Resume

Zach Sheets; flutist & composer

EDUCATION:

EASTMAN SCHOOL OF MUSIC, Rochester, New York	
M.M. in Flute Performance (in progress) with Prof. Bonita Boyd	2016
M.M. in Composition (in progress) with Prof. Ricardo Zohn-Muldoon	2016
HARVARD UNIVERSITY, Cambridge, Massachusetts	
B.A. in Music and French Literature, magna cum laude, with highest honors	2013
Other Studies:	
American Conservatory at Fontainebleau – Fontainebleau, France	2013
Mozarteum University Summer Academy – Salzburg, Austria	2012
Banff Arts Centre Summer Masterclasses – Banff, Canada	2012
Le Domaine Forget International Music Academy – Quebec, Canada	2010-2012
Previous studies with Ransom Wilson, Cynthia Meyers, Judy Grant, and Heidi Baxter	2001-2013

PERFORMANCE:

ORCHESTRA/ENSEMBLES:

Atlantic Music Festival Contemporary Ensemble, flute fellowship	2014
Switch~ Ensemble, flute	2013-present
Eastman Musica Nova, flute/piccolo/alto flute	2013-present
Eastman Graduate Chamber Orchestra, flute/piccolo	2013-present
Portland Symphony Orchestra, 3 rd flute/piccolo (substitute)	2010-present
Encounters Ensemble, 2 nd flute	2013
Orquesta Sinfonica de Santa Clara, Cuba, piccolo	2011
Dunster House Opera Orchestra 1st flute	2010-2011
Thayer Symphony Orchestra, 3 rd flute/piccolo	2010
Harvard-Radcliffe Orchestra, 1st flute	2009-2013

MASTERCLASSES:

Performer in public masterclasses with Emmanuel Pahud, Mathieu Dufour, Peter-Lukas Graf, Carol Wincenc, Jeffrey Khaner, Walfrid Kujala, Jim Walker, and Elizabeth Rowe

FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS, AND AWARDS:

Alexander and Buono International Flute Competition – 2 nd prize	2013
Harvard University – Thomas T. Hoopes Prize (for excellence in a senior thesis)	2013
Harvard Office for the Arts – Artist Development Fellowship	2012-2013
Bach Society Orchestra Composition Competition – Winner	2010, 2012
"Concours Grafimuse" International Composition Competition – 1 st place	2011
Domaine Forget Music Academy – Merit Scholarship	2011
SoundSCAPE New Music Festival – Merit Scholarship	2011
Lake Champlain Chamber Music Festival – Young Composer Fellow	2011

EMPLOYMENT/LEADERSHIP POSITIONS:

Eastman School of Music –Teaching Assistant in Computer Music	2012-present
Harvard-Radcliffe Orchestra – Assistant Conductor	2012-2013
Music Composers Online Mentoring Program – Composition Teacher	2011-present
Boston Youth Symphony Orchestras – Winds and Brass Coach	2012-present

COMPOSITION:

STUDY:

Composition student of Ricardo Zohn-Muldoon, Eastman School of Music	2013-2014
Composition student of Chaya Czernowin, Professor, Harvard University	2010-2013
Composition study with Roger Reynolds, Hans Tutschku, and Amnon Wolman	2011-2013
Previous Composition study with Erik Nielsen and Nicholas Vines	2003-2010

SELECTED WORKS AND PERFORMANCES:

Weightless Vantage, for alto flute/piccolo, violin, and piano (2014) – 7'

-To be premiered by the Eastman Broadband Ensemble in Hatch Recital Hall, Rochester, NY (April, 2014) and at the Casa Italiana at New York University (April, 2014)

Seven fish, in hourglass time, for woodwind quintet (2014) - 5

-Premiered by the Quintette à vents Brevà at the Oratoire St. Joseph, Montréal (Jan., 2014) that colors the stone, for solo flute (2013) – 9'

-Premiered by the composer in Kilbourn Hall, Rochester, NY (Dec., 2013)

Stata and the Dancing House, for chamber orchestra (2013) – 15'

-Premiered by the Eastman Sinfonietta in Kilbourn Hall, Rochester, NY (November, 2013) Blashcka's Flowers, for String Trio (2013) -8'

-Premiered at the Écoles d'Art Américaines at Fontainebleau, by students from Juilliard and Paris Conservatory (July 2013)

You alone are stranger here, a one-act concert opera, based on the myth of Medea (2013) - 50'

-Premiered in Paine Hall at Harvard University with the composer conducting (May 2013) *Night Butterflies*, for solo cello (2012-2013) – 12'

-Premiered by Séverine Ballon in Paine Hall at Harvard University (2013)

I daresay you never even spoke to time, for flute, clarinet, and cello (2013) - 8

-Premiered by the Callithumpian Consort in Paine Hall, Cambridge, MA (February 2013) *Strike Cycles*, for stereo electronics (2012) – 7'30"

-Premiered by the 40-speaker HYDRA System at Harvard University (December 2012) What is on the End of a Feather for string quartet (2012) - 6'

-Premiered by the Quartetto Indaco as part of the highSCORE Contemporary Music Festival, at the Palazzo Municipio di Pavia, Pavia, Italy (July 2012)

If Bentley had known sound, for clarinet and viola (2012) – 12'

-Premiered by the Juventas New Music Ensemble, Paine Hall, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA, U.S.A. (March 2012)

gathers no moss, for flute, clarinet, violin, viola, cello, and percussion (2011) – 10'

-Premiered by the Talea Ensemble at the Adams House Pool Theatre, Cambridge, MA (November 2011)

-Performed by the Juventas New Music Ensemble as part of their EMERGE; NEW MUSIC series at First Church Boston and Seully Hall at Boston Conservatory (Sep. 2012)

Corbeaux, for violin and violoncello (2011) - 8

-Performed by Soovin Kim and Ed Arron at the Lake Champlain Chamber Music Festival, Elley-Long Music Center, Burlington, VT (August 2011)