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Born 1955 in Calgary, Alberta, Canada

Studies

1963 to 1973 piano, guitar and voice studies

1978 – Bachelor of Music Degree in Composition from the University of Calgary

1979 – Royal Conservatory of Music - Diploma in Flute Performance (with silver and gold medals throughout the years of study.)

1979 – Grade 6 piano diploma

1980 – 1986 – performed frequently with the Calgary Philharmonic Orchestra including in many radio broadcasts nation wide in Canada.

1979 – Grade 6 Piano Diploma. Royal Conservatory of Music

1979 to 1983 - Studied with Robert Aitken, one of the most famous Concert Flutists in Canada.

Performed with success in Master Classes for Marcel Moyse, Julius Baker, Samuel Baron, Geoffrey Gilbert and William Bennet (Orchestra of Academy of St. Martin in the Fields.)

1983 – won the National Competition (including a bursary) to play in The Banff School of Fine Arts Summer Orchestra.

1983/84 – Winner of the National Competition and Bursary to study for 8 months in the Toronto Professional Training Orchestra.

Studied with Jeanne Baxtresser, (former principal flutist of the Montreal Symphony Orchestra, then the Toronto Symphony Orchestra and finally the New York Philharmonic.)

Teaching and Performing Career

1977 to 1986 – taught at the Mount Royal Conservatory of Music in Calgary, Alberta, Canada (private lessons as well as group lessons and master classes.)

1987 to 1996 – performed in Rome, Italy in many venues as soloist as well as with accompaniment by guitar. Arranged music for flute and guitar. Performed meditative music often in India, and developed her improvisational techniques.

1997 to 2008 – performed meditative and improvisational music throughout Europe and made many recordings.

For more information, and to hear clips of her recordings, see www.nandinbaker.com