

The **Princeton Peak Piano Retreat** will feature renowned concert pianist Jo Boatright, aka the "Lioness of the Keyboard," teaching master classes and private lessons against the incomparable backdrop of a Colorado summer in the mountains. Participants will benefit from a master class and private lessons with Jo, culminating in a recital given by the participants for music lovers living or vacationing in the area. The Retreat will also feature a master class in Alexander Technique taught by Harvey Boatright. Harvey also will offer classes in Tai Chi for interested participants.

The Retreat will be hosted in the Boatright's beautiful dream home in Buena Vista, Colorado, located in the Sangre de Cristo range of the Rocky Mountains. The master classes and recital will take place on the specially-built stage in their living room with floor-to-ceiling windows overlooking the Arkansas River.

The town of Buena Vista evokes the days of gold and silver mining, saloons and the Wild West. Many outdoor activities are available in Buena Vista and vicinity, which can be enjoyed by participants, observers and their family members: rafting/kayaking down Brown's canyon, hiking, mountain biking, fishing and visiting neighboring ghost towns. Nearby Salida, Colorado (24.5 miles) offers shopping, museums, and art galleries featuring local artists. And, just 2 hours away, the Aspen Music Festival features world class musicians appearing with the Aspen Concert Orchestra.

Jo is a seasoned mountain climber and has offered to take guests along on her mountain walks each morning of the Piano Retreat. Buena Vista's high season is the summer; therefore, please consider making your reservations early.

See www.fourteenet.com for information on lodging.

Previous participants have included professional and amateur pianists, teachers and advanced high school students.

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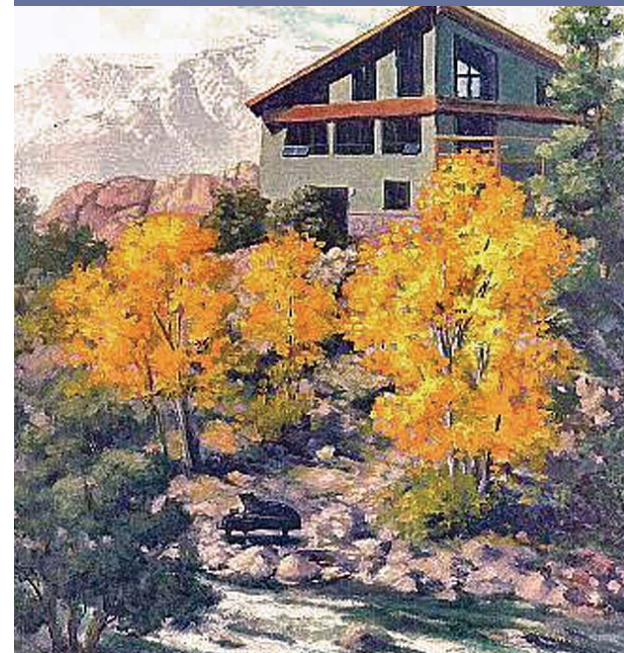
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Princeton Peak Piano Retreat
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FIFTH ANNUAL
**PRINCETON PEAK
PIANO RETREAT**

Directed by
Jo & Harvey Boatright



JULY 26 - 31, 2009
Buena Vista, Colorado

Jo Boatright

co-founded Voices of Change, the professional modern music ensemble of the Southwest United States, and maintains her position as Artistic Director Emeritus. Jo also co-founded the Walden Chamber Music Society in 1981. She continues as pianist and artistic director in the Walden Chamber Music Society in Colorado. She has been a soloist with symphony orchestras since the age of twelve, including an appearance with the Boston Pops and in many of the major music halls of Europe and the U.S.



Ms. Boatright, former Associate Professor at Texas Christian University, has served on the music faculties of the University of Texas at Arlington and Dallas, Southern Methodist University and summer music festivals at Colorado College. She studied with the great Hungarian pianist, Lili Kraus, for fifteen years and assisted her with Master Classes and private teaching from 1974-1983.

Harvey Boatright,

professional flutist and teacher for over forty years, has made a study of body-movement related skills as they apply to musicians. Some of these movement studies come from far eastern martial arts, such as Tai Chi Chuan, and provide valuable balance and coordination help for instrumentalists. He also teaches Alexander Technique, which promotes freedom from habitual tensions associated with performance stress and pain that arise from learned misuse of the psychophysical self. As a complement to these arts, Harvey is skilled at foot reflexology and energy work.



A Day at Princeton Peak Piano Retreat

The Retreat will encompass a whole body approach to the study of piano. Each day can begin with an easy hike or a Tai Chi class with the surrounding mountains and the sound of the Arkansas River adding to the relaxing spirit of the morning.

Piano Master Classes will start at 9:45 a.m. each morning. Participants should arrive on Sunday as Piano Master Classes will start promptly at 9:45 on Monday morning. Also on Monday, an introductory class in Alexander Technique will be offered at 8:30 a.m. The Alexander Technique is a method of drawing awareness to one's body movement so that control is relaxed and deliberate. For musicians, the technique can identify and assist with body and movement issues which interfere with fluid performance and which may even cause pain.

Daily master classes will be with Jo. A maximum of 12 performers will each have a 50-minute master class lesson. All master class participants will benefit from the twelve hours of teaching, sure to include gems for better playing from Jo's career and her intimate knowledge of the technique of the late Lili Kraus.

Afternoons may be spent practicing or taking private lessons with Jo and Harvey. Practice instruments will be available in the homes of Buena Vista residents.

The retreat will culminate in a recital given by the participants for each other and for local and visiting music lovers. Following the recital will be a reception and farewell party.

There are three ways to participate in the PPPR:

1. Performers may attend each master class, perform in one master class and play in the recital
2. Auditors may observe each of the master classes
3. An Observer may attend just one or a number of the Master Classes

Any pianist attending the retreat may elect 1 or 2 private lessons with either Jo or Harvey. **All class and lesson times will be allocated based on receipt of application.**

Address questions via e-mail to Laura Onsgard at lonsgard@yahoo.com.

Email for Catherine Motter, scheduling and repertoire coordinator is cmotter@mindspring.com.

Inquire about Chamber Music opportunities with professional instrumentalists!

Princeton Peak Piano Retreat

Buena Vista, Colorado July 26 - 231, 2009

Application Form

Name _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Telephone Number (_____) _____

Email Address: _____

Retreat Choices

Please choose one the following participation options:

	5-day	3-day
Performer	\$190 _____	\$165 _____
Auditor	\$115 _____	\$70 _____
Observer	\$20/session _____	

For observers, please indicate your attendance days:

M _ T _ W _ Th _ Fr _

Private Lessons

You may elect one or two private lessons each with Jo and/or Harvey and up to 4 Tai Chi sessions.

Each private lesson is \$75, Tai Chi is a group lesson for which the charge is \$10.

	#	Fee Amt
Alexander Lessons	_____	_____
Piano Lessons	_____	_____
Morning Tai Chi	_____	_____
T _ W _ Th _ Fr _		

Total Retreat and Lesson Fees _____

Deposit 50% _____

Mail a check for the deposit amount by May 30, 2009 to:

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c/o Jo Boatright

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