Arlene Sierra (Are-leen See-air-uh)

1970 - Present



- Born in Miami to a family of New Yorkers, Arlene Sierra holds degrees from Oberlin College-Conservatory, Yale School of Music, and the University of Michigan.
- Sierra first came to international attention when she was awarded the Takemitsu Prize in 2001.
- Further awards have included the Charles Ives Fellowship from the American Academy of Arts and Letters, Classical Recording Foundation Composer of the Year, and a PRS Foundation Composers Fund award.
- Sierra's orchestral showpiece *Moler* was nominated for a Latin GRAMMY for Best Contemporary Classical Composition.
- Sierra was the Utah Symphony's Composer-in-Association for the 2021-2022 season. The Utah Symphony gave the world premiere of Sierra's *Bird Symphony* in April 2022.
- Arlene Sierra currently serves as Professor of Music Composition at Cardiff University School of Music.



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