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### **Conducting Experience**

St. Thomas Aquinas University Parish	Boulder, CO	Assist. Music Director	2008-2010
Co-Cathedral of St. Thomas More	Tallahassee, FL	Assist. Music Director	2011-2013
First Pres. Church of New Vernon	New Vernon, NJ	Director of Sacred Music	2013-2016
St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church	Stirling, NJ	Director of Sacred Music	2016-current
Magnificat Singers	Stirling, NJ	Music Director/Conductor	2017-current

### **Choral Experience**

St. Olaf Choirs	Northfield, MN	Chorister	2005-2007
CU Boulder Opera Chorus	Boulder, CO	Chorister	2007-2009
Florida State Univ. Chamber Singers	Tallahassee, FL	Chorister	2011
Harmonium Choral Society	Morristown, NJ	Chorister/soloist	2013-2019
Riverside Choral Society	New York, NJ	Chorister/soloist	2019

### **Teaching Experience**

Graduate Teaching Assistant	Tallahassee, FL	Private voice instructor at FSU	2011-2013
Choral and vocal masterclasses	AK, CO, FL, NJ	Working with ensembles and soloists	2009-current
Private Voice Studio	Morristown, NJ	Private voice instructor	2013-current

### **Professional Singing Experience**

Professional Operatic Soprano	United States	Singer and actress	2009-current
Professional Oratorio Soloist	United States	Soloist specializing in classical sacred music	2009-current
Musical Theater	United States	Singer and actress	2009-current

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on professional singing career and  
experience

### **Outreach**

FSU Opera Outreach	Tallahassee, FL	Traveling performances for thousands of children	2013
Sunrise and Juniper Senior Living	New Jersey	Frequent performer for senior citizens	2013-2015
Fargo-Moorhead Opera Outreach	Fargo, ND	Traveling performances for thousands of children	2016
Performing Arts Society	Kenai, AK	Guest performer for high school classes	2017

### **Other Skills and Experience**

Piano proficiency		20+ years of piano/accompanying	Current
Assistant with Choir at Drew University	Madison, NJ	Assistant conductor, singer	2020-current

### **Education**

St. Olaf College	Northfield, MN	Bachelor of Music in Voice Performance	2005-2007
Univ. of Colorado, Boulder	Boulder, CO	Bachelor of Music in Voice Performance	2007-2009
Florida State University	Tallahassee, FL	Master of Music in Voice Performance	2011-2013
Private Conducting Lessons	New York, NY	Dr. Matthew Webb	2020-current
OperaWorks	Los Angeles, CA	Advanced Artist Program	2015
Fargo-Moorhead Opera Young Artist	Fargo, ND	Gate City Bank Young Artist Program	2016
Private Vocal Study (Trish McCaffrey)	New York, NY	Private student	2011-current

## Conducting Repertoire

### Christmas Season

E'en so, Lord Jesus Quickly Come (Paul Manz)  
Comfort, Comfort (arr. John Ferguson)  
Ave Maria (Franz Biebl)  
Hodie Christus Natus Est (F. Poulenc)  
Bright, Bright, the Holly Berries (Alfred Burt)  
Bethlehem Down (Peter Warlock)  
A Hymn to the Virgin (Benjamin Britten)  
Ding Dong! Merrily on High (arr. Carolyn Jennings)  
Today the Virgin (John Tavener)  
My Lord Has Come (Will Todd)  
The Word Was God (Rosephanye Powell)  
Lux Arumque (Eric Whitacre)  
The Holly and the Ivy (arr. Ola Gjeilo)  
Hark! The Herald Angel Sing (arr. Julian Wachner)  
Alleluia (Randall Thomson)  
O Magnum Mysterium (Vittoria)  
Lift Thine Eyes to the Mountain (Mendelssohn)  
Angel's Carol (John Rutter)  
Gabriel's Message (arr. Alexander Craig)

### Lent Season

Miserere Mei (Allegrì)  
Popule meus (Vittoria)  
Hear My Prayer (Purcell)  
God So Loved the World (Stainer)  
Tenebrae Factae Sunt (Michael Haydn)  
Phoenix/Agnus Dei (Gjeilo)  
Ubi Caritas (Gjeilo)  
Ubi Caritas (Durufle)  
Responsaries for Tenebrae on Holy Thursday (Healy Willan)  
Ave Verum Corpus (Mozart)

### Other Repertoire

O Salutaris Hostia (Eriks Esenvalds)  
Nunc Dimittis (Alexander Gretchaninov)  
Stay With Us (Egil Hovland)  
Hallelujah, from *Christ on the Mount of Olives* (Beethoven)  
I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say (arr. Staheli)  
Set me as a Seal (Rene Clausen)  
Bogorodiste Dyevo (Rachmaninoff)  
I have longed (Byrd)

### Other Conducting Experience/Rehearsal Repertoire

*Messiah*, Handel (score study, rehearsal conductor with Masterwork Camerata, 2015)  
*Gloria*, Vivaldi (score study, rehearsal conductor with Masterwork Camerata, 2015)  
*Requiem*, Mozart (score study)  
*Rejoice in the Lamb*, Britten (score study and private lessons)