

Carrie Collins

CARRIE COLLINS earned her BMA from DePauw University School of Music. She studied piano with Carmen Alverez-Breckenridge, Lorna Griffin, Claude Zimmerman, Julliane Miranda, Jeffrey Swinkin, and accompanying with Mikail Hallak. Carrie attended the Interlochen Arts Camp and the Las Vegas Music Festival.

Carrie brings many years of teaching experience to the Irish Music School of Chicago. She taught at the San Francisco Music Center, the Morton Grove Park District and in her own studio. In addition to teaching, she is accompanist and co-founder of the Chicago Womens' Chorus and was rehearsal pianist for American Conservatory Theater in San Francisco. She sat on the board of the Music Teachers' Association of San Francisco, chairing the after-school piano program in the public schools. She has taught movement and music classes for infants to preschool. Carrie enjoys working with all ages, but specializes in working with young children as early as 2.5 years old.

In 2007, Carrie took a hiatus from teaching to study body mechanics. Now owner of Stretch Chi, a bodywork studio, she specializes in balancing muscles through stretching. She brings this knowledge into her lessons, creating a muscularly balanced technique.

