## Saman Shahi Bio (Short) (150 words)

Saman Shahi is an award-winning and published composer, pianist, conductor and educator based in Toronto.

His compositions have been performed all around the globe and include 4 orchestral works, three operas, two ballets works, and many works for choral, vocal and chamber forces.

Saman holds a master's degree in composition from the University of Toronto, is an affiliate Member of the Canadian League of Composers, Associate Composer at the Canadian Music Centre as well as a SOCAN member. He is a co-founder and the Executive Director at ICOT, Music Director at the Peterborough Concert band, and a composer and lead artist with the Canadian Opera Company.

In 2020 Saman's debut composition album "Breathing in the Shadows" was recorded and released by Leaf Music.