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#### Education

Boston University — B. M. (Music Education), magna cum laude, 3.6 GPA, Presser Scholar

Boston University — M. M. (Music Education), 3.9 GPA

2008

## **General Music Teaching Experience**

Norwood High School, Norwood, MA - Music Teacher

2007-2015

- Teach and develop curriculum for music electives, including Music Theory AP and Music History & Appreciation
- Collaborate with colleagues on school-wide and independently created initiatives, as well as curriculum mapping
- Cooperating practitioner for 4 student teachers

Hopkinton Middle School, Hopkinton, MA - Music Teacher

2003 - 2007

- Restructured choral offerings and curriculum to meet needs of students, created piano curriculum
- Developed and implemented curriculum for grade-based general music classes

#### **Choral Conducting Experience**

MA Central District Senior Festival, Conductor

2017

Choral Clinician, Adjudicator

2003 - Present

The Charles River Chorale

2015 - Present

Mixed-voice community choir

King Philip Regional High School

2015 - Present

· Direct 2 choirs

Norwood High School, Norwood, MA - Music Teacher

2007-2015

- Direct 7+ choirs, 25 Gold Medal Performances at MICCA since 2007, unprecedented acceptances into district/state/regional choirs, increased gender balance to 50/50
- Restructured choral offerings and curriculum to meet needs of students
- Organized trips, fund-raising, student recitals, annual concerts, musicals, and summer retreats
- Built positive relationships with the Parent Music Association, faculty, administration, and maintain strong connections with alumni and the greater Norwood community

Hopkinton Middle School, Hopkinton, MA – Music Teacher

2003 - 2007

- Directed 5 choirs, 2 Gold Medals at MICCA, unprecedented acceptances into Jr. Districts Chorus
- Created and directed a faculty choir; initiated and produced an annual faculty talent show fundraiser, and annual concerts

#### **Business/Studio Owner**

Ashley Nelson Music Studio

Voice, piano, theory, songwriting
 2015 - Present

• Students ages 8 - adult

Solo Vocal Clinician/Adjudicator 2003 — Present

## **Administrative Experience**

ACDA - Membership Chair

2015 - Present

- · Communicate with prospective, new, current, and former members
- Oversee the MA chapter of the annual Sing-Up! Membership Drive

MICCA – Choral Festival Chairperson (Asst. 2004 – 2011)

2011 - 2016

- · Organize all materials for and oversee the site management at two locations for the three-day festival
- · Oversee the hiring of adjudicators and their hotel and travel arrangements
- Organize online group registrations, PO's, and correspondences for the 90 participating ensembles

Day Jams Summer Music Camp, Medford, MA – Director of Recreational Activities 2011 MMEA – All State Chorus Manager (Asst. 2009) 2008

## Composing/Arranging/Production Experience

- Choral Arrangements Santa Barbara Music Publishing, Inc.
- · "In My Room" (9 Track Album Songwriter, Producer, Performer) Ashley Nelson Music Productions
- "Ocean View" (12 Track Album Producer & Arranger) Boston University Terpsichore

# **Organizations**

NAfME – Member, MMEA Chorus Manager, Clinician, Published, Conference Attendee	2004 – Present
ACDA - Member, Chairperson, Easter Division Chaperone, Conference Attendee	2007 - Present
ASCAP - Member, Publisher, Arranger/Composer	2004 - Present
SAG – Voice Actor, Recording Artist	1989 – 1994