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**Jill, Dr. Timmons : The Musician's Journey: Crafting Your Career Vision and Plan** before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised The Musician's Journey: Crafting Your Career Vision and Plan:

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Life-Changing Essential Reading for Music Entrepreneurs!By Laura K. DeanHow did Jill Timmons pack so much useful information into this slender volume? I read the book cover to cover upon receiving it, and now I find myself picking it up again and again as a valuable reference. In particular, I appreciate the extensive bibliography and motivational quotes. A few years ago, I sought advice on my own professional music journey. I wondered how I could creatively combine my teaching experience, masters degree, love of travel, and passion for performing the music of underserved composers. Enter Jill Timmons, arts mentor. Working

with Jill Timmons has had a life-changing impact on my career. In private sessions, we worked through the exercises, mapping, planning and soul-searching questions that are outlined in THIS book. Since first encountering Jill's advice, I have created my own performance niche, performed in Mexico and Europe, reached underserved audiences in rural communities, expanded my streams of income, and more! I feel I am just getting warmed up. What a delight to have Jill's best advice at my fingertips!

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. From self-reflection to action

By DBA must-have for anyone looking for answers in today's music industry. As a successful, well-established artist-educator who was wondering "is this all there is?" but not knowing how to move in a different direction, Timmons' book comes along to ask the appropriate philosophical questions about who I am, what is my passion, what are my own self-imposed barriers, and how do I want to proceed. What is innovative about this book is that it helps us answer those philosophical questions but then takes us all the way with specific plans, goals, objectives; showing us how to put one foot in front of the other to reach our new-found passion. I am re-energized and moving forward, loving what I do more than ever and making money at it as well!

1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Jill Timmons has perfect pitch

By Ellen Summerfield Jill Timmons has perfect pitch in this meticulously researched, beautifully written book. Even as a non-musician, I found her insights, encouragement, hands-on advice, and stories to be inspirational and widely applicable in my personal life and work. I especially appreciate Jill's non-elitist approach to making a career in the arts. A brilliant pianist herself, she never falls into the trap of suggesting that nothing less than genius will suffice. *The Musician's Journey* is a wise, humane book that represents mentoring at its best.

*The Musician's Journey* escorts musicians, performing artists, music teachers, and advanced music students along the road toward a successful career, offering a vast array of resources to guide them from envisioning the process to achieving the practical details. Jill Timmons provides key tools throughout the journey, from sources as diverse as the world of myth to current brain research, which illuminate compelling real-world examples of music entrepreneurs who forged their own paths to success. Included are chapters on careers in higher education; guidance in how to develop a business plan; general tips on grant writing and financial development; a separate section exploring the stories of other successful musicians; and personal narrative taken from the author's work as a professional musician and consultant. The book includes an extensive bibliography of additional resources, and the companion website offers downloadable worksheets and questionnaires to help readers along their way.

"The title is apt - this book describes a journey in thought, preparation, and destination, and is appropriate for all, not only musicians, who are building a career and a satisfying life. The reader is led from idealistic aspiration through awareness of self and the market to practical outcomes that are entirely possible. Beyond the message and excellent writing, the quotes and bibliography are a diverse and priceless bonus." -- Stephen Clapp, Doctor of Music, Dean Emeritus and Professor of Violin, The Juilliard School

"The author has created an interactive resource that defines the nature of artistic craft and establishes a way in which to implement creative desire...Recommended." --Journal of the Association of Anglican Musicians

"This engaging read is an excellent resource for undergraduate performing musicians as well as those at any stage of their careers...Highly recommended."--Choice

"Jill Timmons has written a book that is a valuable and imaginative guide to career directions for musicians. Her advice is fine-tuned."--Melinda Bargreen, composer and critic

"This is a bold book that aims to offer an inspirational and practical resource for musicians embarking on their careers, or perhaps re-evaluating and making changes in their professional portfolio. Its tone is emphatically optimistic, and it is suffused with useful information, practical tips, uplifting quotations and stories. It draws on an intriguingly broad set of reference points from ancient philosophies to spiritual texts, contemporary neuroscience to personal experience."--Helena Gaunt, British Journal of Music Education

About the Author Jill Timmons is known to international audiences and educators as a leading consultant in arts management. Her consulting firm, Artsmentor LLC, has helped countless music organizations and individual artists meet the challenge of today's market place. Timmons has performed as a pianist under the auspices of the NEA, the USIA, and has been heard on NPR, with concert tours throughout the US, Germany, Switzerland, Austria, France, Spain and Chile. Dedicated to American composers, her discography includes recordings on the Centaur, Capstone and Laurel labels.