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# Soprano

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## Education

University of Illinois	Master of Music	1990
Ithaca College	Bachelor of Music	1988

## Teaching

### Vokes Vocal Studio

**Self Owned/Operated:** Private vocal instruction and theatrical coaching to graduated students from local colleges, schools and adults. (9/90 - present)

### Creative Music Studios

**Instructor:** Private piano and vocal instruction. Preparatory work with high school students preparing to audition for colleges and universities in acting and musical theater. (2/06 - present)

### Ithaca College School of Music

**Instructor/Lecturer:** Sabbatical replacement in private studio (1/97 - 3/97)

**Visiting Artist:** Studio Master Class (10/96)

**Assistant Professor:** Sabbatical replacement in private vocal performance studies. Included auditioning and adjudicating. (2/96 - one week replacement) & (8/94 - 12/94)

**Assistant Professor:** Sabbatical replacement in private vocal performance studies. Included auditioning and adjudicating. (8/92 - 12/92)

### Fairport High School (NYS)

**Visiting Artist:** Vocal diction, body movement and character analysis work with students preparing to audition for colleges and universities in acting, musical theater and voice performance. (9/91 - 11/91)

### University of Illinois

**Teaching Assistantship:** Private vocal instruction. Assistance given to major teachers in auditioning and adjudicating undergraduate voice students. (8/89 - 8/90)

## Performance Experience

### First Congregational Church of New Milford, CT

**Soprano Soloist:** Soloist for special services, and director of and performer with a *cappella* quartet. (1/04 - present)

### Vokes Walker Studios, CT

**Voice Over Talent:** Provide voice overs for various local companies. (8/04 - present)

### VokesWalker Duo, CT

**Leading Artist:** Live and recording artist for percussion (marimba, vibes, piano) and vocal duo. (5/98 - present)

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## Performance Experience - continued

### Merryall Arts Festival, CT

#### Leading Artist: (with VokesWalker Duo)

Concerts with musical styles ranging from baroque to jazz.  
(2002 & 2004 seasons)

### Divas of Soul Festival, CT

**Leading Artist:** Main event singer performing music from classic to modern jazz and gospel.  
(10/03)

### Footsteps Theatre, Inc., Chicago, IL

**Leading Artist:** Summer concert series.  
(6/97 - 8/97)

## ROLES PERFORMED

The Merry Widow	Valencienne	Ithaca Opera Assoc.	1996
Carmen	Micaela	Burro Productions	1996
Die Fledermaus	Rosalinda	Ithaca Opera Assoc.	1994 & 1995
Le Comte Ory	Alice	Glimmerglass Opera	1993
Cosi fan tutte	Fiordiligi	Tulsa Opera	1992
Die Zauberflöte	Erste Dame	Tulsa Opera	1991
Cosi fan tutte	Fiordiligi	Illinois Opera	1990
La Rondine	Cantore	Illinois Opera	1989
Die Zauberflöte	Erste Dame	Opera in the Ozarks	1989
The Village Singer	Candace Whitcomb	Opera in the Ozarks	1989
The Turn of the Screw	The Governess	Ithaca Opera	1988
Cosi fan tutte	Fiordiligi	Ithaca Opera	1987

## AWARDS

Friederich Schorr Competition	Quarter Finalist	Adrian, MI	1996 & 1993
Florida Grand Opera	Winner/Endowment	Miami Beach, FL	1995
NATSA	Winner	Finger Lakes Region	1995
NOA/Marjorie Gordon Award	Winner	Toronto, Ont., Canada	1994
Richard Tucker/Stuart Jacobson Award	Finalist	NYC, NY	1994
NATS Regional Competition	Second Place	NYC, NY	1994
St. Louis Symphony/Women's Guild	Finalist	St. Louis, MO	1989

## ORATORIO

Soprano Soloist - Symphony 9, 4th mvmt.	Beethoven	Norwich Symphony, NY	1994
Wachet auf	Buxtehude	Rochester Festival, NY	1992
Soprano Soloist - Elijah	Mendelssohn	Champaign Symphony, IL	1990
Soprano Soloist - The Messiah	Handel	Champaign Symphony, IL	1989