

## CURRICULUM VITAE

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### *Education*

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B.A. in Psychology/Minor in Music/ Certificate in Personnel Management	University of Rochester/Eastman School of Music - Rochester, NY	1991
School of Continuing Education Opera Studio	New England Conservatory - Boston, MA	2005, 2006
Crittenden Opera Studio	Boston, MA	2005, 2006, 2009, 2010
The Coaching Divas - Advanced Opera Workshop	Boston, MA	2010, 2011, 2012
Master class with Amy Johnson	Cambridge, MA	2012
The Coaching Divas - Role Preparation – Aida, Floria Tosca	Boston, MA	2012, 2013
Master classes with Peter Mark	New York, NY	2015

### *Educator*

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Adjudicator	Spirit of Shrewsbury Kids Got Talent Competition	2013 - present
Founder/Director	Young Musicians' Recital Series	2007 - present
Program Director/ Primary Instructor	Kids on Keys Young Children's Piano Program	2007 - present
Adjudicator	Opera Worcester Annual Vocal Scholarship Competition	2008 - 2015
Founder/Director	Children's Summer Singing Weeks	2008 - 2013
General Music Instructor	YWCA Afterschool Enrichment Program (Worcester/Westborough, MA)	2005 - 2007
Founder/Performer	Miss Karen & Friends: Music for Young Children	2005 - 2006

### *Administrator*

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Publicity Chair	Music to Cure MS, Arlington, MA (Annual fundraiser for The Accelerated Cure Project)	2012 - present
Marketing Assistant	Soprano Maria Ferrante, Worcester, MA	2005 - 2013
Aria Sing Program Coordinator	Greater Worcester Opera, Worcester, MA (formerly known as Worcester Opera Works)	2008 - 2012
Administrator	Robinson Music Inc., Westborough, MA	2006 - 2009
Fundraising / Program Committee Chair	Lowell Opera, Lowell, MA	2005 - 2006
Hospitality Committee Chair	Master Singers of Worcester, Worcester, MA	2004 - 2005

## Performer

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### OPERA - Complete Roles

#### Boston Opera Collaborative - Boston, MA

Mother Gerald	<i>Dialogues of the Carmelites</i>	Marc Astafan, Director Michael Strauss, Music Director
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#### Calliope Inc. - Boston, MA

Nun (cover)	<i>The Death of the Bishop of Brindisi</i>	Julia O'Toole, Director
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### OPERA - Partial Roles

#### Calliope Inc. - Boston, MA

Suor Angelica (cover)	<i>Suor Angelica</i>	Julia O'Toole, Director
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Lauretta	<i>Gianni Schicchi</i>	Julia O'Toole, Director
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#### Crittenden Opera Studio - Boston, MA

Desdemona	<i>Otello</i>	Richard Crittenden, Director Kathleen Scott, Music Director
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Amelia	<i>Un ballo in maschera</i>	Elizabeth Vrenios, Director Robert Thieme, Music Director
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Cio-Cio-San	<i>Madama Butterfly</i>	Elizabeth Vrenios, Director Eric Mazonson, Music Director
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Madame Pompous	<i>Too Many Sopranos</i>	Elizabeth Vrenios, Director Scott Nicholas, Music Director
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Nedda	<i>Pagliacci</i>	Richard Crittenden, Director Robert Thieme, Music Director
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Mariane	<i>Tartuffe</i>	Elizabeth Vrenios, Director Eric Mazonson, Music Director
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Euridice	<i>Orfeo ed Euridice</i>	Richard Crittenden, director Kathleen Scott, Music Director
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Second Lady	<i>The Magic Flute</i>	Meredith Wynne, Director Kathleen Scott, Music Director
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Agathe	<i>Der Freischütz</i>	Adriana Hardy, Director Libor Dudas, Music Director
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Donna Elvira	<i>Don Giovanni</i>	Richard Crittenden, Director
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Fiordiligi	<i>Così fan tutte</i>	Elizabeth Vrenios, Director
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Elisetta	<i>Il matrimonio segreto</i>	Richard Crittenden, Director
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#### Greater Worcester Opera (formerly known as Worcester Opera Works) - Worcester, MA

Elisabetta	<i>Don Carlo</i>	Elaine Crane, Director Olga Rogach, Music Director
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Aida	<i>Aida</i>	Elaine Crane, Director Olga Rogach, Music Director
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Lady Billows	<i>Albert Herring</i>	Elaine Crane, Director Olga Rogach, Music Director
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Leonora	<i>La forza del Destino</i>	Elaine Crane, Director Olga Rogach, Music Director
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Elvira	<i>Ermani</i>	Elaine Crane, Director Olga Rogach, Music Director
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## OPERA - Partial Roles (continued)

### Greater Worcester Opera (formerly known as Worcester Opera Works) - Worcester, MA (continued)

Salomé	<i>Hérodiade</i>	Elaine Crane, Director Olga Rogach, Music Director
Chimène	<i>Le Cid</i>	Elaine Crane, Director Olga Rogach, Music Director
Cio-Cio-San	<i>Madama Butterfly</i>	Elaine Crane, Director Cindy Bizzarro, Music Director
Countess Almaviva	<i>Le nozze di Figaro</i>	Elaine Crane, Director Olga Rogach, Music Director

### Longwood Opera - Needham, MA

Sieglinde	<i>Die Walküre</i>	J. Scott Brumit, Director Jeffrey Brody, Music Director
Turandot	<i>Turandot</i>	J. Scott Brumit, Director Jeffrey Brody, Music Director
Reiza	<i>Oberon</i>	J. Scott Brumit, Director Jeffrey Brody, Music Director
Leonora	<i>La forza del Destino</i>	J. Scott Brumit, Director Jeffrey Brody, Music Director
Marietta	<i>Die Tote Stadt</i>	J. Scott Brumit, Director Jeffrey Brody, Music Director
Adriana Lecouvreur	<i>Adriana Lecouvreur</i>	J. Scott Brumit, Director Jeffrey Brody, Music Director
Chimène	<i>Le Cid</i>	J. Scott Brumit, Director Jeffrey Brody, Music Director
Santuzza	<i>Cavalleria rusticana</i>	J. Scott Brumit, Director Jeffrey Brody, Music Director
Elisabetta	<i>Don Carlo</i>	J. Scott Brumit, Director Jeffrey Brody, Music Director
Giulietta	<i>Les contes d'Hoffmann</i>	J. Scott Brumit, Director Jeffrey Brody, Music Director
Rosalinde	<i>Die Fledermaus</i>	J. Scott Brumit, Director Jeffrey Brody, Music Director
Lady Billows	<i>Albert Herring</i>	J. Scott Brumit, Director Jeffrey Brody, Music Director
Wally	<i>La Wally</i>	J. Scott Brumit, Director Jeffrey Brody, Music Director
Amelia	<i>Un ballo in maschera</i>	J. Scott Brumit, Director Jeffrey Brody, Music Director
Gioconda	<i>La Gioconda</i>	J. Scott Brumit, Director Jeffrey Brody, Music Director
Maddalena	<i>Andrea Chénier</i>	J. Scott Brumit, Director Jeffrey Brody, Music Director
Aida	<i>Aida</i>	J. Scott Brumit, Director Jeffrey Brody, Music Director
Elvira	<i>Ernani</i>	J. Scott Brumit, Director Jeffrey Brody, Music Director
Floria Tosca	<i>Tosca</i>	J. Scott Brumit, Director Jeffrey Brody, Music Director
Cio-Cio-San	<i>Madama Butterfly</i>	J. Scott Brumit, Director Jeffrey Brody, Music Director

## OPERA - Partial Roles (continued)

### Lowell Opera Company - Lowell, MA

Cio-Cio-San	<i>Madama Butterfly</i>	Andrew Bonanno, Director Eric Schwartz, Music Director
Countess Almaviva	<i>Le nozze di Figaro</i>	Andrew Bonanno, Director Eric Schwartz, Music Director
Despina	<i>Così fan tutte</i>	Christina Puntoni, Director Eric Schwartz, Music Director

### Mass Theatrica - Lynn, MA

Amelia	<i>Simon Boccanegra</i>	Angeliki Theoharris, Director Bradley Pennington, Music Director
Magda	<i>La rondine</i>	Angeliki Theoharris, Director Bradley Pennington, Music Director
Countess Almaviva	<i>Le nozze di Figaro</i>	Angeliki Theoharris, Director Bradley Pennington, Music Director

### New England Conservatory - Boston, MA

Elettra	<i>Idomeneo</i>	Janice Giampa, Director Daniel Wyneken, Music Director
Fiordiligi	<i>Così fan tutte</i>	Janice Giampa, Director Daniel Wyneken, Music Director
Countess Almaviva	<i>Le nozze di Figaro</i>	Janice Giampa, Director Daniel Wyneken, Music Director
Mother Marie	<i>Dialogues of the Carmelites</i>	Janice Giampa, Director Daniel Wyneken, Music Director

## MUSICAL THEATRE - Partial Roles

### Longwood Opera - Needham, MA

Lillian Holiday	<i>Happy End</i>	J. Scott Brumit, Director Scott Nicholas, Music Director
Carlotta	<i>Phantom</i>	J. Scott Brumit, Director Jean Anderson Collier, Music Director

## CONCERT:

Featured Artist	<i>Summer Concert Series: Operatic Arias and Scenes</i>	Longwood Opera J. Scott Brumit, Director	2012 - 2015
Featured Artist	<i>Music to Cure MS Benefit Concert: Operatic Arias</i>	Marion Leeds Carroll, Director	2010 - 2015
Featured Artist	<i>New Year's Needham Operatic Arias and Scenes</i>	Longwood Opera J. Scott Brumit, Director	2012 - 2014
Solo Recitalist	<i>Vissi d'arte - Vissi d'amore. Così è la vita! Operatic Arias and Art Songs</i>	Yukiko Oba, piano	2014
Featured Artist	<i>Music Celebrating Women Operatic Arias</i>	Marion Leeds Carroll, Director Joseph Reid, piano	2014
Featured Artist	<i>Studio Recital – Students of Sondra Kelly Puccini's Vissi d'arte Verdi's Pace, pace mio Dio</i>	Mark McNeill, piano	2013
Featured Artist	<i>Sopranopalooza! Annual Gala Opera Benefit</i>	Greater Worcester Opera Elaine Crane, Director	2011 - 2013
Featured Artist	<i>Summer Concert Series – Opera Gala Operatic Arias and Scenes</i>	Greater Worcester Opera Elaine Crane, Director	2010 - 2012
Featured Artist	<i>Studio Recital – Students of Sondra Kelly Massenet's Pleurez, pleurez mes yeux!</i>	Mark McNeill, piano	2011

## CONCERT (Continued):

Featured Artist	<i>Operatic Chestnuts</i>	Marion Leeds Carroll, Director David Goldhirsch, piano	2011
Solo Recitalist	<i>Mozart to Puccini &amp; More Operatic Arias</i>	Olga Rogach, piano	2009
Featured Artist	<i>Quadrivium Benefit Concert: Operatic Arias</i>	Alumni Club of Worcester Jeanne Drumm, piano	2009
Featured Artist	<i>Holiday Program: Arias and Holiday Music</i>	Opera Worcester Paul Shannon, piano	2006
Featured Artist	<i>Holiday Outreach Program: Arias and Holiday Music</i>	Lowell Opera Judi Lemoine, Director	2005

## ORATORIO:

Soprano Soloist	Handel's <i>Messiah</i>	Maplewind Youth Orchestra Russell Killough-Miller, Director	2015 2013
Soprano Soloist	Respighi's <i>Laud to the Nativity</i>	First Baptist Church/Worcester, MA William Ness, Director	2012
Soprano Soloist	Bach's <i>Cantata No. 131 Aus der Tiefe</i>	Jagan-Nath and Friends Ensemble	2011
Soprano Soloist	Handel's <i>Messiah</i>	Worcester Youth Orchestra Audrey White, Director	2010
Soprano Soloist	Haydn's <i>The Creation (The Heavens are Telling trio)</i>	Calliope, Inc. Julia O'Toole, Director	2009
Soprano Soloist	Handel's <i>Messiah (Part I)</i>	Salisbury Singers Michelle Graveline, Director	2008
Soprano Soloist	Mozart's <i>Et incarnatus est</i>	Eric Schwartz, piano	2007
Soprano Soloist	Mendelssohn's <i>Elijah</i>	Sudbury Congregational Church Marjorie Ness, Director	2006
Soprano Soloist (cover)	Durufle's <i>Requiem</i>	Wesley United Methodist Church Scott Lamlein, Director	2006
Soprano Soloist	<i>Festival of Lessons and Carols</i>	Wesley United Methodist Church Scott Lamlein, Director	2005 2006
Soprano Soloist (cover)	Eleanor Daley's <i>Requiem (Area Premiere)</i>	Master Singers of Worcester Malcolm Halliday, Director	2005
Soprano Soloist	Selections from Handel's <i>Messiah</i> ; Mozart's <i>Exsultate jubilate</i>	Seventh Day Church - Worcester, MA Charles Nwachukwu, Director	2005
Soprano Soloist	Handel's <i>Messiah (Part I)</i>	Seventh Day Church - Worcester, MA Charles Nwachukwu, Director	2004
Mezzo-Soprano Soloist	Beethoven's <i>Choral Fantasy</i>	Master Singers of Worcester Malcolm Halliday, Director	2004
Soprano Soloist	<i>Music at the Meeting House</i>	Master Singers of Worcester Malcolm Halliday, Director	2004
Soprano Soloist	<i>Boar's Head Festival</i>	Master Singers of Worcester Malcolm Halliday, Director	2004
Soprano Soloist	<i>Organ Dedication Concert Series Karg-Elert's Symphonic Choral No. 3</i>	First Unitarian Church - Worcester, MA Brian Jones, Director	2004
Soprano Soloist	Mozart's <i>Missa brevis in C</i>	Wesley United Methodist Church Marjorie Ness, Director	2003

## LITURGICAL:

Cantor	Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish Milford, MA	Saeah Lee / Robert Blake Directors of Music	2014 - 2015
Soprano Soloist/Section Leader	St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church Sudbury, MA	Lois Toepfner Minister of Music	2012 - 2015
Guest Soloist	First Church of Christ, Scientist Weston, MA	Paula Fiore, Music Chairperson	2015
Guest Soloist	First Church of Christ, Scientist Beverly, MA	Roberta Cassety , Organist	2012 - 2013
Soprano Soloist/Section Leader	St Anthony of Padua Parish Revere, MA	Robert Carson, Minister of Music	2009 - 2012
Soprano Soloist/Section Leader	First Baptist Church Worcester, MA	William Ness, Minister of Music	2007 - 2012
Soprano Soloist	First Congregational Church Boylston, MA	Dennis Deyo Minister of Music	2010 - 2012
Soprano Soloist	St. Francis Episcopal Church Holden, MA	Charles Nwachukwu, Minister of Music	2004 - 2011
Soprano Soloist/Section Leader	United Congregational Church Worcester, MA	Lucia Falco, Minister of Music	2004 - 2010
Soprano Soloist/Section Leader	The Congregational Church West Medford, MA	Herman Weiss, Director of Music	2010
Soprano Soloist	Wesley United Methodist Church Worcester, MA	Scott Lamlein, Minister of Music	2004 - 2008
		Leroy Hanson, Minister of Music	1984 - 1988
Soprano Soloist	Christ Church Fitchburg, MA	Marjorie Ness, Minister of Music	2004

## *Awards and Recognition*

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Semi-Finalist	The American Prize in Vocal Performance – Opera/Operetta Division	2011, 2012, 2014
First Alternate	Connecticut Concert Opera's American Opera Idol Competition	2013
Alternate	Connecticut Concert Opera's American Opera Idol Competition	2011, 2012
Semi-Finalist	Peter Elvins Vocal Competition	2007
Scholarship Recipient	New England Conservatory School of Continuing Education Opera Studio	2005, 2006
Scholarship Recipient	Crittenden Opera Studio	2005