

Robin Harrell

Born in Morganton, North Carolina

Undergraduate Degree- BFA in Painting from UNC- Greensboro

Moved to Hastings, Nebraska in mid-80s. Started teaching guitar privately.

1991- Started a non-profit, The Listening Room, a concert series devoted to local and national singer-songwriters.

August, 2021- retired as Exec. Director of The Listening Room, INC

Robin Harrell moved to Lubbock in October 2021 to join her husband, Dr. Roger Landes, a senior lecturer at TTU's School of Music.

BIO:

A native of western North Carolina, Robin grew up playing guitar and singing. She is a self-taught guitarist, learning from the talented musicians she met in high school and college. Shortly after graduating college she moved to the central Nebraska town of Hastings, where her husband had gotten his first college teaching job. It's there that Robin begin her 38 year career of teaching private guitar lessons.

“ Music and teaching are a passion for me. Sharing a song with a student, and watching them master the skills of playing guitar is so rewarding. It's a job that is never dull. It's a challenge for the student and for me, and I love that.”

Robin is a songwriter and has always been a champion for other writers. In 1991 she founded a non-profit concert series called The Listening Room, which was a forum for local and national touring songwriters. She has produced over 400 concerts and has also organized songwriting workshops for all ages. In 2011 her non-profit purchased an historic building in her town of Hastings, NE and created a permanent home for her concert series and a beautiful acoustic space for all kinds of performances.

In January 2022, she opened her new Lubbock teaching studio, Mockingbird Studio. Lessons are available for ages 8 to 80, beginner to intermediate, on guitar and ukulele.

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