

Judy Bede Bio

2018 Ohio Fellow

While attending a music workshop in Columbus, OH in 1975, Judy sat next to a teacher who introduced her to Ohio Music Teachers Association, and invited her to join. Being new to the area, and just getting acquainted, she jumped at the chance to get involved, and has been doing so ever since. She has enjoyed the many opportunities offered to her students through her membership in OhioMTA/MTNA, from the composition contests, Ribbon Festivals, Scale Olympics, competitions, piano ensemble events, recitals scholarships, and master classes.

In addition to her student involvement, she has served in many capacities at the local and state levels, giving of her services to presenting workshops, serving on numerous committees, District and State Certification Chair, District and State Chair, State Conference Planning Committees, Composition Chair. As State Certification Chair, she initiated the annual State Certified Teacher of the Year Award. In 2002, she was the recipient of this award.

A graduate of Concordia College in Moorhead, MN, Judy has been a Nationally Certified Teacher since 1976 and teaches piano in her independent studio, teaching Suzuki and traditional students from beginning to advanced, She is also adjunct Professor of Directed Teaching at Cedarville University.

In addition to her involvement in OhioMTA/MTNA, Judy is very active in other professional music organizations, including National Federation of Music Clubs, Dayton Music Club, National Guild of Piano Teachers, Suzuki Association of America, and American Guild of Organists, serving on numerous committees in each of them. She also serves as church organist, and performs regularly as pianist, organist, and accompanist in many community venues.