

Joe Berarducci

Joe Berarducci resides in sunny Kelowna B.C. where he teaches piano and theory. His latest venture was becoming an examiner for the RCM.

Joe has completed his third season of “Musical Storytime” a series of four music experiences for children, accompanied by members of Orange County’s Pacific Symphony and Youth Orchestra.

He has been involved with Carl Orff Canada for over twenty years having served as president of the B.C. Chapter and the National organization. Joe co-chaired the 12th National Canadian Conference in 1992. He has presented workshops throughout B.C. in Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba and several neighbouring states in the U. S. He has given sessions at several of the National Orff Conferences in Canada and in the U.S.

He has worked for the University of B.C., Simon Fraser University, Seattle Pacific University, **Chapman University**, University of Victoria, University of Lethbridge, Capilano College, Douglas College and School District #44 in North Vancouver B.C.

He has adjudicated music festivals throughout B.C. in piano, voice, choral and ensembles.

Joe has co-authored the “Windsong” Recorder series with Birthe Kulich and completed a Teachers Guide for Books 1-4 in the series available through Empire Music in Vancouver, B.C. He and his wife have co-authored The Tale of Humpty Dumpty – a Nursery Rhyme Suite

Joe’s music studies began in Revelstoke with Janice Patrick, who presently teaches at the Kelowna Community Music School. He then went on to study at the University of B.C. in the faculty of Music graduating with a B. Mus. in 1966. During his four years he accompanied the University Choir and many singers and presented three recitals as soloist and accompanist. This was followed by a year in the Faculty of Education to complete his teaching credentials.

He has a M.A. in Music from Western Washington University in Bellingham, Washington and has taken many Orff courses in B.C., Washington, Oregon and Minnesota.

For five years he worked for the Ministry of Education as they prepared the new Fine Arts Curriculum and chaired the implementation committee for North Vancouver for 2 years as well as represented North Vancouver on the Metro Fine Arts Committee.

In 2006, Joe received the award of Honorary Life Member to Music for Children, Carl Orff Canada, musique pour enfants.

In 1992 he was honoured as Professional Teacher of the Year by the North Vancouver Music Educators and in 1993 was honoured by the B.C. Music Educators Association.

He was honoured by the Royal Life Saving Society of B.C. for his years as a volunteer with the organization. In 1973 he was given a Citizenship Award for his community service at C.F.B. Baden in Germany.

