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Biography

A Toronto native, Alanna Ellison has begun to establish herself as a successful musician by performing in a wide range of venues and performance settings. She was influenced from an early age by many different genres including much Celtic music that could be heard in her childhood home. Alanna has been playing harp for over a decade after her admiration for the instrument convinced her to switch from her musical start on piano.

She has come a long way since then and is now in her fourth year of the Harp Performance program at the University of Toronto, where she studies with renowned harpist, Judy Loman.

Alanna has performed for numerous masterclasses for internationally respected harpists such as Alice Giles, Lynne Aspnes, Mariko Anraku, and Caroline Lizotte.

She has also had the opportunity to perform with groups such as the University of Toronto Symphony Orchestra, Wind Symphony and Wind Ensemble, as well as the Toronto Youth Wind Orchestra. She has performed at venues across the Greater Toronto Area for weddings and various other functions such as The Lambton Golf and Country Club, the King Edward Hotel, St. Patrick Cathedral Toronto, and St. Paul Bloor Street Church.

She has been awarded on numerous occasions including a scholarship from the Toronto Harp Society as well as a first place prize for the Ontario provincials in Grade 8 Harp.

Alanna has had her first taste of premiering new music as a solo artist with a piece she commissioned from Toronto composer Mason Victoria, as well as an ensemble player with the University of Toronto Symphony Orchestra. She also enjoys arranging some of her favourite music for harp and other instruments such as a trio she arranged for flute, cello, and harp of the Forrest Gump Suite.

For more information please visit Alanna's website at alannaellison.com.