

Cantorial and Jewish Music Curriculum Vitae

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Cantorial Soloist Positions

Rodeph Shalom, Pittsburgh Pennsylvania

Cantorial Soloist

• High Holydays, *3 years*

Temple Emmanuel of Davenport Iowa

Cantorial Soloist

• High Holydays, *1 year*

Temple Sinai, Stamford, Connecticut Pennsylvania

Cantorial Soloist

• High Holydays, chagim and selected shabbatot, *1 year*

North Fork Reform Synagogue, North Fork Long Island, New York

Cantorial Soloist

• High Holydays, chagim, selected shabbatot, *5 years*

Notable Recent Jewish Music Performances

Temple Israel Center, White Plains, New York

High Holyday Quartet, Shabbat Shira, chagim

soprano soloist, 11 years

Jewish Theological Seminary of America, New York, New York

Shaarei Tikvah, Scarsdale New York

Steal A Pencil For Me, an opera by Gerald Cohen world premier

role: Ina Soep

Elie Wiesel in Concert: Memories and Melodies of My Childhood, 92 Street Y,

soprano soloist

The North American Jewish Choral Festival

Honoring Charles Davidson, Samuel Adler, and Jack Gottlieb

soloist: the music of Charles Davidson

Carnegie Hall, The Orchestra Now - New York, NY:
Shostakovich, *From Jewish Folk Poetry*
soprano soloist

A Hebrew Liederabend - YIVO, New York, NY
Ilana Davidson, Raphael Frieder, Elizabeth Shammash with
world-renowned virtuoso pianist Yehudi Wyner.

Anneliese: a setting by James Whitbourn of the Diary of Anne Frank
The Riverdale Choral Society conducted by Patrick Gardner
Ilana Davidson as Anne Frank

Commerical Jewish Recordings

The Birthday Of The World, Part 1: Rosh Hashanah
Matthew Lazar, Western Wind Ensemble, Leonard Nemoy

The Birthday Of The World, Yom Kippur
Matthew Lazar, Western Wind Ensemble

Yontef! A Celebration Of Yamim Noraim, The High Holydays
Soprano soloist, Jacob Mendelson

Cantorial faculty recitals, teaching, and masterclasses

Debbie Friedman School of Sacred Music - New York, NY:
Opera and Art Song: Guest Clinician

H.L. Miller Cantorial School: New York, NY
Private Voice Teacher, Opera, Art Song, Recital Preparation, Technique, Diction

Founder and Creator

Vocally Mindful: A holistic approach to Vocal Wellbeing and Performance Health

Artistic Director

ClassicalCafé Chamber Music Series

Education and Training

The Curtis Institute of Music - Philadelphia, PA: Master of Music
• Opera & Voice Performance

Carnegie Mellon University - Pittsburgh, PA: Bachelor of Music
• Voice Performance

Tanglewood Music Center

- Phyllis Curtis Seminar
- Vocal Fellow

Continuous learning and self-study program

Specifically designed to include varied aspects of Jewish ceremonial life and competence as an officiant with Hazzan Charles Davidson

Honors and Awards

Grammy Awards: William Bolcom's Songs of Innocence and Experience, Best Classical Album, Best Choral Performance, Best Classical Contemporary Composition and Producer of the Year, Classical

Bronx Council on the Arts: BRIO Award in Vocal Performance

National Association of Teachers in Singing: PA, First Place

Mostly Mozart Competition: Philadelphia, First Place

Concerto Competition: Carnegie Mellon University, First Place

William Matheus Sullivan Music Foundation: First Place

SPECIAL SKILLS

- Fluent German
- Conversational Dutch
- Expert Diction in Italian, German, French, English, Latin, Hebrew, Ladino, Dutch
- Considerable experience with Spanish, Russian, Arabic, Chinese
- Proficient Keyboard and Accompanying Skills
- Broad Knowledge of Repertoire
- Extensive Knowledge of Repertoire
- Vocal Behavior Training: Underpinnings of vocal anatomy, healing and vocal athletic application.
- Foremost teacher and head of teacher training of VBT worldwide
- Advanced Yoga Practitioner, beginning 1997
- Experience in Acting, Movement, Dance

Benefits, Fund Raising, Board member

2nd Annual benefit for 'Shelter from the Storm': Peterborough NH

- Fundraiser for the homeless shelter

Lewy Body Dementia Fundraiser, Boston, MA - Raised \$20,000.00

- Recital in memory of Frances Davidson

Outreach Concerts for Intimate Voices Chamber Music: Bronx, NY

- Senior Homes and VA Hospital

Fundraising Concerts

- Electric Earth Concerts, New Hampshire
- Monadnock Music, New Hampshire
- Board Member and Advisor, JEWTA, New York, NY
- EOS Orchestra, New York, NY