

# Sharlene Wallace / Contemporary harpist, composer, recording artist.

## Competitions Won

1st place Concours d'Improvisation de Rencontres International de Harpe Celtique in Dinan, France  
1st place Lyon & Healy International Pop & Jazz Lever Harp Competition in Tucson, Arizona

## Education

Piano: Frank Falco (jazz piano), Marietta Orloff, Harry Heap, Amy Wong  
Classical Harp: Judy Loman (University of Toronto: Bachelor of Music in Performance)  
Celtic Harp: Kim Robertson  
South American Harp: Alfredo Rolando Ortiz, Ramon Romero, Eralio Gill

## Festivals (a few selected festivals)

2005 Harpfest West: Banff Alberta  
2005 Guelph Spring Festival (with George Koller, bass): Guelph, ON  
2004 St. Mary's Annual Stonetown Heritage Festival (with Kevin Muir, bass): St. Mary's, ON  
2002 Somerset Folk Harp Festival: New Jersey, USA  
2000 Earth, Air, Fire & Water: Goderich Celtic Roots Festival  
2000 le clavecin d'hier et d'aujourd'hui" (with vivie' vincent, harpsichord): Bishop's University, Lennoxville, Québec  
2000 Musicora Festival (with vivie' vincent, harpsichord): Paris, France  
2001 Stratford Summer Music (with Kevin Muir, bass): Stratford, ON  
2001 Arkell Harvest Harpfest (with Kevin Muir, bass): Arkell, ON  
1997 Lyon & Healy International Jazz and Pop Harpfest: California, USA  
1997 Evenement Harp: Longueuil, Québec  
199- Blue Skies Festival (with Kirk Elliott): Clarendon, ON

## Concert Series (a few selected concert series)

2005 Music Alive! Vankleek Hill, ON  
2003 World Music Concert Series: Vankleek Hill, ON  
2004 World Music Series: Royal Conservatory of Music, Toronto, ON (Strike the Harp!)  
2002, 2003 Monday Night Music: A Celtic Feast! Part 1&2 (with Sharon Kahan and Terry McKenna): Stratford Festival of Canada  
- also Strathroy Concert Series, Deep River Concert Series, Thornbury Concert Series, Muskoka Concert Series, Haliburton Concert Series, Mount Forest Concert Series

## Concertos/Orchestral Guest Artist

2005 Oakville Symphony Orchestra: Mozart Harp and Flute Concerto  
2004 International Symphony Orchestra: orchestrated compositions of Sharlene + Celtic harp/Irish flute selections with orchestra  
2001 International Symphony Orchestra: orchestrated compositions of Sharlene + misc. pieces with orchestra (Celtic harp)  
1999 Quinte Symphony Orchestra: Suite for Harp and Chamber Orchestra by Harry Somers + orchestrated compositions of Sharlene  
1996 York Symphony Orchestra: Mozart Harp and Flute Concerto  
1995 Orchestra London: Celtic harp soloist

(to 2006 principal harpist with Kingston Symphony Orchestra and Oakville Symphony Orchestra)

## Discography

Sharlene Wallace independent CDs: the rhyme & the river (1996) / Journey of Shadows (1998) / Beyond the Waves (2004) / Island Mountain (2004)  
Featured harpist on CDs by Jeff & Michael Danna, Kirk Elliott, Bev Foster, Ron Korb, Sharon Peregrine, Loretto Reid Band, Ken Whiteley, Kathy Reid-Naiman, Joan Browne, Chris McKhool and Dan Gibson (numerous Avalon/Solitudes CDs)

## Touring

1996-2005 Extensive concert touring - Canada: Nova Scotia, Quebec, Ontario, Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta, British Columbia ;  
United States: California, Colorado, Florida, Minnesota, New Jersey, Oregon, Tennessee, Washington; France

## Teaching & Workshops

Sharlene is a noted teacher and coach for the Celtic harp and is in demand to give workshops across Canada and in the United States. Sharlene is on the faculties of the University of Guelph, York University and the Royal Conservatory of Music's World Music Centre in Toronto.