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Education

Master of Music in Vocal Performance

University of Tennessee in Knoxville, Tennessee

- ▶ additional concentration in Vocal Pedagogy

Graduated: May 2021

Bachelor of Music with a concentration in Vocal Performance

Montclair State University in Montclair, New Jersey

Graduated: May 2018

Teaching and Academia Experience

Studio Teacher - Voice and Piano

2023-present

Sellwood Studio

Madison, NJ

- ▶ Teaches weekly or as-requested voice and piano lessons to students from age 4 up
- ▶ Chooses appropriate repertoire in a wide variety of styles to encourage student growth.
- ▶ Uses voice and piano methods to encourage consistent practice, musical development, and long-term growth.
- ▶ Plans overarching goals for each student in the studio to maintain high musical and technical standards.
- ▶ Has successfully prepared students for auditions for middle school, high school, and community musical theatre roles.

Graduate Teaching Assistant - Class Voice 110

2019 - 2021

University of Tennessee

Knoxville, TN

- ▶ Taught a twice-weekly voice class for undergraduate non-majors
- ▶ Instructor of record, developed a comprehensive curriculum and syllabus through which to cover topics such as breath support, technique, vocal health, repertoire, voice types, diction, and others.
- ▶ Accompanied students at the piano as a group and individually.
- ▶ Successfully transitioned the class format from in-person to virtual during COVID-19 pandemic with Zoom, Canvas, Jitsi Meet, and SoundJack.
- ▶ Organized end-of-semester recitals as a final project, both in virtual and live formats.

Musicology Grader - Musicology 210 and 220

2020 - 2021

University of Tennessee

Knoxville, TN

- ▶ Assisted Dr. Rachel Golden and Dr. Jacqueline Avila with the marking and grading of assignments, exams, and papers.
- ▶ Aided general administration of the class via Canvas, email, and distribution of written materials.

- ▶ Offered tutoring during scheduled office hours and review sessions, including use of the Kahoot software to create review games for further study.
- ▶ Co-lead an academic writing workshop to help improve student writing performance, covering topics such as thesis development and Chicago citation.
- ▶ In MUCO 210, taught selected lessons in consultation with the lead professor (topics include: Guillaume Du Fay, colonialism and Renaissance music in the New World, and Baroque opera).
- ▶ In MUCO 220, assisted the lead professor with the creation of exams and in lectures (Topics include: Lieder, Romantic Period opera, and 20th Century vocal works).

Graduate Teaching Assistant - Vocal Pedagogy and other duties

2019-2021

University of Tennessee
Knoxville, TN

- ▶ Teaching Assistant to Dr. Kimberly Roberts for undergraduate Vocal Pedagogy I and II. Provides classroom support for the hybrid online/in-person course, including giving lectures on spectrogram analysis and voice technology for the private studio.

Private Studio Teacher

2015 - present

Long Valley, NJ, Boise, ID, and Knoxville, TN

- ▶ Teaches weekly or as-requested voice and piano lessons to students ranging in age from 4 to 66
- ▶ Maintains all operations of the studio from financial responsibilities and budget to scheduling and correspondence.
- ▶ Has successfully prepared students for auditions for middle school, high school, and community musical theatre roles, as well as college-level music auditions.

Studio Teacher - Voice and Piano

2018-2019

Strand Studios in Hackettstown, NJ

- ▶ Studio of up to 35 weekly students.
- ▶ As an independent contractor, maintained the daily operation, budget, scheduling, purchasing, and all correspondence for my studio
- ▶ Taught voice and piano, specializing in younger children and high school students, while also teaching a few adult students.
- ▶ Used voice and piano methods to encourage consistent practice, musical development, and long-term growth.
- ▶ Planned overarching goals for each student in the studio to maintain high musical and technical standards.

Related Experience

Emerging Artist

2022-present

Opera Idaho, Boise, ID

- ▶ Clinician at multiple high schools: Lead choir sectionals and masterclasses, gave brief lessons, and provided one-on-one instruction to some students ages 14-18.
- ▶ Long COVID clinician in collaboration with St. Luke's Medical Center -
 - Taught breathing and singing techniques to clients suffering from long-lasting COVID-19 symptoms
 - Used SOVT (semi-occluded vocal tract) exercises, breath exercises, guided breath workouts, and supervised singing to

encourage deeper/lower breathing and to help students gradually improve their breath capacity despite lasting damage.

- Lead discussions and addressed client concerns regarding their specific injuries and physical/mental health concerns related to lung damage caused by COVID-19.
- ▶ Gave multiple masterclasses to students at BYU-Idaho, University of Idaho, and Boise State University:
 - Worked with undergraduate and graduate-level sopranos, mezzos and contraltos on operatic and art song repertoire, focusing on resonance, phonation, breath and body work, and dramatic delivery of text.

Resident Artist

2021-2022

Indianapolis Opera, Indianapolis, IN

- ▶ Clinician at multi-day residency series with Oaks Academy, lead several choral and solo vocal masterclasses with students in 7th and 8th grade
- ▶ Residency at Brookside Play: lead children from ages 5-13 in operatic education activities including theatre games, play rehearsals, vocal exercises, and operatic demonstrations with after-performance discussions.
- ▶ Worked with Indianapolis Children's Choir: lead warm-ups, lead sectionals, worked with individual singers on technique, etc.

Assistant to Vice President

2014 - present

Opera at Florham in Madison, NJ

- ▶ Works closely with Artistic Director Mary Pinto to create concert programs and promotional materials
- ▶ Uses Microsoft Office suite and Adobe Creative suite programs to design printed materials.

Substitute Studio Teacher - Voice and Piano

2019 - 2020

Backstage Performing Arts Center in Rutherford, NJ

- ▶ Subbed for another teacher during a month-long winter recess
- ▶ Taught a studio of 7 children between the ages of 5 and 14, in both voice and piano
- ▶ Coordinated with their current teacher to provide lessons that would aid the students and correspond with their current training

Intern

2019

Singing Voice Science Workshop

Held at Montclair State University in Montclair, NJ

- ▶ Assisted the workshop in daily management: check-in, organization, maintaining daily schedule, preparing and disassembling the various spaces needed, assisting with the technological needs of the conference, etc.

Curriculum Assistant

2017 - 2018

- ▶ Assisted Prof. Mary Pinto in the development of three courses for SUNY Purchase: Italian Diction for Undergraduates, French Diction for Undergraduates, and Opera Repertoire for Graduate Students.
- ▶ Created syllabi and lesson plans for each of the three classes; including assignments, reading selections, homework, and grading rubric.

Intern

2012

Philadelphia Boys Choir Summer Opera Camp

Held at the Academy of Vocal Arts in Philadelphia, PA

- ▶ Assisted the musical preparation of an opera scenes program with late middle school and high school-aged students.
- ▶ Directed opera scenes from *The Old Maid and the Thief* and *The Barber of Seville*.
- ▶ Coached and taught lessons to students between age 13-21.
- ▶ Created printed programs and organized music.
- ▶ Aided in set-up and tear-down of activities and sets, guided campers to activities and classes, reinforced camp rules and worked to ensure safety and enjoyment of the campers.

Other Academic Experience

Guest Speaker

Jan 2022

Montclair State University

- ▶ Discussion “Planning a Singing Career in Impossible Times”
 - Spoke to undergraduate voice students about the difficulties of managing a career in opera and how they can improve their chances with good materials, resources, and creating flexible systems that work with both neurotypical and neurodivergent brains.
 - Created a digital workbook to help students organize, prioritize, and manage their own careers.

Guest Speaker

Nov 2021

University of Tennessee

- ▶ Graduate Vocal Pedagogy FA 2022
- ▶ Undergraduate Vocal Pedagogy 2021

Discussed formants, spectrogram analysis software, and basics of acoustics with both the undergraduate and graduate level students.

Performance Experience

Opera and Operetta +=upcoming ^=world premiere

Full Roles

+Stephano	<i>Romeo et Juliette</i>	Opera Idaho	2024
Alisa	<i>Lucia di Lammermoor</i>	Druid City Opera	2023
Turnspit	<i>Rusalka</i>	Opera Idaho	2023
2nd Watersprite	<i>Rusalka</i>	Opera Idaho	2023
La dama (cover)	<i>Macbeth</i>	Opera Idaho	2023

Berta	<i>Il barbiere di Siviglia</i>	Opera Idaho	2022
Rosina (cover)	<i>Il barbiere di Siviglia</i>	Opera Idaho	2022
Dr. Bartola	<i>The Barber of Seville</i> (outreach show)	Opera Idaho	2022
Nettie (cover)	<i>Carousel</i>	Indianapolis Opera	2022
Mezzo Soloist	<i>Vedem: A Holocaust Oratorio</i> (Laitman)	Indianapolis Opera	2022
Cat	<i>Brundibár</i> (Krása)	Indianapolis Opera	2022
Wendy	<i>Sing me a Story</i>	Indianapolis Opera	2022
^Janis	<i>U-Hauling</i> (Hoffeditz/Feltkamp)	Black Sheep Contemporary Ensemble	2022
Donna Elvira (cover)	<i>Don Giovanni</i>	Indianapolis Opera	2021
Soloist	<i>Abandoned</i> (Ince)	University of Tennessee Opera Theatre	2021
Psychiatrist	<i>The Unicorn in the Garden</i> (Smith)	University of Tennessee Opera Theatre	2021
^Delores (cover)	<i>Royal Flush</i> (Frank Pesci)	Marble City Opera	2021
Dater #10, #39	<i>Speed Dating Tonight</i> (Ching)	University of Tennessee Opera Theatre	2020
Miss Todd	<i>The Old Maid and the Thief</i>	University of Tennessee Opera Theatre	2020
Amelia's Friend	<i>Amelia at the Ball</i>	University of Tennessee Opera Theatre	2020
Stephano	<i>Romeo et Juliette</i>	Knoxville Opera	2020
Dorabella	<i>Così fan tutte</i>	Light Opera of New Jersey	2019
Bianca	<i>The Rape of Lucretia</i>	Montclair State University	2018
Angelina	<i>La Cenerentola</i>	Opera Theatre of Montclair	2017
Berta	<i>The Barber of Seville</i>	Light Opera of New Jersey	2017
Dritte Dame	<i>Die Zauberflöte</i>	Opera Theatre of Montclair	2017
Camilla	<i>Il giovedì grasso</i> (Donizetti)	Montclair State University	2016
Giovanna	<i>Rigoletto</i>	Montclair State Chamber	2015
^Corrie	<i>Family Penalties</i> (Natale)	Montclair State Chamber	2015
Donna Anna	<i>Don Giovanni</i>	Montclair Young Artists Initiative	2014
Lauretta	<i>Gianni Schicchi</i>	Montclair State University	2014
Mustardseed	<i>A Midsummer Night's Dream</i>	Johanna Meier Summer Opera	2013
Sister Mathilde	<i>Dialogues of the Carmelites</i>	Montclair State University	2013
^Muchacha 2	<i>Bodas de Sangre</i> (Duarte-Lopez))	Montclair State University	2012
Carmen Ghia	<i>The Stoned Guest</i> (Peter Schickele)	Philly Boys Choir Summer Opera Camp	2012

Partial Roles

Nicklausse	<i>Les Contes d'Hoffmann</i>	Opera Idaho	2023
Hansel	<i>Hansel und Gretel</i>	Opera Idaho	2022
Carmen	<i>Carmen</i>	Pittsburgh Festival Opera	2022
Eboli	<i>Don Carlo</i>	Pittsburgh Festival Opera	2022
Giovanna Seymour	<i>Anna Bolena</i>	Pittsburgh Festival Opera	2022
Dorabella	<i>Così fan tutte</i>	Pittsburgh Festival Opera	2022
Paquette	<i>Candide</i>	Pittsburgh Festival Opera	2022
Maddalena	<i>Rigoletto</i>	Indianapolis Opera	2022
Marcellina	<i>Le nozze di Figaro</i>	Indianapolis Opera	2022
Musetta	<i>La Bohème</i>	Indianapolis Opera	2022
Carmen	<i>Carmen</i>	Indianapolis Opera	2021
Malika	<i>Lakmé</i>	Indianapolis Opera	2021
Mrs. Lovett	<i>Sweeney Todd</i>	Indianapolis Opera	2021
Leonora	<i>Fidelio</i>	Indianapolis Opera	2021
Countess	<i>Le nozze di Figaro</i>	Indianapolis Opera	2021
Dinah	<i>Trouble in Tahiti</i>	Indianapolis Opera	2021

Luisa	<i>The Fantasticks</i>	Indianapolis Opera	2021
Nerone	<i>L'incoronazione di Poppea</i>	University of Tennessee	2021
Carmen	<i>Carmen</i>	University of Tennessee	2020
Suzuki	<i>Madama Butterfly</i>	University of Tennessee	2019
Giovanna Seymour	<i>Anna Bolena</i>	Montclair State Chamber	2019
Elettra	<i>Idomeneo</i>	Montclair State Chamber	2016
Dorabella	<i>Così fan tutte</i>	Montclair State University	2015
Maddalena	<i>Rigoletto</i>	Montclair State Chamber	2015
Augusta	<i>The Ballad of Baby Doe</i>	Montclair State University	2014
Mrs. Page	<i>The Merry Wives of Windsor</i>	Montclair State Chamber	2014
Regina	<i>Regina</i>	Montclair State University	2013
Galatea	<i>Aci, Galatea e Polifemo</i>	Montclair State Collegium Musicum	2013
Cleopatra	<i>Giulio Cesare</i>	Druid City Opera Workshop	2013
Second Lady	<i>The Magic Flute</i>	Druid City Opera Workshop	2013
Aminta	<i>Il re pastore</i>	Philly Boys Choir Summer Opera Camp	2012
Josephine	<i>HMS Pinafore</i>	Philly Boys Choir Summer Opera Camp	2012
Maritza	<i>Countess Maritza</i>	Philly Boys Choir Summer Opera Camp	2012
Galathee	<i>Die Schöne Galathee</i>	Rutgers Summer Opera Camp	2011
Annio	<i>La clemenza di Tito</i>	Rutgers Summer Opera Camp	2011
Peep-Bo	<i>The Mikado</i>	Rutgers Summer Opera Camp	2011

Opera Chorus

+Alto	<i>Lucia di Lammermoor</i>	Druid City Opera	2023
Alto	<i>Macbeth</i>	Opera Idaho	2023
Alto	<i>Carousel</i>	Indianapolis Opera	2022
Alto	<i>Don Giovanni</i>	Indianapolis Opera	2021
Alto	<i>Madama Butterfly</i>	Knoxville Opera	2019
Alto	<i>L'elisir d'amore</i>	University of Tennessee Opera Theatre	2019
Alto	<i>Così fan tutte</i>	Light Opera of New Jersey	2019
Alto	<i>Die Fledermaus</i>	Montclair State University	2015
Alto	<i>Dialogues of the Carmelites</i>	Montclair State University	2013
Soprano	<i>Carmen</i> (in English)	Johanna Meier Summer Opera	2013

Concert Soloist

+Alto Soloist	<i>Missa Solemnis</i> (Beethoven)	St. Paul's Westfield	2024
Alto Soloist	<i>Messe de minuit pour Noël</i> (Charpentier)	St. Paul's Westfield	2023
Alto Soloist	<i>Messiah Part I</i>	South Orange Symphony	2023
Alto Soloist	<i>Missa Brevis in B-flat</i> (Mozart)	Critical Mass Vocal Artists	2023
Mezzo Soloist	<i>Vedem</i> (Laitman) (staged)	Indianapolis Opera	2022
Mezzo Soloist	<i>A Midsummer Night's Dream</i>	New Jersey Symphony Orchestra	2016
^Mezzo Soloist	<i>Mass in G Minor</i> (Bandera)	Montclair State Chamber	2015
Soloist	"Um Mitternacht" (Mahler)	Montclair State Chamber	2015
Alto Soloist	<i>Magnificat</i> (M.A. Charpentier)	Montclair State Collegium	2014

Concerts and Recitals

Operatini: Rusalka - Concert with Opera Idaho at The Sapphire Room in Boise, ID on Thursday, April 13, 2023

Art Song Recital - Concert with Opera Idaho at Boise Philharmonic Hall in Boise, ID on Sunday, March 26, 2023

Emerging Artist Recital at U of I - Concert for Opera Idaho at University of Idaho's Administrative Auditorium in Moscow, ID on Tuesday, March 21, 2023

Emerging Artist Recital at BYU Idaho - Concert for Opera Idaho at BYU Idaho's Snow Recital Hall in Rexburg, ID on Wednesday, March 8, 2023.

Emerging Artist Recital at ISU - Concert for Opera Idaho at Idaho State University's Goranson Recital Hall in Pocatello, ID on Tuesday, March 7, 2023

Operatini: An American Dream - Concert with Opera Idaho at The Sapphire Room in Boise, ID on Thursday, February 23, 2023

Saint Alphonsus Festival of Trees - Concert with Opera Idaho at Boise Centre in Boise, ID on Saturday, November 26, 2022

Emerging Artist Recital at College of Idaho - Concert for Opera Idaho at the Langroise Center for Performing and Fine Arts in Caldwell, ID on Tuesday, November 29, 2022

Second Sunday Series - Concert with Opera Idaho at McCall Community Congregational Church in MicCall, Idaho on Sunday, October 9, 2022.

Opera in the Park - Concert with Pittsburgh Festival Opera at Schenley Park Plaza in Pittsburgh, PA on July 13, 2022

Showcase - Scenes Production with Pittsburgh Festival Opera at New Hazlett Theater in Pittsburgh, PA on July 8, 2022 and July 10, 2022

Divas After Dark Cabaret - Concert with Pittsburgh Festival Opera at New Hazlett Theater in Pittsburgh, PA on July 2, 2022

Sundays at the Opera - Concert with Indianapolis Opera at local residency in Indianapolis, IN on April 16, 2022

Sundays at the Opera - Concert with Indianapolis Opera at Barnes & Thornburg in Indianapolis, IN on April 10, 2022

Opera on the Move - Outreach concert with Indianapolis Opera at Magnolia Springs Southpointe in Indianapolis, IN on April 4, 2022

Opera on the Move - Outreach concert with Indianapolis Opera at North Willow Villas in Indianapolis, IN on March 30, 2022

Opera on the Move - Outreach concert with Indianapolis Opera at North Willow Assisted Living in Indianapolis, IN on March 23, 2022

Eve of Liberation: Highlights from *Vedem* - Concert with Indianapolis Opera at Indianapolis Artsgarden in Indianapolis, IN on March 2, 2022

Sundays at the Basille - Concert with Indianapolis Opera at the Basille Opera Center in Indianapolis, IN on September 27, 2021

Opera in the Park - Concert with Indianapolis Opera at Garfield Park in Indianapolis, IN on September 11, 2021

Master's Degree Recital - Sandra G. Powell Recital Hall at the University of Tennessee in Knoxville, TN on April 25, 2021

Marble City Opera - Preview Concert for premiere of opera *Royal Flush*, Virtual, Recorded in Knoxville, TN and released on March 4, 2021

Italian Classics - Concert with Knoxville Opera at the Fox Den Country Club in Knoxville, TN on January 9, 2021

Executive Women's Association - Concert with Knoxville Opera at the Tennessee Theatre in Knoxville, TN on November 12, 2020

Boo at the Zoo - Outreach Concert with Knoxville Opera at Knoxville Zoom in Knoxville, TN on October 24, 2020

Knoxville Opera for All - Outreach Recital with Knoxville Opera at Muse Knoxville in Knoxville, TN on October 30, 2020

Boo at the Zoo - Outreach Concert with Knoxville Opera at Knoxville Zoom in Knoxville, TN on October 9, 2020

Season Preview - Outreach Recital with Knoxville Opera at the Clayton Performing Arts Center at Pellissippi State Community College in Knoxville, TN on September 26, 2019

Season Preview - Outreach Recital with Knoxville Opera at Rarity Bay Country Club in Vonore, TN on September 20, 2019

Knoxville Opera Guild Recital - Outreach with the Knoxville Opera Studio in Knoxville, TN on September 12, 2019

Season Preview - Outreach Recital with Knoxville Opera at the Blount County Library in Maryville, TN on August 29, 2019

Guest Artist - Master's Degree Recital of soprano Mary Hochgesang at the Jed Leshowitz Recital Hall at Montclair State University in Montclair, NJ on May 15, 2017

From Classics to Contemporary - Outreach Recital with Opera Theatre of Montclair in Montclair, NJ on October 21, 2018

A Selection of Italian Favorites - Opera Theatre of Montclair outreach program hosted by the Casa Colombo Italian Educational and Cultural Center in Jersey City, NJ on May 20, 2018

Annual Board Meeting Concert - Temple Beth Am in Bayonne, NJ on April 29, 2018

Guest Artist - Bachelor Degree Recital of soprano Briana Kupper at the Jed Leshowitz Recital Hall at Montclair State University in Montclair, NJ on April 21, 2018

Scenes from Hansel and Hoffmann - Outreach Recital with Opera Theatre of Montclair at the Van Vleck Gardens on December 7, 2017

Guest Artist - Artist Diploma Recital of countertenor Andrew Darling at the Jed Leshowitz Recital Hall at Montclair State University in Montclair, NJ on May 15, 2017

Kaleidoscope 10th Anniversary Concert - Alexander Kasser Theatre at Montclair State University in Montclair, NJ on October 15, 2016

Opera Gala sponsored by Enrico Caruso Museum - New York City, NY - October 24, 2015

Gala celebrating Commendatore Aldo Mancusi and the legacy of Licia Albanese - New York Athletic Club in New York City, NY on October 17, 2015

An Afternoon of Opera and Musical Theatre Delights - Heritage Hills in Somers, NY on September 26, 2015

Opera Night honoring the memory of Maria Theresa Fauci - Columbus Citizens Foundation in New York City, NY on May 30, 2015

Guest Artist - Artist Diploma Recital of soprano Sujin Kang at the Jed Leshowitz Recital Hall at Montclair State University in Montclair, NJ on May 15, 2015

I Wear the Pants: An Exploration of Gender and Sexuality in the Mezzo-soprano repertoire - Senior Degree Recital at the Jed Leshowitz Recital Hall at Montclair State University in Montclair, NJ on April 18, 2015

Guest Artist - Master's Degree Recital of soprano Jessica Walch at the Jed Leshowitz Recital Hall at Montclair State University in Montclair, NJ on April 12, 2015

Guest Artist - Master's Degree Recital of conductor Lawrence C. Markiewicz at the Jed Leshowitz Recital Hall at Montclair State University in Montclair, NJ on January 24, 2015

Guest Artist - Bachelor Degree Recital of soprano Shelby Fite at the Jed Leshowitz Recital Hall at Montclair State University in Montclair, NJ on November 22, 2014

Guest Artist - Bachelor Degree Recital of soprano Andria Kwasnicki - Jed Leshowitz Recital Hall at Montclair State University in Montclair, NJ at the November 15, 2014

Junior Degree Recital - Jed Leshowitz Recital Hall at Montclair State University in Montclair, NJ on April 10, 2014

Kaleidoscope Concert - Alexander Kasser Theatre at Montclair State University in Montclair, NJ on October 12, 2013

Guest Artist - Artist Diploma Recital of soprano Dayeong Kang at the Jed Leshowitz Recital Hall at Montclair State University in Montclair, NJ on December 18, 2013

Invited Guest Artist, World Cultures Day - Outreach program for Charles J. Hudson Elementary in Elizabeth, NJ in May 2013

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World Premieres

Janis - *U-Hauling* with Black Sheep Contemporary Ensemble based in NYC, virtual premiere January 2022

Vocalist, librettist - "Diaspora poem" by Jonathan Simpson, scheduled to be premiered April 2020, canceled due to COVID-19

Vocalist - Montclair State New Music Ensemble recital at the Jed Leshowitz Recital Hall at Montclair State University in Montclair, NJ on May 9, 2015

- ▶ "Chambra" by Susanna Hancock (NYU Collaboration)
- ▶ "Are not" by Brendan Littlefield (NYU Collaboration)
- ▶ "River Stones" by Monte Weber (NYU Collaboration)

Vocalist - "Music when soft voices die" by Aeden McAvoy, premiered at the Jed Leshowitz Recital Hall at Montclair State University in Montclair, NJ on May 9, 2015

Mezzo-soprano Soloist - *Mass in G Minor* by Carlos Bandera, premiered at Our Lady of Mount Carmel in Montclair, NJ on March 21, 2015

Corrie - *Family Penalties*, a new opera by Gabriella Natale, premiered at the Jed Leshowitz Recital Hall at Montclair State University in Montclair, NJ on February 20, 2015

Vocalist - *Two Art Songs* by Michael Rosin, premiered at the Jed Leshowitz Recital Hall at Montclair State University in Montclair, NJ on May 3, 2014

- ▶ "Tired with All These"
- ▶ "Tell Me"

Vocalist - "Wharf Under Mountain" by Nicole DeMaio, premiered at the Jed Leshowitz Recital Hall at Montclair State University in Montclair, NJ on April 6, 2014

Vocalist - "Silence" by Gabriella Natale, premiered at Montclair State University in Montclair, NJ on February 11, 2014

Vocalist - "As Bell Tones Fade" by Nicole DeMaio, premiered at the Alexander Kasser Theatre at Montclair State University in Montclair, NJ on October 12, 2013

Vocalist - "A Plot of Demise" duet by Gabriella Natale (2012) premiered at the Jed Leshowitz Recital Hall at Montclair State University in Montclair, NJ on November 7, 2012

Selected Choral Experience

Requiem, Schnittke - Masterworks at St. Paul - May 2019

Mass in C Major, Schubert - Masterworks at St. Paul - May 2019

A Midsummer Night's Dream, Mendelssohn - Montclair State Prima Voce in collaboration with NJSO - January 2016

Messa di Requiem, Verdi - Montclair State University Chorale in collaboration with the New Jersey Symphony Orchestra - April 2014

The Legend of Zelda Symphony of the Goddess, Koji Kondo arr. Chad Seiter - Madison Square Garden in Collaboration with the St. Luke's Orchestra - November 2013

The Legend of the Zelda Symphony of the Goddess, Koji Kondo arr. Chad Seiter - NJPAC in collaboration with the New Jersey Symphony Orchestra - July 2013

Requiem in D minor, Mozart - Montclair State University Singers in collaboration with the New Jersey Symphony Orchestra - March 2013

A Ceremony of Carols, Britten - Montclair State Prima Voce in collaboration with the Richard Alston Dance Company - December 2012

Liturgical Positions

Alto Section leader	St. Paul's Episcopal - Westfield, NJ	2023-present
Alto - High Holy Days	North Shore Synagogue - Long Island, NY	2023
Substitute Cantor (eng/span.)	St. Andrew's Roman Catholic Church - Bayonne, NJ	2022-23
Substitute Cantor	St. Mary's Assumption Roman Catholic Church - Passaic, NJ	2022
Alto Scholarship Singer	Sequoyah Hills Presbyterian - Knoxville, TN - Andrew Skoog	2019-2021
Alto - High Holy Days	Temple B'nai Abraham - Livingston, NJ - Jessica Epstein	2020
Soprano Soloist	Temple B'nai Abraham - Livingston, NJ	2018-2019
Alto Section Leader	St. Peter's Episcopal - Mountain Lakes, NJ - Sal Lagattuta	2018-2019
Soprano Section Leader	St. Peter's Episcopal - Mountain Lakes, NJ	2016-2017
Alto Section Leader	Sacred Heart RC - Bloomfield, NJ - April Kuhr	2014-2015
Soprano Section Leader	St. Luke's Episcopal - Montclair, NJ - Charles Hunter	2012-2014
Soprano Section Leader	Paterson Diocese - Paterson, NJ - Paul Kusler	2011-2012

Additional Performance Experience

Audio/Visual Recordings

Perfect Harmony Project with Great American Songbook Foundation, March 2022 in Indianapolis, IN
"Somewhere Over the Rainbow"

Additional Training

Teachers

- ▶ Dr. Kimberly Roberts (2020-present)
- ▶ Lorraine DiSimone (2019 - 2020)
- ▶ Jeanne-Michele Charbonnet (2018 - 2019)
- ▶ Valerie Bernhardt (2011 - 2016)

Coaches

- ▶ Mary Pinto (2012 - present)
- ▶ Nate Salazar (2022)
- ▶ Susanna Lemberskaya (2022)
- ▶ Eileen Downey (2019 - present)
- ▶ Michael Roemer (2020-2021)
- ▶ Michael S. Caldwell (2019)

Directors

- ▶ Paul Houghtaling
- ▶ Kaley Karis Smith
- ▶ Andrew Nienaber
- ▶ Robert Neu
- ▶ Chuck Hudson
- ▶ Maria Todaro
- ▶ Matt Cooksey
- ▶ Scott Skiba
- ▶ Laura Alley
- ▶ James Marvel
- ▶ Brian Deedrick

- ▶ Soyeon Kim (2018)
- ▶ Hsuan-Wen Chen (2017)
- ▶ Dr. Crystal Baltazar (2017)
- ▶ Victoria Schwartzman (2016)
- ▶ Leann Overton (2014-2015)
- ▶ Brian Holman (2013)
- ▶ Kelly Crandell (2012)

Conductors

- ▶ Dr. Richard Masters
- ▶ Kelly Kuo
- ▶ Andy Anderson
- ▶ Carmine Aufiero
- ▶ Keith Chambers
- ▶ Alfred Savia
- ▶ Brian Salesky
- ▶ Dr. Kevin Class
- ▶ Fernando Palomeque
- ▶ Robert Butts
- ▶ Christian Capocaccia
- ▶ Jacques Lacombe
- ▶ Ken Lam
- ▶ Dr. Heather Buchanan

- ▶ David Dollase
- ▶ Nicholas Tamagna
- ▶ Jamie Baer Peterson
- ▶ Jeffrey Gall
- ▶ Julia Stewart

Masterclasses

- ▶ Peter Volpe - 2022
- ▶ Jane Dutton - 2022
- ▶ Angela Brown - 2021, 2022
- ▶ Benton Hess - 2021
- ▶ David Jones - 2019
- ▶ Dolores Ziegler - 2019
- ▶ Cori Ellison - 2018
- ▶ Mark Watson - 2017
- ▶ Ken Benson, Scott Barnes, Maestra Eve Queler, Barbara Ann Testa, and Arlene Shrut (Gerda Lissner Young Artists' Vocal Institute) - 2015
- ▶ Marian Stieber - 2015
- ▶ Carol Farley - 2015
- ▶ Michael Paul - 2014
- ▶ Susan Fleming - 2012

Training Programs

Opera Idaho - Fall 2022 - Spring 2023

Pittsburgh Festival Opera - Summer 2022

Indianapolis Opera - Fall 2021 - Spring 2022

Knoxville Opera Studio - Fall 2019 - Spring 2021

Johanna Meier Summer Opera Theatre - Summer 2013

Druid City Opera Workshop - Summer 2013

Philadelphia Boys Choir Summer Opera Camp - Summer 2012

Rutgers Summer Opera Camp - Summer 2010, 2011

Reviews

"Mezzo-soprano Cornelia Lotito did a remarkable job with the pants role of Stephano"

Alan Sherrod, *Arts Knoxville* - February 2020

"But without a strong Cinderella the production would falter. Fortunately Lotito's sweet face is matched by her clear, strong soprano. You could hear sighs in the audience when she shaped a strong note that lingered"

Gwen Orell, *Montclair Local* - September 2017

"Vocal honors Sunday afternoon fell to Karen Levandoski and Cornelia Lotito, superb choices, both."

Richard Carter, *Examiner.com* - February 2016

"Cornelia Lotito sang "Una voce poco fa" from Rossini's "Barber of Seville." Her flexible mezzo was rich in sound, had volume to spare and remarkable agility easily negotiating this Rossinian terrain."

Nino Pantano, *Brooklyn Daily Eagle* - October 2015

"Cornelia Lotito, mezzo soprano, sang "Parto, Parto" from "La Clemenza di Tito" with Mozartian agility and flair. Her encore, "Sexy Lady," (Moore) was a combination of Broadway brass entwined with Mozart melodies and was a revelation of her versatility."

Nino Pantano, *Brooklyn Daily Eagle* - June 2015

Awards and Competitions

Semi-finalist	Camille Coloratura Awards (Virtual)	2023
Rocky Mountain Regional Finalist	Metropolitan Opera Laffont Vocal Competition	2023
Winner - Idaho-Montana District	Metropolitan Opera Laffont Vocal Competition	2022
Semi-Finalist, live	Premiere Opera Competition	2022
Semi-Finalist, virtual	Premiere Opera Competition	2022
Finalist	SAS Performing Arts Vocal Competition	2022
Central Region Finalist	Metropolitan Opera Laffont Vocal Competition	2022
Winner - Indiana District	Metropolitan Opera Laffont Vocal Competition	2021
Semi-finalist	Premiere Opera Competition	2021
Finalist	SAS Performing Arts Vocal Competition	2021
Finalist - Artist Division	Camille Coloratura Awards	2021
Role Debut Award Winner	Piccola Opera - Opera Idol Competition	2021
Finalist - Professional Division	Camerata Bardi International Vocal Competition	2021
Encouragement Award - Tennessee District	Metropolitan Opera National Council Auditions	2021
Full Tuition Assistantship	University of Tennessee Knoxville	2019-2021
Undergraduate Excellence in Opera Award	Montclair State University	2018
Semi-finalist	NATS National Student Auditions	2016
Travel Award for 2016 NATS Nationals	Montclair State University	2016
1st Place - 4th/5th Year Women	NATS Eastern Region	2016
Semi-finalist - University Division	Classical Singer Competition	2016
Encouragement/Young Artist's Academy	Gerda Lissner Foundation	2015
Semi-Finalist - 4th/5th Year Women	NATS Eastern Region	2015
1st Place - 4th/5th Year Women	NATS NJ	2015

Skills, Certifications, and Memberships

Language Skills

- ▶ Spanish - intermediate reading and speaking level, 12 years of instruction spanning multiple levels
- ▶ French - advanced beginner reading and speaking level, 2 years French instruction at the high school and collegiate level
- ▶ German - advanced beginner reading and speaking level, 2 years German at the collegiate level
- ▶ Latin - advanced reading and written level, 3 years Latin at the collegiate level, 1 at the high school level
- ▶ Italian - beginner reading and speaking level, 1 year Italian at the collegiate level
- ▶ Training in Russian diction and repertoire under Professor Mark Pakman at Montclair State University

Technical Skills

- ▶ Web Design (copious prior freelance employment as a web designer for several small businesses and non-profit organizations) HTML, CSS, Javascript, JQuery etc.
- ▶ Microsoft Office, Google Suite, iWork suite
- ▶ Comfortable teaching online lessons through Zoom, Skype, Facetime, and Messenger, along with using Zencast and Jitsi to supplement these methods with better sound quality
- ▶ Canvas and Blackboard experience.

- ▶ Garageband and Logic Pro experience, particularly for studio projects involving music production.
- ▶ Adobe Creative Suite, used Photoshop, Illustrator, InDesign to create posters, recital programs, and other materials for the promotion of my studio as well as for other clients.
- ▶ Music notation software: used Notion, Finale, and Dorico to compose and arrange pieces for my students and teach them music theory basics through composition
- ▶ Comfortable using and directing the use of SoundJack for low-latency music collaboration.

Workshops, Certifications and Exams

- ▶ Responding to Student Writing Workshop, University of Tennessee Knoxville Writing Center, Nov 2020 - Jan 2021
- ▶ Praxis exam: Music and Content Knowledge, 2018 (score 178)
- ▶ LGBTQ+ Safe Space Certified at Montclair State University, 2012

Professional Memberships

- ▶ Pi Kappa Lambda - Music Honor Society, joined spring 2021
- ▶ National Association of Teachers of Singing - Student Member
- ▶ The Voice Foundation - Student Member