

Nancy Zeltsman – short bio (July 2023)

Nancy Zeltsman has been a leading marimba specialist for over 40 years. She has premiered over 130 solo/chamber marimba works including compositions by Gunther Schuller, Michael Tilson Thomas, Louis Andriessen, Paul Simon, Carla Bley, and Steven Mackey. She has performed and taught across the U.S. and Europe, and in Japan, China, Mexico and Brazil. Venues included the Tanglewood Festival of Contemporary Music, New York's Zankel Hall at Carnegie Hall, subscription concerts with the San Francisco Symphony, and Shenzhen Concert Hall (China).

Since 1993, Zeltsman has taught at joint institutions Boston Conservatory at Berklee, and Berklee College of Music. Since 2013, she has been regular guest professor of marimba at Conservatorium van Amsterdam, and a Guest Artist at University of Michigan since 2021. She founded and served as Artistic Director of Zeltsman Marimba Festival which was attended by over 600 participants between 2001 and 2018.

Nancy is a Pearl/Adams artist. The Nancy Zeltsman Signature Marimba was released by Adams Musical Instruments in 2021. Her popular line of signature mallets by Encore Mallets is available through Salyers Percussion. She lives in Boston, Massachusetts. More at: nancyzeltsman.com