

Katherine Siochi – Short Bio (207 words)

Katherine Siochi joins the San Francisco Symphony as principal harp beginning in the 2023-24 season, under the appointment of Esa-Pekka Salonen. She is the Gold Medalist of the 10th USA International Harp Competition, one of the world's most prestigious harp contests. Previously, she held positions as principal harp of the Minnesota Orchestra, Kansas City Symphony, and Sarasota Orchestra. She has appeared as guest principal harp with the Chicago Symphony Orchestra, and frequently substitutes with the New York Philharmonic. This summer, she served as Artist Faculty at the Aspen Music Festival and School, teaching and performing with the Aspen Festival Orchestra.

Katherine has received first prize in multiple national harp competitions, including the American Harp Society's Advanced and Young Professional Divisions. From 2015 to 2017 she was Concert Artist for the American Harp Society, presenting numerous recitals and masterclasses across the US. Solo appearances also include concerts in Hong Kong, China, Israel, and Lyon & Healy Hall in Chicago. In 2021 she released her debut album *Nocturne* on Lyon & Healy Records. In addition to the harp, Katherine studied piano at The Juilliard School during her undergraduate years. Katherine holds bachelor's and master's degrees in harp performance from The Juilliard School, where she studied with Nancy Allen.