



## **BAHAR RUESCH**

Born in Turkmenistan, Bahar is the first Turkmen woman ever to become an organist. As a student at the Interlochen Arts Academy, a prestigious arts boarding high school in Michigan, she experienced an excellent music education. There, she was introduced to, and fell in love with, the organ. She also met the love of her life, now her husband, Andrew Ruesch. Her Bachelor and Master's performance degrees were earned at Ball State University in Muncie, IN.

Teaching and performing music have been the primary interests of Bahar's life for the past 20 years. At Ashgabat International School, she was the Music Director for 3 musicals. At Turkmen National Conservatory, she gave individual lessons to college level students.