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## Education

Doctor of Music in Vocal Performance and Literature  
Minor Fields: Music History  
Choral Conducting and College Pedagogy  
2006 Indiana University Bloomington, Indiana

Master of Music in Voice Performance  
Cognate Field: Choral Conducting  
2002 Indiana University Bloomington, Indiana

Bachelor of Music in Voice Performance  
Minor Field: Theatre/Stage Direction  
2000 Millikin University Decatur, Illinois

Voice Teachers Choral Conducting Studies  
John De Haan Dr. William Jon Gray  
Carlos Montané Dr. Brad Holmes  
Kathryn Hartgrove  
Ruth Lindstrom

## Teaching

2016-Present Minnesota State University, Mankato Mankato, Minnesota  
Assistant Professor of Voice and Choir

- Teach applied voice lessons to music majors and minors
- Hold weekly studio classes
- Conduct the University Chorale (SATB)
- Teach Lyric Diction, Vocal Literature, and Class Voice
- Coordinate the Upper Level Assessment
- Attend department, assigned committee, and area meetings
- Participate in student auditions, recitals, juries, and hearings
- Represent the college and department at conventions
- Visit area and outstate high schools to conduct masterclasses for recruiting.

2015-2016 Augustana College Rock Island, Illinois  
Visiting Assistant Professor of Voice and Choir

- Taught applied voice lessons to major and non-major students
- Conducted the Wennerberg Chorus (TTBB)
- Taught Aural Skills, Vocal Pedagogy Practicum, and Music Appreciation
- Attended faculty, department, and area meetings
- Participated in student auditions, recitals, juries, and hearings
- Represented the college and department at conventions

2010 – 2015 McNally Smith College of Music St. Paul, Minnesota  
Adjunct Professor of Voice

- Taught major and non-major Voice Students
- Attended faculty meetings
- Coordinated student recitals and juries
- Accompanied students in vocalises and repertoire

2005-2015 Private Studio Teaching Minneapolis, Minnesota  
Voice Teacher

- Private instruction/coaching for a small studio of adult students

2011 Dar Al-Kalima College Bethlehem, West Bank  
Voice Teacher

- Private instruction/coaching for voice students during summer session

## Leadership

2017-Present Apollo Club Minneapolis, Minnesota  
Artistic Director and Principal Conductor

- Conduct weekly rehearsals and performances
- Chair the Artistic Operations Committee where all programming and artistic decisions are made collaboratively.

June 2016 National Association of Teachers of Singing Jacksonville, Florida  
Intern Program

- Selected as one of twelve interns to spend two weeks in an intensive and transformative intern program studying with master teachers, James Doing, Julie Simson, Jeanie Lovetri, and Stephen King.

2005 – 2015 Cantus Minneapolis, Minnesota  
Singer, Artistic Council, and Tour Manager

- Sang more than 750 concerts over a decade in national and international venues including The Kennedy Center, Lincoln Center, The Metropolitan Museum of Art, The Lied Center, Houston Friends of Music, Cal Performances, Trinity Wall Street, Vail Valley Music Festival, and The Library of Congress
- Collaborators included: Boston Pops, The Philadelphia Orchestra, Anne-Marie McDermott, Bobby McFerrin, Theatre Latte Da, St. Paul Chamber Orchestra, Minnesota Orchestra, the James Sewell Ballet, and Trio Medieval
- Commissioned and premiered works by Lee Hoiby, Nico Muhly, Sarah Kirkland Snider, Edie Hill, Stephen Sametz, Mary Ellen Childs, Eric Ewazen, Robert Kyr, Rosephanye Powell, Byron Adams and Mohammed Fairouz
- Made routine appearances on local and national media outlets
- Recorded media programs and albums annually
- Planned and coordinate travel, tour logistics, and merchandise with venues and presenters
- Served as Artist in Residence for a rural, suburban, and urban high school for each academic year

2005-2015 Cantus Minneapolis, Minnesota  
Artistic Council: Communications Facilitator

- One of three artists elected to serve as the leadership body for the chamber ensemble by empowering the abilities of all employees
- Worked with high school, community, and college choirs in masterclasses reaching thousands of singers/students each year
- Served as point of contact for all press interviews
- Along with other musicians, planned all programs for the concert season

2004-2005 St. Charles School Bloomington, Indiana  
Vocal Assistant

- Led sectionals and provided group private instruction for boys ages 11-15

2003-2005 Columbus Indiana Philharmonic Columbus, Indiana  
Choral Contractor

- Recruited and contracted singers for the Columbus Indiana Philharmonic symphony chorus

1996 – 1999 Millikin University Decatur, Illinois  
Co-Founder and Student Director: Millikin Opera Outreach

- Along with former Dean Stephen Fiol, founded and developed an opera puppet theatre outreach program aimed at educating inner-city children about opera
- Over the course of two years the program received over \$25,000 in funding from the Illinois Arts Council

## Scholarship, Clinics, and Evaluation

Andreas Research Grant

Summer 2018      Minnesota State University, Mankato      Mankato, Minnesota

- *Awarded a research grant from the College of Arts and Humanities to study Voce Vista to learn how to better integrate the software into my teaching of classical and commercial students*

Music Publishing

February 2018      Carl Fischer Music      New York, New York

- *Arrangement of "Sweet By and By" published by Carl Fischer in both SATB and TTBB voicings*

Masterclass

February 2018      Western Michigan University      Kalamazoo, Michigan

- *Presented a masterclass for undergraduate vocal performance students in Kalamazoo*

Clinician

February 2018      Metro-West Treble Choir Festival      Bloomington, Minnesota

- *Worked as a clinician in a full-day workshop with treble ensembles from eight west-metro schools*

Clinician

February 2018      South-Suburban Choral Festival      Prior Lake, Minnesota

- *Worked as a clinician in a full-day workshop with a variety of ensembles from ten south-metro schools*

Adjudicator

2017      Minnesota High School League      Minnesota

- *Adjudicated two small and one large group contest*

Adjudicator

May 2017      Music in the Parks      Shakopee, Minnesota

- *Adjudicated choirs for three festival days from Minnesota and the Midwest*

Adjudicator

2017      Minnesota High School League      Minnesota

- *Adjudicated four small and one large group contest in regions 1, A 2A, and 6AA*

Clinician

October 2016      NATS Central Division      Iowa City, Iowa

- *Presentation: What's Next: A survey of perceived skill sets among professional teachers of singing and singers and an action plan for current teachers of undergraduate singers*

Adjudicator  
July 2016                      National Assoc of Teachers of Singing      Chicago, Illinois

- Adjudicated Collegiate Semifinal Classical Singers

Clinician  
March 2016                      ACDA Southern Division                      Chattanooga, Tennessee

- Presentation/Forum *How Collegiate Applied Voice Programs Can Better Serve Choral Directors in the 21st Century*

Adjudicator  
October 2015                      Illinois Music Educators Association      Rockton, Illinois

- Adjudicated senior division skills/musicianship for the All State Choir

Lecture  
October 2014                      St. Olaf College                                      Northfield, Minnesota

- Spoke to the members of the student chapter of the National Association of Teachers of Singing about life as a professional musician and finding time to remain active and relevant as a voice teacher

Clinician  
October 2014                      Kansas City Community College Choir      Kansas City, Kansas

- Conducted a masterclass for the choir

Clinician  
July 2014                              National Assoc of Teachers of Singing      Boston, Massachusetts

- Headlined a large forum, *From Boys to Men: Keeping Men Singing Into Adulthood*

Adjudicator  
July 2014                              National Assoc of Teachers of Singing      Boston, Massachusetts

- Provided feedback and adjudicated High School Musical Theatre Men Semifinals and Classical High School Voice Finals

Clinician  
February 2014                      Minnesota Music Educators Assoc              Minneapolis, Minnesota

- Presented a clinic on implementing chamber music in vocal repertoire

Clinician  
October 2013                      Central Dakota Children's Choir              Bismarck, North Dakota

- Conducted a masterclass for an ensemble of young singers

Clinician  
February 2012                      Ohio Music Education Association              Columbus, Ohio

- Presented a clinic on the *Mechanics of the Male Voice* and *Voice Building for the Male Chorus*

Adjudicator for Palestinian Idol

July 2011                      Bright Stars/American Consulate                      Bethlehem, Palestine

- Evaluated and gave live feedback to young people in a talent competition in East Jerusalem and Bethlehem. The event was broadcast throughout the Arab world

Adjudicator for Minnesota Varsity

February 2011                      Minnesota Public Radio                      St. Paul, Minnesota

- Evaluated entries of high school students from throughout all of Minnesota

Clinician/Guest Conductor

February 2011                      St. Paul Conservatory                      St. Paul, Minnesota

- Served as clinician and conductor for choirs attending choral festival in St. Paul

Clinician

February 2011                      University of St. Thomas                      St. Paul, Minnesota

- Guest Clinician for the Liturgical Choir

Clinician/Adjudicator

2010-Present                      Minnesota High School League                      St. Paul, Minnesota

- Adjudicator for small and large group contest and Solo and Ensemble

Choral Workshop Clinician

2004                      St. Alban's Episcopal Church                      Indianapolis, Indiana

- Worked with the choir on vocal and musical issues in preparation for a choral evensong

## Performance

### Choral Music

March 2018                      True Concord                      Tucson, Arizona

Tenor

- Contracted singer and soloist for an evening of music set to the text of Emily Dickinson, including a premier by composer Gerald Near

January 2018                      South Dakota Chorale                      Sioux Falls, South Dakota

Tenor

- Contracted singer and soloist for a program of Baltic Choral Repertoire

October 2017                      True Concord                      Tucson, Arizona

Tenor

- Contracted singer and soloist for a program of British Choral Repertoire

- May 2017                      The Northstar Consort                      Minneapolis, Minnesota  
 Tenor
- Contracted singer for a program of English Repertoire
- January 2017                      True Concord                      Tucson, Arizona  
 Tenor
- Contracted singer for Mendelssohn's *Elijah*
- December 2016                      Santa Fe Desert Chorale                      Santa Fe, New Mexico  
 Tenor
- Contracted singer and soloist for 2016 Winter Season
- October 2016                      South Dakota Chorale                      Sioux Falls, South Dakota  
 Tenor
- Contracted singer for 2016 Fall Season
- 2012 – 2015                      Minnesota Compline Choir                      Minneapolis, Minnesota  
 Artistic Director
- Programmed, rehearsed, and conducted all Psalms and Anthems for biweekly Compline services

## Oratorio

Tenor Soloist

Handel: *Messiah*

May 2017

Phipps Center

Hudson, Wisconsin

Tenor Soloist

*Holiday Highlights*

December 2016

Mankato Symphony Orchestra

Mankato, Minnesota

Tenor Soloist

Bancks: *A Song for St. Cecilia's Day* and Mahler: *Rückert-Lieder*

May 2016

Augustana College Orchestra

Rock Island, Illinois

Tenor Soloist

Bruckner: *Requiem*

March 2016

McDonough Choral Society

Macomb, Illinois

Tenor Soloist

*Bach and Barber, BWV 37 and Three Songs Opus 45*

October 2015

Tippecanoe Chamber Music Society

Lafayette, Indiana

Tenor Soloist	Schubert: <i>Mass in G</i>		
April 2013	University of St. Thomas		St. Paul, Minnesota
Tenor Soloist	Monteverdi, Old English Repertoire		
February 2012	Hymnus		Hopkins, Minnesota
Tenor Soloist	Bach (Hoffmann): <i>BWV 189</i>		
November 2010	University of Minnesota		Minneapolis, Minnesota
Tenor Soloist	Weill: <i>The Seven Deadly Sins</i>		
May 2010	St. Paul Chamber Orchestra		St. Paul, Minnesota
Tenor Soloist	Bach: <i>BWV 73, BWV 135</i>		
May 2010	University of Minnesota		Minneapolis, Minnesota
Tenor Soloist	<i>2007 Holiday Pops Tour</i>		
December 2007	Boston Pops		National Tour
Tenor Soloist	<i>All is Calm</i> (Premier)		
December 2007	Theatre Latté Da		Minneapolis, Minnesota
Tenor Soloist	Mozart: <i>Freimaurerkantate</i>		
March 2006	St. Paul Chamber Orchestra		St. Paul, Minnesota
Tenor Soloist	<i>Cantus and Carols</i>		
December 2005	St. Paul Chamber Orchestra		St. Paul, Minnesota
Tenor Soloist	Gounod: <i>Messe Solenne</i>		
May 2005	St. Mary's Parish Church		Ridgefield, Connecticut
Tenor Soloist	Schubert: <i>Mass in G</i>		
April 2005	Columbus Indiana Philharmonic		Columbus, Indiana
Tenor Soloist	Handel: <i>Israel in Egypt</i>		
April 2004	Columbus Indiana Philharmonic		Columbus, Indiana



Tenor Soloist Mozart: <i>Requiem</i> April 2004	First Presbyterian Church	Columbus, Indiana
Tenor Soloist Handel: <i>Messiah</i> December 2003	First Methodist Church	Columbus, Indiana
Tenor Soloist March 2005: November 2004: March 2004: March 2003: January 2003: November 2002: 2002-2005	Buxtehude: <i>Membra Jesu Nostris</i> Bach: Cantata 140 <i>Wachet Auf</i> Mendelssohn: <i>Aus Tiefer Not</i> Jan Bender: <i>St. Mark's Passion</i> Bach: <i>Jesu Meine Freude</i> Bach: <i>Jesu Meine Freude</i> (BWV 229) Kantorei	Fort Wayne, Indiana
Tenor Soloist Schumann: <i>Der Rose Pilgerfahrt</i> February 2003	Indiana University	Bloomington, Indiana
Tenor Soloist Schubert: <i>Mass in G</i> Mendelssohn: <i>Lobgesang</i> May 2002	St. Mary's Parish Church	Ridgefield, Connecticut
Tenor 2002-2003	Pro Arte	Bloomington, Indiana
 <b>Opera</b>		
Tony: <i>West Side Story</i> 2016	Mankato Symphony Orchestra	Mankato, Minnesota
<i>Test Pilot: A Dance Opera</i> 2016	Minnesota Tour	St. Paul, Minnesota
Lensky: <i>Eugene Onegin</i> 2009	Russians Seasons	St. Paul, Minnesota
Harlequin: <i>Der Kaiser von Atlantis</i> 2005	Indiana University Opera Studio	Bloomington, Indiana
The Impresario: <i>Der Schauspieldirektor</i> 2004	Bloomington Music Works	Bloomington, Indiana

Pedrilla: *Die Entführung Aus Dem Serail* Bloomington, Indiana  
2003 Indiana University Opera Theater

## Recital and Concert

Tenor Soloist

*A Night of German Lieder*

July 2018 Morgan Creek Winery New Ulm, Minnesota

*Faculty Recital*

April 2018 Minnesota State University, Mankato Mankato, Minnesota

*Songs of Devotion: Music of Dvorák, Burleigh, Thiman, Honegger, and Mendelssohn*  
February 2018 Cathedral of St. Augustine Kalamazoo, Michigan

Tchaikovsky: *1812 Overture*

April 2017 MSU Wind Ensemble Mankato, Minnesota

Tenor Soloist

Bach BWV 61: *Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland*

December 2016 Saints Peter and Paul Church Mankato, Minnesota

Percy Aldridge Grainger: *Lincolnshire Posy*

November 2016 MSU Wind Ensemble Mankato, Minnesota

*Gas Light Chamber Music Series Songs of Turina and Schreker*

March 2016 Cincinnati Fusion Ensemble Cincinnati, Ohio

*A Three Tenors Christmas*

December 2015 Fireside Theater Chanhassen, Minnesota

Turina, Barber, and Faure

October 2015 Natalie Davis Rooke Recital Hall Lewisburg, Pennsylvania

Turina, Barber, and Faure

October 2015 Wallenburg Recital Hall Rock Island, Illinois

Schumann: *Dichterliebe*

May 2012 Mindekirken Minneapolis, Minnesota

Reuter: *Epitaph für einen Dichter*

November 2010 University of Minnesota Minneapolis, Minnesota

Music of Lehar and Strauss

July 2008 Voices of Vienna St. Paul, Minnesota

Music of the American Concert Stage  
July 2007                      Cantus in Recital                      Minneapolis, Minnesota

The American Concert Song  
November 2006              Indiana University                      Bloomington, Indiana

American Music, Billings to Barber  
May 2005                      Indiana University                      Bloomington, Indiana

Qualifying Recital Doctor of Music  
April 2004                      Indiana University                      Bloomington, Indiana

Qualifying Recitals MM  
2002-2003                      Indiana University                      Bloomington, Indiana

Alumni Recital  
2002                              Millikin University                      Decatur, Illinois

Qualifying Recitals BM  
1999-2000                      Millikin University                      Decatur, Illinois

## Liturgical Music

2010 – Present              Church of the Assumption              St. Paul, Minnesota  
Cantor

- Lead congregational singing for regular masses and feast days

2005-2011                      Church of Saint Michael                      Stillwater, Minnesota  
Assistant to Choirmaster, Cantor

- Cantored for weekly masses, feast days, and special services
- Conducted Children's and Adult choirs as needed
- Led two to three vocal workshops a year for children and adults

2000-2005                      St. Paul United Methodist Church              Bloomington, Indiana  
Director of Music

- Planned service music and supervised musical life of the church
- Rehearsed and conducted Chancel and Children's Choir
- Contracted Vocal Soloists/Instrumentalists for Concert Performances

1998 – 2000                      Westminster Presbyterian Church              Decatur, Illinois  
Student Director

- Rehearsed and conducted the approximately 40-voice choir, organist and/or chamber ensemble when the director was not able to attend
- Assistant directed the church and community-based hand bell choirs

## Recordings and Media

### Albums and Anthologies

*A Harvest Home*

2014 Cantus Recordings Minneapolis, Minnesota

*Song of a Czech: Dvorák and Janáček for Men's Voices*

2013 Cantus Recordings Minneapolis, Minnesota

*On the Shoulders of Giants*

2012 Cantus Recordings Minneapolis, Minnesota

*Christmas with Cantus*

2011 Cantus Recordings Minneapolis, Minnesota

*Minnesota Beatle Project Volume 3*

2011 Vega Productions Minneapolis, Minnesota

*That Eternal Day*

2010 Cantus Recordings Minneapolis, Minnesota

*Out of the Box*

2009 Cantus Recordings Minneapolis, Minnesota

*All is Calm: The Christmas Truce of 1914*

2008 Cantus Recordings Minneapolis, Minnesota

*While You Are Alive*

2008 Cantus Recordings Minneapolis, Minnesota

*Cantus*

2007 Cantus Recordings Minneapolis, Minnesota

*Cantus Live Volume 2*

2006 Cantus Recordings Minneapolis, Minnesota

### Radio and Television

*Backstage Pass with Cantus*

2015 WXXI Rochester, NY

*Live In Studio*

2014 WFMT Chicago, Illinois

*Café Concert*

2014 WQRX New York, New York

<i>Almanac</i> 2011-2015	Twin Cities Public Television	St. Paul, Minnesota
<i>Tiny Desk Concert</i> 2012	National Public Radio	Washington, D.C.
<i>Music for the Millennium</i> 2012, 2013, 2014	Sirius XM Radio	Washington, D.C.
<i>Live in Studio with David Rutherford</i> 2012	Colorado Public Radio	Denver, Colorado
<i>Thanksgiving with Cantus</i> 2011-2014	American Public Media	St. Paul, Minnesota
<i>MN Original</i> 2011	Twin Cities Public Television	St. Paul, Minnesota
<i>Performance Today/Minnesota Public Radio Artist in Residence</i> 2010-2011	American Public Media	St. Paul, Minnesota
<i>Never Stop Singing</i> 2009	Twin Cities Public Television	St. Paul, Minnesota
<i>All is Calm: The Christmas Truce of 1914</i> 2007-2008	American Public Media European Broadcasting Union	St. Paul, Minnesota Geneva, Switzerland
<i>Midmorning with Kerri Miller</i> 2007	Minnesota Public Radio	St. Paul, Minnesota
<i>Christmas With Cantus</i> 2007	American Public Media European Broadcasting Union	St. Paul, Minnesota Geneva, Switzerland
Studio Tenor 2003-2005	Airborne Studios	Indianapolis, Indiana
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sang in numerous ensemble configurations for a variety of clients including Hal Leonard, Schirmer, Boosey &amp; Hawkes, Lorenz, and Beckenhurst Press</li> </ul>	

## Other Leadership Experience

Financial Assistance Counselor (Graduate Assistant) Office of Student Financial Assistance 2001 – 2005	Indiana University	Bloomington, Indiana
Assistant Costumer Summer 1999	Millikin University Summer Stock	Decatur, Illinois
Stitcher 1996 – 1999	Millikin University Costume Shop	Decatur, Illinois

## Awards and Affiliations

College Music Society  
National Association of Teachers of Singing (NATS)  
American Choral Directors Association (ACDA)  
Member of the Recording Academy (Grammy)  
Alpha Lambda Delta (Inducted 1996)  
Phi Kappa Phi (Inducted 1998)  
Pi Kappa Lambda (Inducted 2000)  
Graduate Assistantship, Mendal Opera Scholarship Indiana University  
Millikin University Undergraduate Research Fellowship 1997, 1998, and 1999.

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*Student references available upon request*