

## Susan Hoepfner Flute

Appreciated for her "complete fluency in all registers, well-controlled technique and beautiful tone" (Toronto Star), Canadian flutist Susan Hoepfner is in great demand as an international solo recitalist and chamber musician. Appearances include prestigious venues in Canada, Japan, France, Argentina, Portugal, England, Hungary, Yugoslavia, Mexico and the United States. She is also heralded by James Galway as "one of the best talents of her generation."

Susan Hoepfner is a musician of international renown; she has performed as a guest soloist with orchestras around the world, including the New York Chamber Orchestra, Takefu International Festival Orchestra in Japan, Lisbon Radio Orchestra, Orquesta de Camera in Buenos Aires, Northern Lights Music Festival Orchestra in Mexico, and the Sacramento Symphony. In Canada, she has performed with the Calgary Philharmonic, Toronto Symphony Orchestra, Orchestre Métropolitain de Montréal, Kitchener-Waterloo Symphony, Canadian Chamber Ensemble, Regina Symphony Orchestra, and the Manitoba Chamber Orchestra. A true musical ambassador, Susan Hoepfner performed for the opening of the Canadian Embassy in Tokyo in 1991 and is slated to perform at the Canadian Embassy in Mexico City in March 2009.

Ms. Hoepfner is in demand as a recording artist as well. Her numerous recordings appear on EMI Classics, Gramophone AB BIS, JVC Victor, Marquis Classics, and King Record labels. Her most recent releases on the Marquis Classics label include *Fantaisie Française* and *Musique Chambre de Française*. Other artists Ms. Hoepfner has collaborated with in recording and recital include Anton Kuerti, Marc-André Hamelin, Robert Kortgaard, Lydia Wong, Beverley Johnston, Renée Fleming, Measha Brueggengosman, Ben Heppner, Richard Margison, and James Galway.

One project of interest was the inaugural Luminato Festival of Arts and Creativity in June of 2007. Held at the Design Exchange, the opening gala celebrated 1,000 Toronto women who contribute to the artistic community in different genres. All women were photographed by internationally renowned French photographer Pierre Maraval, who was flown in especially by L'ORÉAL. Susan Hoepfner was one of these women chosen for this project.

Early in her career Ms. Hoepfner was the Grand Prize Winner of the Canadian Music Competition, the first woodwind player ever to receive this honour in the competition's history. She went on to win the CBC Young Performer's Competition, and first prize in the Olga Koussevitsky Competition for Woodwinds held at the Lincoln Center in New York. At 20 years of age she gave her New York debut at Town Hall, and went on to perform at the world-renowned Teatro Colón in Buenos Aires, both to critical acclaim.

Susan Hoepfner maintains an active media presence. She can be frequently heard on Canada's national broadcaster, on CBC Radio 2 and on live broadcasts on Bravo! Television.

A graduate of The Juilliard School in New York, where she studied with Julius Baker, Ms. Hoepfner is now a member of the University of Toronto's Faculty of Music where she is an active performer. Every summer, Ms. Hoepfner teaches at Domaine Forget in Charlevoix, Quebec as well as The Julius Baker Masterclass in New York. As a Canadian Yamaha Artist, she performs and travels extensively throughout Canada giving masterclasses in universities and high schools. Ms. Hoepfner, "Sue" to her friends, is an avid walker and swimmer. When she is not busy practising, performing, or teaching, she enjoys candle making, drawing, reading, and throwing fondue parties.

Susan Hoepfner performs on an 18K gold Yamaha Flute (994H). She resides in Toronto.

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## *Critical Acclaim*

"A born soloist, a natural, with profound things to say and the technique to say them."  
-- *The Globe and Mail, Toronto*

"Impeccable technique and majestic tone quality."  
-- *Kitchener-Waterloo Record*

"She plays her golden flute with cool confidence."  
-- *The New York Times*

"Ms. Hoepfner is an innate musician and an instrumentalist of beautiful and radiant sound."  
-- *La Razon, Buenos Aires*