

Flutist Izumi Miyahara is a freelance artist and educator based in Houston, Texas. She currently holds the Assistant Principal Flute/Piccolo position with the Symphony of Southeast Texas in Beaumont, TX, and the Piccolo/Third Flute chair with the Corpus Christi Symphony Orchestra. She has performed with the Houston Symphony Orchestra, San Antonio Symphony Orchestra, the Houston Grand Opera and Ballet Orchestras, Louisiana Philharmonic Orchestra, New World Symphony, Breckenridge Music Festival Orchestra, and as guest principal flutist with the Fort Worth Symphony Orchestra. She has worked with renowned conductors such as Sir Neville Marriner, Michael Tilson Thomas, Hans Graf and Paavo Jarvi, among others. Internationally, Izumi has performed in Alcala de Heneres and Madrid, Spain as well as in Lucca, Italy.

As a passionate advocate of chamber music and community engagement, Izumi is co-founder of the flute and harp duo, inFLUX. inFLUX brings innovative and progressive concerts into the community and has created artistic partnerships with organizations such as New Hope Housing, Sheltering Arms Senior Services, Daniel Pearl World Music Days, The Methodist Hospital Crane Garden Recital Series, and Holocaust Museum Houston.

As an educator, Izumi maintains a private flute studio and coaches clinics and masterclasses in Houston for American Festival of the Arts, Houston Youth Symphony and Houston Flute Fest. In addition to her musical activities, she is a 200 RYT certified yoga instructor in the Pralaya Yoga System. A native of New York City and a graduate of the Juilliard School Pre-College Program, Izumi holds degrees from the University of Cincinnati College-Conservatory of Music (BM) and Rice University (MM).