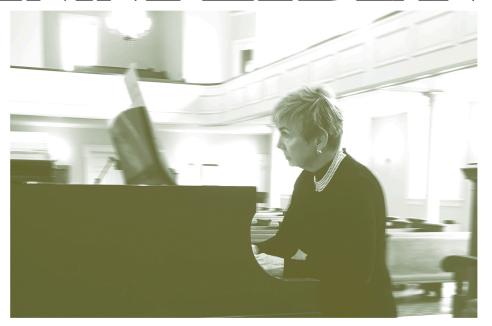
DENINE LEBLANC



PIANIST

Denine LeBlanc's performance schedule has taken her to stages in Croatia, France, Germany, Italy, Hungary, and Poland in addition to music schools across the United States. With roots and training solidly in the best classical traditions, she is also a champion of new piano works and an educator passing her love of music to new generations.

In 2016, Dr. LeBlanc organized "les six", a sextet of wind instruments and piano. The ensemble creates opportunities to play a body of chamber music that is seldom performed. Her first two recordings, "The Sun Shines Bright" and "Weep no More", titles taken from the first line and chorus respectively of the Kentucky state song, My Old Kentucky Home by Stephen Foster, showcase Denine's dedication to new music. Both albums feature the music of modern Kentucky composers, including several pieces she personally commissioned. "For Michelle" Dr. LeBlanc's third album, is a memorial for her late sister, the esteemed equine specialist, Dr. Michelle LeBlanc. "God Loves the French" released in 2021 honors Dr. LeBlanc's father, Douglas LeBlanc featuring solo piano works and music for flute and piano all by French composers.

A longtime educator as well as performer, Denine teaches music in the Jefferson County Public School system and was instructor of piano in the University of Louisville School of Music Community division for over forty years until its closure in the spring of 2020. She has also taught and performed at Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp in Twin Lake, Michigan and been a collaborative pianist in the Advanced Vocal Institute at the famed Interlochen Arts Camp in Michigan. She has lectured widely and published scholarly articles on her research in the Isidore Philipp Archives at the University of Louisville. Denine is past president of both the Greater Louisville Music Teachers Association and the Kentucky Music Teachers Association. She holds a Doctor of Musical Arts degree in piano performance and music history from the University of Cincinnati College-Conservatory of Music, a Master of Music from the University of Louisville School of Music and a Bachelor of Music from the Cleveland Institute of Music, both in applied piano.

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