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# Education and Awards

Columbia University Teachers College, New York City, NY **Doctor of Music and Music Education in College Teaching** – 2024 estimated completion **Master of Music Education** – 2023 estimated completion

- Florence K. Geffen Scholar
- Teachers College Music Program Scholarship

University of Cincinnati College-Conservatory of Music, Cincinnati, OH Master of Music – Vocal Performance, 2006

- University Graduate Scholarship
- Master's thesis: "Schubert's Original Eichendorff Liederkreis Der Frohe Wanderer"

Butler University, Indianapolis, IN

Bachelor of Arts - Music, Vocal Performance, 2004

- Undergraduate Performance Scholarship
- Three years of music education curriculum and K-12 pedagogy classes, independent conducting studies under Henry Leck and Cheryl West with Indianapolis Children's Choir and Indianapolis Youth Chorale

# Work Experience

# Professional Conducting

Young Professionals Choral Collective, Cincinnati, OH **Artistic Director** (2020-present)

- Grew annual budget nearly 80% from start of employment to present
- Facilitated partnerships and collaborations that raised the artistry, profile, budget, and experience factors for the organization and its singers with a commitment to diversity and inclusion
- Advise and direct grants, partnership, and sponsorship opportunities toward diverse forms of funding
- Work with Executive Director and Head of Design to clearly share stories, events, and organization brand internally, locally, and beyond the region
- Create engaging and inclusive online experiences for singers and patrons as well as safe, in-person content and performances during COVID-19 and beyond
- Commission new works each season that are relevant to the lives and experiences of our singers and audience while embracing new methods of music making and amplifying the voices of diverse artists
  - O Premiers and commissions completed under my tenure: Light Triptych, Jacob Stone; After, Abbie Betinis, for chorus with pre-recorded voice effects, When You are Old and Gray, and Skin by Mari Valverde; Requiem for Victims of a Pandemic, Yvonne Freckman, a multi-movement work with chamber orchestra, 25 for 25: A Time for New Music, Untamed, by Joanna McDonald, featuring ASL interpreter, dancers, percussion, mezzo, piano and chorus only the second piece in the country commissioned which centers a Deaf and Hard of Hearing audience. Upcoming: Zanaida Robles ('23) and Shireen Abu-Khader ('24).
- Participate in consortiums, conferences, and festivals to raise the national profile of the ensemble

# World House Choir, Yellow Springs, OH

#### Assistant Director and Vocal Consultant (2019-2020)

- Vocal coach for Black History Month concert series
- Prepared chorus for special projects: Lifting as We Climb (J. Szymko) The Roma Commission; Missa Gaia
   (P. Winter); Poor People's Campaign Community Chorus (with Sinclair College, OH)
- Assist with, perform, or conduct run-out performances at rallies, marches, and community events as needed

# MUSE - Cincinnati's Women's Choir, Cincinnati, OH

#### **Interim Director** (Spring 2017)

- Led retreats and weekly rehearsals;
- Worked with MUSE Board of Directors and MUSE Musical Excellence Committee on programming with a focus on diversity and social justice
- Conducted Memorial Hall ArtsWave and International Women's Week concerts
- Assist with, perform, or conduct run-out performances at rallies, marches, and community events as needed

# Indianapolis Children's Choir

Indianapolis Youth Chorale, Indianapolis, IN

# Independent Study in Music Education - Conducting (2002–2004)

- Conducted rehearsals and concerts under founder Henry Leck and Cheryl West
- Facilitated music theory and music appreciation lesson plans for students aged 11 to 18 years

# Higher Education

# Mount St. Joseph University

#### Director of Choral Activities (2021-2022)

- Conduct large university ensemble (University Singers) and auditioned Chamber Choir
- Serve as a major force of recruitment for admissions, with 40+ in-school visits/clinics per year
- Represent MSJ at OMEA conferences and other regional music ed, choral, and voice conferences
- Plan, advertise, and facilitate MSJ High School Choral Invitational

# Indiana University East, Richmond, IN

# Adjunct Instructor of Music (2019-2021)

- Private Voice Instructor Instruct music and non-music majors in basic and advanced voice technique
- Director IU East Richmond Chorale Large ensemble, SATB, community and university singers
- Classes: Basic Conducting (Fall '19)

#### Columbia University Teachers College, New York, NY

# Music Lessons Instructor - Voice (2019, 2020)

Teach voice lessons to music and non-music majors in a constructivist, collaborative setting

#### Earlham College, Richmond, IN

Interim Director of Choral Activities (2017-2018)

Assistant Director of Choral Activities (2012-2017)

## Sabbatical Replacement – Director of Choral Activities (spring 2016)

- Directed Chamber Singers, Concert Choir, Women's Chorus, and Gentlemen's Ensemble
  - o Coordinated bi-annual national concert tour to the Midwest and East Coast, NYC & DC
  - Organized choral retreats, benefit concerts, & Earlham High School Choral Festival

• Classes: Voice Class - beginning and advanced; Sight Singing - beginning and advanced; Freshman Writing Seminar, Senior Writing Seminar; Capstone advisor; Independent study advisor – advanced conducting

## Ball State University

#### Graduate Assistant (2015-2016)

- Ball State University Chamber Singers conductor
- Organized the Ball State University High School Choral Invitational

# Indiana University Kokomo, Kokomo, IN

# Adjunct Instructor of Music (2008-2010)

 Classes: History of Jazz — Created new, hybrid online course for IUK with in-class lectures and online activities; University Choir

## Music and Voice Instruction, Arts Administration

## Cincinnati Opera

## Teaching Artist (2020 – present)

- Share the Love Truck Tour Making opera accessible in outdoor venues in diverse neighborhoods in Cincinnati for pandemic-responsive programming. Sing a variety of repertoire including Musical Theater, Jazz, and Opera
- Frederick Douglass Elementary School Summer Learning Cohort Planning curriculum for and facilitating bi-weekly classes for children ages 4 years to 11 years for general music education and an introduction to operatic music.
- Music in Motion Providing music and movement experiences for adults with Alzheimer's and their caregivers

#### The Voice Lab, Chicago, IL

#### Senior Voice Instructor (2020-2021)

- Assist transgender speech clients access a healthy, sustainable speaking voice that is congruent with their gender using music as a methodology by which to deliver speech training
- Participate in ongoing professional development in the areas of gender diverse voice, trauma-informed pedagogy, active listening, and conflict resolution.

#### Butterfly Transgender Music Chorus, Boston, MA

#### Consultant, Vocal Technician (2016)

Collaborative, interdisciplinary partnership to assist transgender singers access their desired singing voice

- Partnered to research the unique music training needs and desires of transgender clients
- Served as vocal clinician for spring 2016

#### Indianapolis Opera, Indianapolis, IN

## Director of Education (2011-2012)

- Coordinated K-12 outreach and education (80+ performances); wrote score reduction and curriculum for touring Residency program
- Developed OperaLite (young professionals outreach)
- Sustained partnerships with Dance Kaleidoscope, Indianapolis Museum of Art, Indianapolis Marion County Public Library, and Wheeler Arts Center
- Curated main stage pre-performance lecture series

Renaissance Studios, Indianapolis, IN (2006-2012)

Lawrence North High School, Indianapolis, IN (2007-2011)

Meridian Music, Carmel, IN (2007-2011)

#### Instructor - Voice

• Coached Italian, French, German, Spanish, and English art song as well as American Musical Theater; worked on healthy belt technique; taught beginning music theory and aural skills

The Performing Arts Institute, Indianapolis, IN

#### Instructor – Music Theater and Voice (2006)

 Designed curricula for middle school and high school musical theater; taught introductory music theory and music history; Taught Performance Skills class with auditions and performances

University of Cincinnati College-Conservatory of Music Preparatory Dept., Cincinnati, OH Student Lecturer - Voice (2006)

• Taught classical technique, introductory music theory and aural skills, audition preparation

Butler Community Arts School, Indianapolis, IN

Teaching Fellow - Voice (2002-2004)

Taught group and private lessons; instructed students in diverse repertoire including arias, art songs, jazz, and
musical theatre; taught basic music theory and aural skills

#### Sacred Music

First Friends Meeting, Richmond, IN

Music Leader -(2019 - 2021)

• Director of adult mixed choir; coordinator of special music; worship leader

First English Lutheran, Richmond, IN

Choir Director – (2019-2020)

Director of adult mixed choir

Shiloh United Methodist Church, Kokomo, IN

Music Director and Worship Leader (2006–2010)

- Created a diverse worship through music, adding three new choirs, expanding the program by 200%
- Director of adult mixed choir, adult hand bells, praise band, and seasonal cantatas; New choirs included girls' choir, children's choir, and the men's barbershop choir

Central Christian Church, Wanamaker, IN

**Choir Director** (2000–2001)

• Director of adult mixed choir; coordinator of special music

First United Methodist Church, Alexandria, IN

**Choir Director** (1998-2000)

• Director of adult mixed choir; designed first contemporary worship service

#### Master Classes and Clinics - Clinician

# Collegiate Level

Vocal master class	Butler University, Indianapolis, IN	2020
Choral clinics	World House Choir, Yellow Springs, OH	2019/2020
Vocal master class	Chabot College, San Francisco, CA	2019
Vocal master class Sacramento City College, Sacramento, CA		2019
Choral clinic Hamilton College, Clinton, GA		2018
	University Singers, University Chamber Singers	
Choral clinic	Binghamton University, Binghamton, NY	2018
	Harpur Chorale, Treble Chorus	

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Choral clinic	Cleveland Transgender Chorus, Cleveland, OH	2017
Choral clinic <i>and</i> 2016	Northwestern State University of Louisiana, Natchitoches, LA	
vocal master class	Women's Chorus	
Choral clinic <i>and</i> vocal master classes	Butterfly Transgender Music Chorus, Boston, MA	2016
Choral clinics	Earlham College High School Choral Festival	2016
	Women's Ensemble, Men's Ensemble	
Choral clinic	Ball State University, Muncie, IN	2015
	Women's Chorus, Baltic Women's Sound: Resonance	and Production
Vocal master class	Georgia Perimeter College, Clarkston, GA	2009
Vocal master class	Shorter College, Rome, GA	2009
Secondary Level		
Choral clinics	Xavier High School (OH)	2021, 2022
Choral clinics	Gamble Montessori High School (OH)	2021, 2022
Choral clinics	Oak Hills (OH) High School	2021, 2022
Choral clinics	Mason (OH) High School	2021, 2022
Choral clinics	Connersville (IN) High School	2013-Present
	Mixed Chorus, Men's Chorus	(Multiple per year)
Choral clinics	Centerville (IN) High School	2013-Present
	Mixed Chorus, Women's Chorus	(Multiple per year)
Choral clinic	Richmond (IN) High School	2015
	Mixed Chorus	
Choral clinic	Northeastern High School (Fountain City, IN)	2014
	Mixed Chorus, Women's Chorus	
Choral clinics	Lawrence North High School (Indianapolis, IN)	2007-2011
	Mixed Chorus, Women's Chorus	(Multiple per year)
Choral clinic	Kokomo (IN) Youth Chorale	2002

# Major Projects: Chorus Master and Assistant Chorus Master

Requiem for Victims of a Pandemic	YPCC Chamber Choir with string quartet	2023
Seven Hills at the Movies with YPCC	Seven Hills Symphony Orchestra	2023
25 for 25: A Time for New Music	YPCC Collaboration with May Festival Chorus	2023
Sadji (William Grant Still)	Kentucky Symphony Orchestra	2023
Rejoice in the Lamb (Britten)	Indiana University East Richmond Chorale	2020
Lifting as We Climb (Szymko)	World House Choir, The GALA Choruses Roma Commission	2020
Missa Gaia (Winter)	World House Choir Fall Concert Series	2019
The Planets: Neptune (Holst)	Richmond Symphony Orchestra	2018
Earlham Goes to the Opera!	Earlham College Choirs & Richmond Chorale	2017
•	with Earlham Orchestra	
Heartland Sings Evening of Jazz	Earlham College Choirs with Heartland Sings (Ft. Wayne, IN)	2017
Earlham Winter Choir Tour*	Cincinnati, Indianapolis, and Chicago	2016
Chichester Psalms (Bernstein)	Earlham College Choirs	2016
Place of the Blest (Thompson)	Richmond Women's Chorus with orchestra	2016
Crossings (Barnwell)	Earlham Women's Chorus and Hope through Harmony	2016
,	with Ysaye Barnwell and Catherine Roma	
Gloria (Vivaldi)	Kokomo Symphony Orchestra	2015
Messiah (Handel)	Earlham College Choirs and Richmond Chorale	2015
Genesis Benefit Concert	Special collaboration with Cheryl Wheeler	2015
Midwinter Songs (Lauridsen)	Earlham College Choirs	
Earlham Winter Choir Tour	New York City, Philadelphia, and Washington, D.C.	2014
Lux Aeterna (Lauridsen)	Earlham College Choir and Richmond Chorale	2014
A Child of Our Time (Tippett)	Earlham College Choirs and Richmond Chorale	2013
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# Vocal Performance Experience

# Concert & Oratorio \*denotes upcoming

Snowflake Chorus ( <i>Nutcracker</i> )	Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra and Ballet	2021/22
Studio recording artist	Coro Volante	2022
Music of Nellie Melba: Flute and Voice	Midwest Tour; Butler U., Taylor U., IU East, Earlham	2019/20
Share the Love Truck Tour	Cincinnati Opera	2020
NAGASAKI: Wilderness Mute	United Nations St. Louis; Antioch College Artist Series	2018
Earlham Goes to the Opera!	Earlham College Choirs and Orchestra	2017
Music of Nellie Melba: Flute and Voice	Studio 912 Recital Series, Richmond, IN	2017
3 Dickinson Love Songs (Salvatore)	New Music Festival, Indiana State University	2016
Ariettes oubliées (Debussy)	Earlham College (with Kenneth Griffiths, CCM)	2016
Rumelian Songs (K. Nez) – premiere	Ball State New Music Festival	2016
Messiah (Handel)	Earlham College Choirs and Orchestra	2015
Exultate, Jubilate (Mozart)	Kokomo Symphony Orchestra	2015
If Two Were One (Felice)	Larchmere String Quartet	2014
Knoxville: Summer of 1915 (Barber)	Kokomo Symphony Orchestra	2013
A Child of Our Time (Tippett)	Earlham College Choirs and Orchestra	2013
Viennese Bon Bons: Mozart & J. Strauss	Evansville Philharmonic Orchestra	2013
Gloria (Vivaldi)	Second Presbyterian Church, Indianapolis, IN	2012
Carmina Burana	Encore Vocal Arts, Indianapolis, IN	2012
Gloria (Vivaldi)	Lebanon Symphony Orchestra, Lebanon, OH	2011
Creation (Haydn)	Beth-El Zedeck Arts Series, Indianapolis, IN	2011
Opera's Not Dead!	Indianapolis Spirit and Place Festival	2011
Liederabend at the Liederkranz	Indianapolis Liederkranz Artist Series	2011
Mirror Images (opera outreach tour)	Georgia Perimeter and Shorter Colleges, GA	2009
Sandi Patty's Broadway - National tour	Kansas City, Cincinnati, & Indianapolis Symphonies	2009
Des Tages Weihe (Schubert), Hunting	Grandin Festival, Cincinnati, OH	2006
Cantata (Bach), Op. 112 (Brahms)	Grandin Festival, Cincinnati, OH	2006
Requiem (Rutter)	Cumberland Community Choir, IN	2006
3 Haiku (C. Levin)	New Music Festival, Cincinnati, OH	2006
Mass in C Minor (Mozart)	Lebanon Symphony Orchestra, Lebanon, OH	2006
Appalachian Liebeslieder (Liebermann)	Grandin Festival, Cincinnati, OH	2005
Passio (Pärt)	Cincinnati College-Conservatory of Music	2005
Cantata 78 (Bach)	Cincinnati College-Conservatory of Music	2005

# Roles \*denotes cover

The Hamilton Project	KUJI Men's Chorus, Marion Correctional	2019
Midsummer (premiere)	Earlham College Orchestra	2012
A Childhood Miracle	Intimate Opera Indianapolis	2012
The Impresario	Intimate Opera Indianapolis	2011
The Elixir of Love	Peach State Opera	2011
La Traviata	Indianapolis Opera	2011
Homo Homarus	Indianapolis Convergence Festival	2011
La Tragédie de Carmen	Indianapolis Opera	2011
The Telephone	Ivy Tech Peru and Indianapolis	2010/11
Il Barbiere di Siviglia	Sugar Creek Symphony and Song	2010
The Mikado	Indianapolis Opera	2010
<i>La bohème</i>	Indianapolis Opera	2009
Ariadne auf Naxos	Indianapolis Opera	2009
Die Fledermaus scenes	Des Moines Metro Opera	2009
Albert Herring scenes	Des Moines Metro Opera	2009
Semele scenes	Des Moines Metro Opera	2009
Manon act II	Des Moines Metro Opera	2009
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Baby Doe	The Ballad of Baby	Doe scenes	Des Moines Metro Opera	200	9
Clara	Passion scenes		Des Moines Metro Opera		9
Isabel, Mabel*	The Pirates of Penz	ance	Indianapolis Opera		9
Second Spirit	The Magic Flute		Indianapolis Opera		7
Betly	Betly		La Musica Lirica	200	7
Manon	Manon act III (w/or	rchestra)	Cincinnati College-Conservatory of Music		6
Clorinda	La Cenerentola		Opera Festival di Lucca	200.	5
Virginia Poe	The Voyage of Edga	ar Allan Poe	Cincinnati College-Conservatory of Music		5
Yum Yum	The Mikado		Butler University		)4
Additional Profess	ional Training *denotes	s upcoming			
Access, Diversity, E	quity and Inclusion Learn	ing Lab	Chorus America		21
Chorus Management Institute		Chorus America		21	
Trauma-Informed Pedagogy		The Voice Lab, Inc., continuing education 2020		:0	
Non-Violent Communication and Professional Boundaries		The Voice Lab, Inc., continuing education 2020		:0	
Clifton Strengths Evaluation & Workshop		The Voice Lab, Inc., continuing education		20	
Level 1 - Theater Vo	oice and Speech Training	Methods			
for Working with Gender Diverse Clients			Chicago Voice Institute	202	:0
One Weird Trick: Teacher Training for Trans Voice			The Voice Lab, Chicago, IL 2020		
Ball State University Graducate Conducting Seminar			Muncie, IN 2014/20		5
Sugar Creek Symphony and Song Apprentice		Watseka, IL		.0	
Des Moines Metro Opera Apprentice		Des Moines Metro Opera	200	19	
Indianapolis Opera Ensemble (cover)		Indianapolis Opera	2008/09/1	0	
Rising Star Singers Audition Workshop		Rising Sun, Indiana 200		7	
Apprentice Artist		La Musica Lirica, Novafeltria, Italy		)7	
Apprentice Artist			Opera Festival di Lucca, Lucca	a, Italy 200	15
Teachers	Coaches	Conductor	s Directors		
Amy Johnson	Kenneth Griffiths	James Caral	ner John Davies		
Julia Faulkner	Lisa Hasson	Robert Lars	3	erger	
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# **Professional Activities**

Kyle Marr

William Boggs

#### Academic Conferences - National

Barbara Clark

American Choral Directors Association National Conference 2023 – Young Professionals Choral Collective to serve as demonstration choir in Teaching and Learning of Arabic Music with William Culverhouse and Shireen Abu-Khader

# Transgender Singing Voice Conference, Founder, Organizer (2017, 2019)

David Neely

- Coordinate speakers, manage conference budget, event planning, and volunteer coordination
- Steele, D.M.C., & Cayari, C. (2019). New directions in research Demystifying trans\*+ voice education: The transgender singing voice conference. Conference session presented at the Transgender Singing Voice Conference in Richmond, IN.
- Raposo, J., & Steele, D.M.C., (2018). *The flute/soprano collaborations of Nellie Melba*. Conference session presented at the National Flute Association National Conference in Orlando, FL.

- Thomas, K. (moderator), Steele, D.M.C., Sauerland, W., Deaton, L. and Palkki, J. (2017). *Creating a welcoming space for transgender and non-binary singers*. Panelist. Conference session presented at the Chorus America National Conference in Los Angeles, CA.
- Palkki, J. (moderator), Steele, D.M.C., Garrett, M., Nagoski, A., and Saplan, J. (2017) *Considering gender in our choirs.* Panelist. Conference session presented at the National Collegiate Choral Organization National Conference in Baton Rouge, LA.
- Steele, D.M.C., (2017). New directions in research: Fostering collaboration. Conference session presented at the Transgender Singing Voice Conference in Richmond, IN.
- Steele, D.M.C., & Sauerland, W. (2017). *Inclusive programming: Incorporating trans-friendly repertoire into your choral program.* Conference session presented at the Transgender Singing Voice Conference in Richmond, IN.
- Steele, D.M.C., (2017). *Vocal Warm-ups for Transgender Singers.* Conference session presented at the Transgender Singing Voice Conference in Richmond, IN.
- Steele, D.M.C., (2016). Vocal and social integration of transgender students into their preferred-gender ensemble: A qualitative study of two transgender students. Conference session presented at the LGBT Issues & Music Education Conference, University of Illinois, Urbana, IL.

# Academic Conference Presentations, Guest Speaking, and Presentations - Regional

- Steele, D.M.C. (2021, April). Architects of the future: Creative programming in the age of COVID-19. Session presented at World Voice Day Symposium for University of Cincinnati Health, 2021 Virtual Symposium.
- Steele, D.M.C., (2020, July). Architects of the future: Creative programming in the age of COVID-19. Session presented at Indiana Choral Directors Association State Conference, 2020 Virtual Conference.
- Steele, D.M.C. (2019, July). Beyond scales and arpeggios: Scientifically derived exercises for evoking beautiful choral sound. Session presented at Indiana Choral Directors Association State Conference at the University of Indianapolis, Indianapolis, IN.
- Steele, D.M.C. (2019, April). *Creating equity in the music classroom.* Session presented at Sacramento City College, Sacramento, CA.
- Steele, D.M.C. (2019, April). *Vocal hygiene for professional voice users*. Session presented at Sacramento City College, Sacramento, CA.
- Steele, D.M.C. (2019). *Collaborations between speech-language pathologists and teachers of the singing voice.*Spectrum Voice and Communication Roundtable. Online forum.
- Steele, D.M.C., (2018). Vocal considerations for transgender and non-binary singers for composers and voice teachers. Session presented at Binghamton University, Binghamton, NY.
- Steele, D.M.C., (2018). *Music and resistance: Using music to claim identity.* Session presented at Hamilton College, in Clinton, NY.
- Steele, D.M.C., (2017). *Gender diversity and inclusivity for pre-service teachers.* Two-day workshop presented at Baldwin Wallace University, Berea, OH.
- Steele, D.M.C. (2017) *Fostering the transgender voice*. Session presented at Indiana University, Jacobs School of Music, Bloomington, IN for the American Choral Directors Association IU student chapter.

- Steele, D.M.C., (2017). *De-gendering the choral classroom*. Conference session presented at the Indiana Music Educators Association Professional Development Conference in Fort Wayne, IN.
- Zarate, R., Forrence Worth, B., Steele, D.M.C. and Kozan, A. (2016) *The benefits of singing and the transgender speech pathology client.* Session presented at the Speech Pathology Department, Beth Israel Deaconess Hospital of Harvard University Medical in Boston, MA in collaboration with Butterfly Music Transgender Chorus.
- Steele, D.M.C., (2016). *Gender diversity and inclusivity for pre-service teachers.* Four-day workshop series presented at Northwestern State University of Louisiana, Natchitoches, LA.
- Steele, D.M.C., (2016). Warm-ups for transgender vocalists. Session presented at the Amasong Treble Chorus Festival, University of Illinois, Urbana, IL.
- Steele, D.M.C. (2015). *Gender diversity in the music classroom.* Session presented at Ball State University in Muncie, IN for the American Choral Directors Association BSU student chapter.
- Steele, D.M.C. (2015). Western vocal production. Sessions presented to Dozan Wa Awtar Chorus in Amman, the Kingdom of Jordan.
- Steele, D.M.C. (2009) *Professional development of the young performer*. Session presented at Georgia Perimeter College, Clarkston, GA.
- Steele, D.M.C. (2009) *Professional development of the young performer*. Session presented at Shorter College, Rome, GA.

# **Publications**

- Steele, D.M.C., (2019). Speech language pathologists with vocal music background: Exploring impact on the training of transgender voice modification clients. *Journal of Theatre, Dance and Performance Training.* doi: 10.1080/19443927.2019.1640781
- Steele, D. M. C., and Rice, A. M. (2018). "Every person's voice matters:" The lived theology of a teacher of transgender singers. In K. S. Hendricks & J. Boyce-Tillman (Eds.), *Music and Spirituality Series: Vol. 6. Queering freedom: Music, identity, and spirituality.* Oxford, England: Peter Lang.
- Steele, D. M. C. (2017). Training the transgender singer. INform, 71(2) 13-16.

# Institutional Service and Community Engagement

#### Earlham College, Richmond, IN — 2012–2019

- New Student Orientation Choir; Homecoming Choir; Alumni Reunion Choir; Baccalaureate Choir
- Annual outreach and benefit concerts: Genesis Women's Shelter, First Friends Meeting, West Richmond Friends, Friends Fellowship Retirement
- May Term leader Bike Indiana Two-week, 600-mile circumnavigation of Indiana by bike, visiting organic farms and studying sustainable agriculture – 2015; Outdoor Trip Leadership – Two-week canoeing intensive designed to train student instructors – Killarney Provincial Park, Ontario, Canada – 2014
- August Intensive leader *August Wilderness* Three-week excursion to Wabakimi Provincial Park, Ontario, Canada, in a place-based educational project for orienting new students 2013

#### Work with Incarcerated Persons

# Marion Correctional Institution, Marion, OH - 2019

• Assist in production of The *Hamilton!* Project, coordination of outreach and community awareness **Dayton Correctional Institution for Women, Dayton, OH** – 2016–2020

- Provide choral and private vocal lessons; coordinate collaborative community experiences
- Collaborative performances with Earlham College and MUSE, Cincinnati's Women's Chorus

# Spirit and Place Festival

# Event Designer (2011-2012)

- Gender Bender: An Exploration of Gender Roles in Life and on Stage (collaboration at Indianapolis Unitarian Universalist Church with Indianapolis Men's Chorus, actors, dancers, and soloists) 2012
- Opera's Not Dead! Opera's Most Famous Death Scenes, at Aaron Reuben Nelson Mortuary 2011

# Sigma Alpha Iota, Butler Chapter, Indianapolis, IN

# Philanthropy Co-Chair (2002-2003)

Created a teaching cooperative with Crispus Attucks Middle School, organized lessons, instrument donation
and repair; Coordinated teaching assistance in music and general education classrooms

# The Ulster Project

#### Counselor (2002)

Bringing together Protestant and Catholic youth from Northern Ireland to engage in cultural bridge building
with an aim at keeping youth from entering paramilitary organizations

Disciples of Christ "Music, Arts, and Drama" Camp, Leesburg, IN

Counselor and Music Leader (annually since 2001 - present)

• Led voice and dance workshops, Bible study groups.

# Professional Memberships

National Association of the Teachers of Singing American Choral Directors Association National Association for Music Educators Chorus America National Collegiate Choral Organization Indiana Choral Directors Association Ohio Music Educators Association

# Special Skills

#### Musical:

Proficiency on keyboard: warm-ups, scales, octavos, sectionals

Proficient with the International Phonetic Alphabet for teaching diction (IPA)

Advanced Italian, German, and French diction

Experience with Russian, Czech, Polish, Arabic, Hebrew, Latvian, Sami Yoik, Norwegian, Estonian, Romanian, Serbian, Spanish (Latin American and Castilian), Xhosa and Swahili

#### Other:

Tour coordination, Conference coordination; Interdisciplinary education initiatives, Grant writing, Fundraising, Donor relations

Proficiency in Microsoft Office, Google Suite, and website maintenance

# References

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