Barbara is an internationally recognized pianist, who as co-founder served CMW as its Artist in Residence and Artistic Director for 22 years. Prior to moving to Wilmington, her international career took her into music festivals and concert halls around the world and she has received many honors and awards including Gold Medal and First Prize in the International Chamber Music Competition, Paris. She toured Eastern Europe, Africa and the Middle East as a musical ambassador for the US State Department and in that capacity made debuts and led masterclasses in Leningrad and Moscow. In addition to having served as Artistic Director for Chamber Music Wilmington, she also served as Artistic Director of the American Music Festival in Beaufort, NC, which she co-founded.