

Karen Chan Barrett, Ph.D. is an Assistant Professor jointly appointed at the Institute for Health & Aging (UCSF School of Nursing) and the Department of Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery (UCSF School of Medicine). Trained in classical piano, music cognition and theory, and neuroscience, Dr. Barrett is a Cognitive Neuroscientist whose work bridges neuroscience, music, and health. Her research explores the neural and clinical dimensions of music perception and creativity, with a focus on advancing health and well-being across the lifespan. Specifically, Dr. Barrett investigates ways to enhance music perception for individuals with hearing loss, uses neuroimaging to study the neuroscience of creativity, and examines how the arts particularly music—can serve as transformative interventions to support cognitive aging.

The Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders at Emerson College is pleased to announce the 2025 Speech and Hearing Foundation of MA lecture by Dr. Karen Chan Barrett, assistant professor jointly appointed at the Institute for Health & Aging (UCSF School of Nursing) and the Department of Otolaryngology (Head & Neck Surgery) (UCSF School of Medicine).

Benefits of Music Interventions on Speech and Sound Outcomes Among Individuals with Hearing Loss

Thursday, October 23 2025

Light refreshments & networking: 5:30 - 6:00 pm
Lecture: 6:00 - 7:30 pm

ASL interpretation and CART provided

Emerson College Bordy Theater 216 Tremont St., Boston, MA

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