

Ohio Wesleyan Faculty Member Hits High Notes

by Cole Hatcher

DELAWARE, Ohio – [Gulimina Mahamuti](#), D.M.A., a part-time assistant professor of piano at Ohio Wesleyan University, recently completed a two-week performance tour in Denmark, where her solo piano recitals received standing ovations. Her program, “A Kaleidoscope of World Piano Music,” features music from China, Australia, Poland, Russia, Hungary, Vietnam, France, Italy, Spain, and Argentina.

Mahamuti, who joined Ohio Wesleyan in 2011, will perform a free recital at the university during fall semester. She will perform at 3:15 p.m. Nov. 3 in Jemison Auditorium inside Sanborn Hall, 23 Elizabeth St., Delaware.

Following her Denmark performance tour, Mahamuti was invited to participate in the 2013 National Conference on Keyboard Pedagogy in Chicago. She presented as a panelist at the Plenary Session, “A Conversation with Pedagogy Leaders from Around the World.”

In addition to her recent tour, Mahamuti performs extensively in major cities in the United States, Canada, Denmark, Hungary, Turkey, and China, with broadcasts on radio and state TV. She also has played recitals at Carnegie Hall in New York City and at Trinity Church in Boston, and she has performed frequently as guest pianist at universities and music schools across the nation, including at Harvard University and Queens College of The City University of New York.

Mahamuti’s orchestral appearances include performances with the Southeast Kansas Symphony Orchestra, the Mansfield (Ohio) Symphony Orchestra, and the Harbin Symphony Orchestra in China. Her piano playing has been featured on many radio stations, including San Francisco Turkish Radio, San Francisco Community Radio, and Queens College of CUNY podcast in the United States; Touch Radio in China; and Istanbul Technical University Radio in Turkey. Her CD recording, “Xinjiang Piano Music from Western China” was released in May 2012 and features piano music from her native China.

Besides performing, Mahamuti has been published, on multiple occasions, in *Clavier Companion*, a leading piano pedagogy journal in the United States. One of her articles has been translated into Italian and appears in [Didattica](#).

Mahamuti is a nationally certified teacher of music in the United States and an honorary guest professor at Yili Normal University in China. As a board member of the Central East District of Ohio Music Teachers Association, she chairs its piano workshop.

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Gulimina Mahamuti performs on Grotrian-Steinweg and Blüthner pianos in Denmark in the beautiful medieval Hune Kirke near Aalborg and Herfølge Kirke near Copenhagen. (Photo courtesy of Gulimina Mahamuti)

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