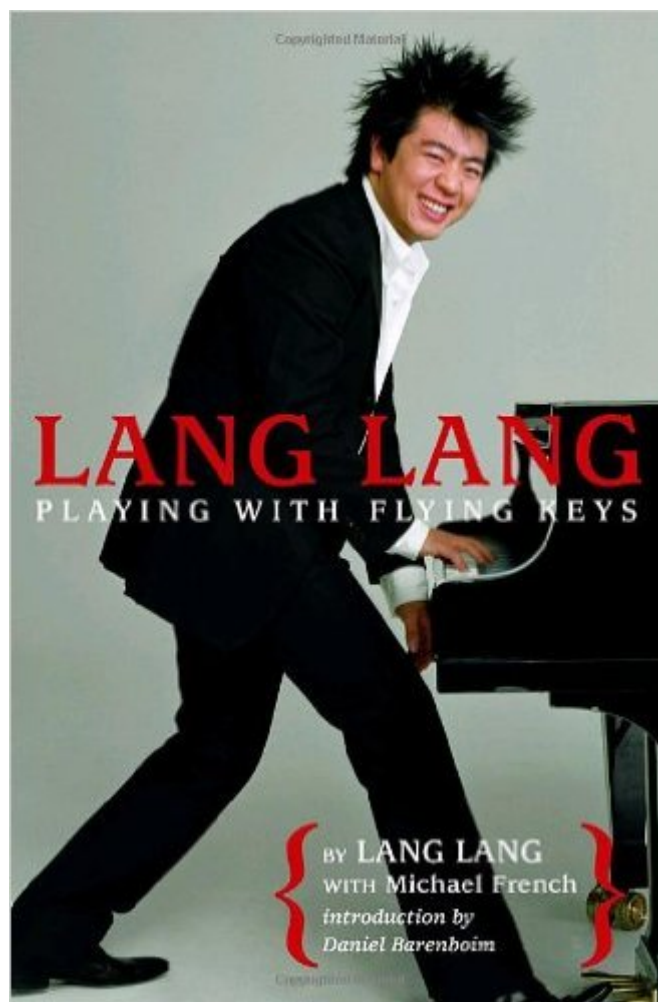


The book was found

Lang Lang: Playing With Flying Keys



Synopsis

HE STARTED LEARNING to play the piano when he was three years old in Shenyang, China. Today he is one of the world's most outstanding pianists. In this engrossing life story, adapted by Michael French, Lang Lang not only recounts the difficult, often thrilling, events of his early days, but also shares his perspective on his rapidly changing homeland. He thoughtfully explores the differences between East and West, especially in the realm of classical music and cultural life. Shining through his rags-to-riches story of a child prodigy who came of age as a renowned musician, Lang Lang's positive spirit, his dynamic personality, and his enduring passion for music will inspire readers of all ages. Includes a 16-page photo insert.

Book Information

Lexile Measure: 900L (What's this?)

Hardcover: 215 pages

Publisher: Delacorte Books for Young Readers; First Edition edition (July 8, 2008)

Language: English

ISBN-10: 0385735782

ISBN-13: 978-0385735780

Product Dimensions: 5.9 x 0.8 x 8.6 inches

Shipping Weight: 9.6 ounces

Average Customer Review: 4.2 out of 5 stars [See all reviews](#) (16 customer reviews)

Best Sellers Rank: #1,210,775 in Books (See Top 100 in Books) #77 in [Books > Children's Books > Arts, Music & Photography > Music > Classical](#) #298 in [Books > Children's Books > Biographies > Musical](#) #1547 in [Books > Children's Books > Biographies > Multicultural](#)

Age Range: 9 - 12 years

Grade Level: 4 - 7

Customer Reviews

The name Lang Lang should be a household word by now. Performing in the Bird's Nest for the Opening Ceremony at the Beijing 2008 Olympics, over 34.9 million viewers in the U.S. alone tuned in to watch. For many, this was their first introduction to the musical phenomena from China. At only 26 years of age, Lang Lang has accomplished more than many twice his age. Starting at a young age, when most of us aren't even out of diapers yet, Lang Lang showed an affinity for the piano. Not being able to reach the pedals, and needing pillows under him to reach the keys, Lang Lang was a prodigy. Coming from a humble background from the city of Shenyang, located northeast of Beijing,

the only chance of any future in classical piano for Lang Lang would come if he could gain acceptance to the conservatory in Beijing. But he would have to place in the top eight to win one of the precious scholarships. Lang Lang's family could ill afford for him to attend without the scholarship. His family had sacrificed everything for him to get this far. His father left his job in Shenyang to travel to Beijing to be with Lang Lang. Lang Lang's mother remained in Shenyang to be the breadwinner of the family and support both Lang Lang and his father. Spurred by his father's demand to be the best and Number 1, Lang Lang enters piano competitions, aspiring to be the best in China, then Europe, and ultimately the world. After winning the prestigious Tchaikovsky prize in Japan, he is admitted to the prestigious Curtis Institute of Music in Philadelphia. While there, he continues his training, awaiting his lucky break into the world of classical piano. LANG LANG: PLAYING WITH FLYING KEYS is a truly inspiring story.

[Download to continue reading...](#)

Lang Lang: Playing with Flying Keys Lang Lang Piano Academy -- The Lang Lang Piano Method: Level 1 (Book & Downloadable Audio) (Faber Edition) Flying Rubbernecks: High Flying Fun for the Airport and Plane How To Overcome Fear of Flying: The Cure For Fear of Airplane Flights: Conquer Your Fear Flying! When I Am Playing with My Cat, How Do I Know That She Is Not Playing with Me?: Montaigne and Being in Touch with Life Piano: The Ultimate Piano Beginner's Guide: Get To Learn the Art of Piano Playing In No Time & Surprise Your Family and Friends *FREE BONUS INCLUDED* (Music, Music Lessons, Playing Instruments) The Art of Baroque Trumpet Playing: Volume 2: Method of Ensemble Playing (Schott) Lang January to December, 13.375 x 24 Inches, Perfect Timing Horses in the Mist 2015 Wall Calendar (1001813) Lang January to December, 13.375 x 24 Inches, Perfect Timing American Quilt 2015 Wall Calendar (1001778) The Lang American Quilt 2014 Calendar The Lang Lighthouse 2015 Calendar The LANG Lighthouse 2011 Wall Calendar Bob Lang's The Complete Kitchen Cabinetmaker, Revised Edition: Shop Drawings and Professional Methods for Designing and Constructing Every Kind of Kitchen and Built-In Cabinet Memories (Lang Leav) Lullabies (Lang Leav) Jonny Lang -- Lie to Me: Authentic Guitar TAB with Qwik Charts Auld Lang Syne: Words to Songs You Used to Know EsL (English As A Second Lang) (Quickstudy: Academic) United We Stand: Flying the American Flag Flying Legends: A photographic study of the great piston combat aircraft of World War II

[Dmca](#)