# KATERINA GIMON

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## Long Bio (307 words)

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In addition to her composing work, Katerina is also a founding member (vocalist, electronics, co-composer) of dynamic new music and AR/VR collective [Chroma Mixed Media](http://www.chromamixedmedia.com) alongside multi-media artists [David Storen](https://www.davidstoren.com/) and [Brian Topp](https://www.briantopp.com/). Excited by the ever-evolving landscape of technology in today’s society, Chroma endeavours to explore new avenues and intersections for artistic expression by combining various art forms and new technologies to explore new possibilities and challenge audience expectations.

Katerina holds a Master of Music in Composition from the University of British Columbia ('17) and an Honours Bachelor of Music degree in Composition and Improvisation from Wilfrid Laurier University ('15). When she isn’t making music, Katerina enjoys playing board games, puzzling, adventuring outdoors, and relaxing with her partner and their two cats.

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## Medium Bio (215 words)

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## Short Bio (103 words)

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