 2019**  
*The Analysis of Arnold Schoenberg’s First Piece from his Three Piano Pieces op.11*

**University of Prishtina, Kosovo, May 2019**  
*The Analysis of Symphony “From the New World” No.9, E-minor Op.95 1st Movement, Antonin Dvořák*

## **DISCOGRAPHY**

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### **ADE DUO**

Performers: Adea Badivuku & Deniz Çağlarcan  
On music streaming platforms

List of pieces:

*Can’t Help Falling in Love (Written by George David Weiss, Hugo Peretti, Luigi Creatore) Oblivion (Written by*

*Astor Piazzolla)*  
*Someone Like You (Written by Adele Adkins, Dan Wilson)*

## **SERVICE IN THE PROFESSION**

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AFM (American Federation of Musicians) Member (2024-Present)  
UNR MTNA (Music Teachers National Association) President, NV, USA (2023-Present)  
UNR MTNA (Music Teachers National Association) Vice President, NV, USA (2021-2023)  
NMTA (Nevada Music Teachers Association) Member, NV, USA (2021-Present)  
NNMTA (Northern Nevada Music Teachers Association) Member, NV, USA (2021-Present)  
MTNA (Music Teachers National Association) Member, USA (2021-Present)  
Music Department Representative, UNR, NV, USA (2022-ongoing)  
DRIVE Scholars Member, UNR, NV, USA (2021-2023)  
GSA Council Member, UNR, NV, USA (2022-2023)  
UNR Performing Arts Committee Member, UNR, NV USA (2022-2023)  
Student Advocacy Committee Member, UNR, NV, USA (2022-2023)

## **PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS**

**AFM** (American Federation of Musicians) Member  
**MTNA** (Music Teachers National Association) Member – UNR Chapter President  
**STEINWAY & SONS** - Educational Partner  
**ADE DUO** Ensemble Co-founder/Performer

## **LANGUAGES**

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- Albanian: native language
- English: proficient
- Turkish: proficient