

Mehrdad Gholami, D.M.A
Flutist - Educator

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Education

Texas Christian University – DMA, Doctor of Musical Arts **2015-2019**

- Flute Performance with a cognate in Music History
- 2015-2018 STARS Fellowship
 - Stipend to attract remarkable students awarded by Chancellor’s office
- Graduate Teaching Assistant

Texas Christian University, Master of Music in Flute Performance **2013-2015**

- Graduate Teaching Assistant – Flute Studio
- Flute Studies with Dr. Shauna Thompson
- Wind Symphony with Bobby Francis
- Symphony Orchestra with Dr. German Gutierrez, Miguel Harth-Bedoya
- Pi Kappa Lambda honor society member

Tehran University, Bachelor of Music in Flute Performance **2008-2012**

- Valedictorian across the college of fine arts
- Winner (First Rank) of the National University Entrance Exam in the field of Arts – 2008

Festivals

Atlantic Music Festival **2020**

- Contemporary Ensemble Fellow
- Flute Study with Leon Buyse, Bonita Boyd and Alberto Almarza

Aspen Music Festival and School **2017-2019**

- Winner of Susan and Ford Schumann scholarship for contemporary music
 - Awarded only to one flute player every three years
- Flute Studies with Nadine Asin, Demarre McGill, and Mark Sparks
- Teaching fellow for P.A.L.S program
- Concerto Appearance: August 2019, Judith Shatin’s Ruah for Flute and Orchestra

Teaching Experience

Collegiate level

Tarrant County College

2019-Present

- Music Appreciation

Texas Christian University

2013-2018

- Graduate Teaching Assistant
- Individual lessons to Major and Non-Major students
- Substitute for Faculty Woodwind Quintet "Sundance Winds"
- Taught Woodwind Technique classes
- Assisted with the flute festival preparation and guest artists (2013-2018)
- Assisted with the New Music Ensemble (2017-2019)
- Adjudication for TCU Flute Festival Solo and Ensemble competition
- Maternity leave fill-in for Dr. Thompson
 - Taught Woodwind techniques class
 - Taught individual lessons to the undergraduate studio
 - Taught weekly studio classes
 - Approved and oversaw recital planning

Fall 2016

Pre-Collegiate and Chamber Music

Aspen Music Festival P.A.L.S program teacher

2017-2019

- Private teaching in Aspen and Snowmass area
- Coaching woodwind ensembles

Fort Worth Youth Orchestra

2016-2019

- Chamber Music Woodwind Coach
- Selecting repertoire
- Weekly coaching

Burleson ISD

2014-Current

- Masterclasses
- Centennial HS, Kerr MS
- STEAM/REALM MS: Daily Beginner classes
- Mock Auditions and Judging Region Auditions

White Settlement ISD

2019-Current

- Masterclasses
- Centennial HS, Kerr MS
- STEAM/REALM MS: Daily Beginner classes
- Running Mock Auditions and Judging

Kennedale ISD

2019-Current

- Masterclasses
- Centennial HS, Kerr MS
- STEAM/REALM MS: Daily Beginner classes
- Running Mock Auditions and Judging

Fort Worth ISD **2015-2017**

- Arlington Heights High School lesson teacher and masterclass teacher

Arlington ISD flute teacher **2015-2019**

- Teaching private lessons in three high schools including James Bowie HS and Barnett JH

Private Studio in Tehran **2008-2013**

- Annual Masterclasses in Tehran and other Iran's cities

Masterclasses and Workshops and Judging

Cedar Hill School District, Dallas, Texas **2019**

- Weekly masterclasses on region etudes

HEB School District, Euless, Texas **2019**

- Weekly masterclasses on region etudes and techniques

Centennial High School, Burleson, Texas **2017-Current**

- Weekly masterclasses on region etudes and techniques

TMEA Region Auditions **2016-Current**

- Judging TMEA region audition in DFW

TCU Flute Festival **2017-2018**

- Judging the Solo/Ensemble competition

Iran Flute Society seminar **2012-2013**

- Contemporary flute techniques workshop
- Masterclass
- Guest Artist Recital

High school and middle school masterclasses in DFW **2013-Current**

Administrative Experience / Other Employment

The Cliburn **2019-2020**

- Cliburn in the Classroom Host/Artist
- Performing 40 recitals for elementary schools around DFW and presenting the program "Partnerships" as a flutist and host

TCU Office of Graduate Studies

2019

- Assisting the dean with administrative planning
- Assisting the dean to develop a child-care subsidy

Fort Worth Youth Orchestra

2017-Current

- Director of Chamber Music Program for MS/HS students
- Manage the coaches, teach chamber music, present workshops on practicing techniques and orchestral performance
- Involvement with community services
- Management of communication with parents
- Develop a pre-collegiate theory course to help students pass their placement theory when applying to music schools

Performance Experiences

Orchestral

Odysseus Chamber Orchestra (Dallas-Fort Worth)

2019-Current

- Principal Flute

Fort Worth Symphony Orchestra

2018-Current

- Substitute Second Flute
 - Performed three cycles with the orchestra starting September 2018 including a full production of Ballet “Cleopatra” with Texas Ballet Theater

Kaleidoscope Chamber Orchestra

2017-2018

- Invited to perform two programs including three premieres in Zipper Hall and Walt Disney Concert Hall, Los Angeles

New World Symphony

2017-2018

- Substitute Flute

Tehran Symphony

2015

- Guest Principal Flute
- Conductor: Alexander Rahbari

TCU Symphony Orchestra

2013- 2017

- Conductors: German Gutierrez, Miguel Harth-Bedoya

Parsian Chamber orchestra

2011-2013

Tehran Symphony Orchestra

2011 - 2013

- Assistant Principal

Iranian Contemporary Orchestra for New Music

2004-2012

- Klangwertage Festival for New Music, Hamburg, Germany, 2012
- Conductor: Alireza Mashayekhi

Solo Appearances / Recitals

Mount Vernon Music Series

2020

- Guest Artist for the 19-20 Season
- FW Steinway Hall Debut with Music from Caspian Sea

Aspen Contemporary Ensemble

2019

- Judith Shatin, "Ruah" for flute and orchestra
- Solo Flute

Centennial High School Wind Ensemble, Burlison

2019

- Cecile Chaminade, *Concertino for flute and wind ensemble*
- Solo Flute

Kaleidoscope Chamber Orchestra

2017

- J.S. Bach *Brandenburg Concerto 5* and Gabriella Smith *Brandenburg Solstices*"
- Solo Flute

National Flute Association Convention

2017

- Premiered two new works by Iranian Composers
- Performed a flute quartet with TCU flute studio

TCU symphony

2016

- Carmen Fantasy for flute and orchestra as the winner of 2016 Concerto Competition

TCU Symphony

2015

- Soloist in TCU Latin American Music Festival, performing with Daniel Binelli

Fadjr International Music Festival, Tehran, Iran

2013

- Performing two recitals with guitar and piano in the emerging artists portion of the festival

Tehran Flute Seminar, Tehran, Iran,

2011

- Recitals
- Workshop on Modern Flute

First International C-Sound Festival, Germany

2011

- Premiering a new work for flute and live electronic sounds

Chamber Music highlights

Aspen Contemporary Ensemble (ACE)

2017-2019

- Over 16 concerts in the 8-week session
- Premiering more than 12 pieces in collaboration with the center for composition studies directed by Stephen Hartke and Christopher Theofanidis

TCU Collegium Orchestra

2013-Current

- Performing on Baroque flute as soloist every semester since 2013
- Director: Dr. Joseph Butler

TCU Chamber Music Program

2013-2018

- Performances of different chamber music pieces throughout the year coached by performance faculty
- Faculty Woodwind Quintet, Substitute for Dr. Thompson

Ensemble Martinu, founder and performer, Tehran, Iran

2011-2013

- Winner of the chamber music competition of Fadjr Music Festival, Tehran, 2012

Masterclasses/Teachers

- **Teachers:** Nadine Asin, Demarre McGill, Shauna Thompson, Jake Fridkis, Mark Sparks
- **Masterclasses:** Jefferey Khaner, Ransom Wilson, Alexa Still, Marina Piccinini, Julien Beaudiment, Bart Feller, Jim Walker, Aralee Dorough, Leone Buyse, Christina Smith, Brook Ferguson

Honors/Prizes

- Myrna Brown National Flute Competition – Finalist **2017**
- TCU Concerto Competition – Winner **2015**
- Fadjr International Music Festival, Tehran – First Prize **2012**
- Iran Flute Society Young Artist Competition - Winner **2011**
- Iranian Young Artists Festival, Flute Competition – First Prize **2010**
- Nationwide University Entrance Exams (Iran’s National Concours) **2007**
 - Iran’s highest academic achievement, the exam in Art field is held between 80-100 thousand participants
- Iran President’s Award for Outstanding Scientific Achievement **2007**
- Prize for Scientific Achievement, Iran Ministry of Science, Information and Technology **2007**
- Iranian National Elites Foundation, Honorary Member **2007**

Artistic Affiliations:

National Flute Association

2013-Current

Texas Music Teachers Association	2015-Current
Texas Flute Society	2013-Current
Iran Flute Association, Founder and Lecturer	2011-Current

Discography and Published CDs:

Iran flute Society 1 (Solo Album)– A collection of Iranian music for flute	2017
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Iran Flute Society’ first ever CD including pieces commissioned by Mehrdad Gholami• Published by University of Tehran	
Contemporary Music in Iran– A collection of Iranian music by Tehran Music Group	2015
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Performing solo pieces of Iranian classical composers• Mahoor Publications –	
The Revelation – Music by Shervin Abbasi	2015
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Quintet for flute and strings	
Only That Spark and Nothing More – Music of Karen Kayhani	2014
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>The Last Color</i> - Dedicated to Mehrdad Gholami	
Uranus – Alireza Mashayekhi	2013
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Performing Mashayekhi’s Concerto for flute and orchestra as soloist• Mahoor Publication	

Mehrdad Gholami can also be heard in releases by the TCU Wind Ensemble (2013) and TCU Symphony Orchestra through 2013-2017 and All CDs published by Iranian Orchestra for New Music. CDs and the Booklets are available upon request.

Commissioned/Premiered Works Highlights:

More than 30 world premieres with Aspen Contemporary Ensemble including US premiere of Luke Bedford opera Seven Angels (complete list upon request)

<i>Two Pieces for flute/alto flute</i>	2019
Negin Zumorrodi Dedicated to Mehrdad Gholami	
<i>Etudes for Alto Flute</i>	2019
Mehrdad Pakbaz Dedicated to Mehrdad Gholami Recorded for Caspian Sea Project	
<i>Suite for Solo Flute</i>	2019
<i>Dr. Blaise Ferrandino, TCU’s chair of composition</i> <i>Premiered on SCI Region VI 2019 Convention, Commerce, Texas</i>	

- Amusia for flute and piano*** 2018
Kiawasch Saheb Nasagh
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=q4Q2KHsaAg>
- Rubaie for flute and celesta*** 2016
Matthew Briggs
(<http://www.mhbriggs.com/rubaie.html>)
- Wanderer for flute and percussions*** 2016
Reza Nakisa,
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2efMX8ptD0I>
- Danses Mystiques for flute and piano*** 2016
Kouchyar Shahroudi
Premiered at 44th NFA convention
- Agnosie For Solo Flute*** 2013
Kiawasch Saheb Nasagh, Composition Professor at University of Tehran
- Ballade for flute and Piano*** 2012
Mohammadreza Tafazzoli, Composition Professor at University of Tehran
- Paj for flute and piano*** 2012
Saman Samadi, Tehran University
This Piece won the first prize of Italian composition festival *Counterpoint*
- Sonata for Flute and Guitar*** 2012
Mehrdad Pakbaz, Guitar professor at Tehran University,
- Sonata for Flute Solo*** 2011
Ashkan Pashazadeh,
- Direction for flute solo*** 2011
Farrokh Saberi
- Echo for flute and live electronics*** 2010
Reza Payami, Stanford University,
Premiered at Hannover university concert hall, First C-sound conference,
Appreciated as "The festival's highlight performance"
- Atom for 2 flutes and Xylophone*** 2010
Negin Zomorodi, Tehran Art University
Commissioned piece for EAR digital magazine, published on iTunes
- In den Fruheren Zeiten (In the past times) for solo flute*** 2009
Alireza Chegini
Both Score and Recording Published in Music Report Magazine, Tehran.
- Brick Bridge for flute alone*** 2008

Abolfazi Rahbarian, Trento School of music, Italy
Filmed and Recorded a Documentary for the piece with the same name.

Impression for flute solo
Saied Alijani, Tehran Conservatory

2008

Scores and Recordings of all the mentioned pieces are available upon request.

References:
(More references available if needed.)

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Media Presentation

With Kaleidoscope Chamber Orchestra

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ymFeoV7qcKY>
 - J. S. Bach: Brandenburg Concerto No. 5 in D Major, BWV 1050
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2U68W5PKM24>
 - Gabriella Smith: Brandenburg Interstices
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1Dc2xxJB5Eo>
 - Peter S. Shin: Screaming Shapes • Kaleidoscope with Iris Company

With Aspen Contemporary Ensemble:

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5mhJORF1PXs&t=512s>
 - Dress Rehearsal for Judith Shatin Flute Concerto
- <https://vimeo.com/234082021>
 - Donald Crockett: Whistling in the Dark

Solo Recitals

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lnkCC54Aik>
 - Steve Reich - Vermont Counterpoint - Live Recording
- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oXlZq_PqI90
 - Béla Bartók: Romanian Folk Dances (Arranger: Gergely Ittzés)
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bDcWw2QOUK8>
 - Sofia Gubaidulina - Sounds of the Forest (1978)

Iran Flute Project and premieres:

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=q4O2KHsaAg>
- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-rg9dNT_0zo
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1YLJ6LfHouI>
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2efMX8ptDOI>
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WRlBjRRIXw8&t=32s>
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=P4TWqVdLy9k> (NFA Convention – 2017)

Other Performances:

- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7zPdK6zv_DM
 - Burlison Centennial HS Wind Symphony – Cecile Chaminade – Concertino for flute and orchestra

Baroque Flute:

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TJR3f8ekHY>
 - Johann Christian Bach - Quintet in C - op.11, no.1
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7gLLJR0V7So>
 - J.S. Bach - Orchestral Suite No. 2 in B minor
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RJqnbe1k5Rg>
 - J.S.Bach - Brandenburg Concerto No. 5 - BWV 1050 - I – II

Audio:

SoundCloud Page Address: <https://soundcloud.com/mehrdadplaysflute>

- <https://soundcloud.com/mehrdadplaysflute/sets/judith-shatin-ruah-for-flute-and-chamber-orchestra>
 - Judith Shatin - "Ruah" for Flute and Chamber Orchestra
- <https://soundcloud.com/mehrdadplaysflute/leo-brouwer-paisajes-retratos-y-mujeres-iii-la-pasion-segundowland>
 - Leo Brouwer - Paisajes, retratos y mujeres
 - Performed in a guest artist concert series in Aspen Music Festival with Colin Davin
- <https://soundcloud.com/mehrdadplaysflute/sets/iranian-music-for-flute-mehrdad-gholami-2012>
 - Iranian Music for Flute - Mehrdad Gholami – 2012
 - Selection from CD Published by University of Tehran
- <https://soundcloud.com/mehrdadplaysflute/luciano-berio-sequenza-i-for-solo-flute>
 - Luciano Berio – Sequenza for flute