



Piano Performance Museum

Factsheet

About the Piano Performance Museum	<p>Since its establishment in 2007 the Catskill Mountain Foundation's Piano Performance museum has shared a wealth of information on the history of pianos.</p> <p>The museum is located in the Doctorow Center for the Arts Rte 23A, Village of Hunter, NY</p> <p>The CMF Piano Performance Museum features the Steven E. Greenstein Collection, a one-of-a-kind collection of historic pianos and musical artifacts that offer a unique insight into the development of pianos in Europe and American over the past four centuries.</p>
Featured Artifacts	<p>Early and modern keyboard instruments include European historic pianos as well as American pianos built in the 18th and 19th centuries. The pianos are displayed to demonstrate the development of the instrument from small pianoforte built for use in private homes and salons to the modern piano built for large concert halls. The collection includes close to 20 fascinating instruments including a Muzio Clementi Square Foretepiano ca. 1802-1805, a ca. 1821-1826 Geib with a cabinet built by the famous American cabinet-maker, Duncan Phyfe, an 1865 Steinway Civil War Square Grand and a Chopin-era John Broadwood.</p> <p>Tuning Tools and Tool kits, some 200 years old, leather-wrapped with a place for each tool; tuning forks, hammers— everything that would allow a technician to bring a piano back to maximum performance standards.</p> <p>The American Piano Experience includes American contributions to the development of the piano and piano music. The collection includes a Boardman and Grey owned by famous jazz pianist, Sir Roland Hanna, on loan from his wife, Ms. Ramona Hanna.</p>



Pianos and the White House: Almost all American presidents have had pianos at the White House, from George Washington through today. The collection includes an 1851 Chickering, of the same style as the piano in the Lincoln White House.



Piano Shawls: A display of beautiful, one-of-a-kind hand-embroidered silk throws that were popular adornments of pianos in people's homes in the 19th century.

Piano and Composer Timeline allows guests to match piano development through the 18th, 19th and 20th centuries with the composers who performed on like instruments.

Piano Manufacturing: A display of antique catalogs, magazine articles and salesmen's miniature piano actions.

Bookable Tours	Private Tours: Group tours are available by reservation starting at \$700 for up to 35 attendees The museum is open to the public for walk-in tours Friday & Saturday from 12 pm to 4 pm.
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