



GUSTAVUS ADOLPHUS COLLEGE

**GRADUATES IN MUSIC** 1891-2013



## OUR GRADUATES IN MUSIC

This booklet chronicles the careers, achievements, and activities of our music major graduates and those non-majors who have continued significant involvement in music. It is evidence of a strong and prosperous network of Gustavus musicians in a tremendous variety of careers and music activities: performers, composers, professors, music educators, music therapists, conductors, church musicians, sound designers, authors, presidents, CEOs, ministers, attorneys, actors, producers, software engineers, bankers, psychologists, consultants, and business owners.

The qualities and characteristics that define Gustavus Music are found here from the emphasis on the individual to the role of music in the liberal arts. For these graduates who continue the pursuit of a more artistic performance, elegant composition, groundbreaking book or article, and stunning presentation, music is an indispensable part of their lives.

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## 1891

Dr. Carl Seashore

[gustavus.edu/psychology/Epilogue/Seashore.html](http://gustavus.edu/psychology/Epilogue/Seashore.html)

- Psychology Major
- Ph.D. in Psychology, Yale University, New Haven, Connecticut
- Dean of the Graduate College, Faculty Member and Chair of the Psychology Department, University of Iowa, Iowa City, Iowa
- Pioneer in Psychology in America, most recognized for the Seashore Tests of Musical Ability
- Served as church organist and choir director at Swedish-Lutheran church, Mankato, Minnesota

## 1932

Ingrid (Pearson) Voss

- Music and English Majors
- Master of Library Science, Columbia University, New York, New York

## 1940

Juanita (Dahlberg) Marotta

- Music and History Majors
- Master of Science in Botany, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minnesota

## 1941

Eunice (Nordin) Gordon

- Music and English Majors
- Master of Arts in Music, Smith College, Northampton, Massachusetts

## 1945

Constance (Nelson) Walker

- Music Major
- Master of Science in Clinical Social Work, Smith College, Northampton, Massachusetts

## 1946

Phyllis (Anderson) Gillson

- Music Major
- Master of Arts in Music, Northwestern University, Evanston, Illinois

## 1947

Cecile (Carlson) Ellis

- Music Major
- Master of Education in Music Education, North Dakota University, Grand Forks, North Dakota

## 1948

Willard Johnson

- Music Major
- Master of Arts in Music, Northwestern University, Evanston, Illinois

## Phil Knautz

[archives.gac.edu/cdm/search/collection/p15292coll2/searchterm/Knautz](http://archives.gac.edu/cdm/search/collection/p15292coll2/searchterm/Knautz)

- Music Major
- Master of Music, University of Texas, Austin, Texas
- 1954-1980 Director of the Gustavus Choir
- 1980-85 Director of Fine Arts Programs
- Chorus Director and Dean, American Legion's Minnesota Boys State
- Director of Saint Peter and Mankato Barbershop choruses

## 1950

### Gale Skold

- Music Major
- Master of Science in Educational Administration, Saint Cloud State University, Saint Cloud, Minnesota

## 1951

### Louise (Bold) Bergman

- Music Major
- Master of Arts in Music, Columbia University, New York, New York

### Dorothy (Johnson) Lutz

- Music Major
- Master of Arts in Music, Eastman School of Music, Rochester, New York
- Master of Fine Arts in Piano Performance, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minnesota
- Piano Teacher, Saint Peter, Minnesota

### Marian (Odberg) Olson

- Music Major
- Music Educator
- Member: Minneapolis Police Band and 2011 Synod Senior Band

### Dr. Ken Samuelson

- Engineering Major
- D.D.S. in Dentistry, Washington University, Saint Louis, Missouri
- Violinist: Idaho Falls Symphony, North Idaho Symphony, and Four Chairman Symphonette

## 1952

### Elmer Ackermann

- Music Major
- Director of Music, Peace United Church, Shawano, Wisconsin

### Dr. Ellis Jones

- Economics and Business Management Majors
- Doctor of Education in Economics and Business, University of North Dakota, Grand Forks, North Dakota
- 1958–1998 Emeritus Professor of Economics and Management, Gustavus Adolphus College, Saint Peter, Minnesota
- International Director of the Welsh National Gymanfa Ganu Association.
- Director of Saint David's Day Welsh Hymn Festival, Christ Chapel, Gustavus Adolphus College, Saint Peter, Minnesota

### Marold Strand

- Music Major
- Master of Business Administration, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minnesota

## 1953

### Dr. Walter Thomas Atcherson

[iagenweb.org/boards/johnson/obituaries/index.cgi?read=239879](http://iagenweb.org/boards/johnson/obituaries/index.cgi?read=239879)

- Music Major
- Ph.D. in Music Theory, Indiana University, Bloomington, Indiana
- Professor of Music, Gustavus Adolphus College
- 1964-1995 Emeritus Professor of Music Theory, University of Iowa, Iowa City, Iowa
- Music Theorist, Composer, Author, French Horn Teacher

### Lois (Bratt) Genis

- Music Major
- Masters in Education, University of Massachusetts, Lowell, Massachusetts

### Miriam (Zimmerman) Giannone

- Music Major
- Master of Arts, Eastman School of Music, Rochester, New York
- Violin and Viola Performer and Teacher

### (John) Jack Graber

- Music and History Majors
- Master of Arts, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minnesota
- Navy musician
- Band Director and Librarian, Richfield Public Schools, Richfield, Minnesota
- Member: JustThree Brass, Minneapolis Brass, Senior Synod Band and Jammers Band
- Active Twin Cities jobbing jazz musician

### The Rev. Beverly (Jacobsen) Nestingen-Lundeen

- Music and English Majors
- Master of Divinity, Luther Seminary, Saint Paul, Minnesota
- Master of Education in Special Education, Saint Cloud State University, Saint Cloud, Minnesota

### Donna (Olson) Nystuen

- Music and English Majors
- Master of Arts in Music Education, Colorado State University, Fort Collins, Colorado

## 1954

### Roger Hanson

- Music Major
- Master of Arts, Colorado State University, Fort Collins, Colorado
- Roger Hanson Art, Publish America

### Carolyn (Gooder) Towley

- Music Major
- Master of Science in Nursing, Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah
- Organist for several Episcopal churches

## 1955

### George Boberg

- Music Major
- Master of Science in Music Education, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, Illinois
- Master of Music in Percussion, Manhattan School of Music, New York City, New York
- Emeritus Professor, University of Kansas, Lawrence, Kansas
- Head of Percussion Department, Acting Director of Bands, Conductor of Lawrence Chamber Players
- Free-lance New York City Percussionist: Manhattan Percussion Ensemble, famed Paul Price Percussion Quartet, Group for Contemporary Music, and Seventh Army Band in Stuttgart, Germany
- Author “Multiple-Option Cadences” and “Jazz-Rock Cadences” Alfred Publications

### Jackie Carlson

- Music Major
- Career in Music Education
- Performed in 2011 Synod Senior Band

### Marilyn (Brust) Johnson

- Music Major
- Master of Arts in Music, Eastman School of Music, Rochester, New York

## 1956

### Anders Björling

- Economics and Business Administration Majors
- Owner, Swedish Kontur Imports, Saint Peter, Minnesota
- 1962-1998 Controller of Gustavus Adolphus College
- Björling Recital Hall is named for his father, Jussi Björling, proclaimed by many as the greatest singer of all time
- Anders has presented many talks on his father across the country and is very active in the Jussi Björling Society

### Phyllis (Sletten) Dalager

- Music Major
- Master of Arts in Piano Performance, University of South Dakota, Vermillion, South Dakota
- Organist and Homemaker

### Tom Engquist

- Music Major
- Music Teacher, Waterville Senior High School, Waterville, Minnesota
- Interim Director of American Swedish Institute Male Chorus
- Performed in 2011 Synod Senior Band, and sings and plays in five more groups

### Beverly Matson Gustafson

- Music Major
- Visiting Instructor, Early Music and World Music Specialist, Gustavus Adolphus College (1978–Present)
- Master of Fine Arts, Northwestern University, Evanston, Illinois
- National honoraries Sigma Alpha Iota and Pi Kappa Lambda
- Music Teacher, public and parochial schools in Minnesota and Iowa, and schools for Army dependents in Germany and Japan
- Former Member of Rochester Symphony Orchestra, Rochester, Minnesota, and Mankato Symphony Orchestra (Flute)
- Pianist, Rochester Ballet Company
- Performed with Concentus Musicus of Minnesota (Renaissance winds, vils, keyboards)

### Dr. Wayne Johnson

- Music Major
- Bachelor of Science in Chemistry, University of Florida, Gainesville, Florida
- Bachelor of Divinity, Augustana Seminary, Sioux Falls, South Dakota
- Doctor of Medicine, University of Miami, Miami, Florida

### Rolf Mohwinkel

- Music Education Major
- Master of Arts in Music Education, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minnesota
- Music Teacher and Band Director, Buffalo High School, Buffalo, Minnesota
- 50-year Member of National Association of Music Education
- School Board Member: Buffalo-Montrose-Hanover, Buffalo, Minnesota

### Ruth (Chell) Oliphant

- Music Major
- Director of Children's Choirs, Normandale Lutheran Church, Bloomington, Minnesota

### Paul Peterson

- Music Major
- Master of Arts in Counseling, Colorado State University, Fort Collins, Colorado

### Robert Villevik

- Music Major
- Master of Arts, Minnesota State University–Mankato, Mankato, Minnesota

## 1957

### Emily (Backlund) Cole

- Music Major
- Organist and Choir Director, Zion Lutheran Church, Muscatine, Iowa

## 1958

### Jeanine (Lundahl) Olson

- Music Major
- Organist, First Lutheran Church, Pipestone, Minnesota

### Dr. Mary Ellen Young

- Music and English Majors
- Ph.D. in Music, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minnesota
- Vice President for Education for the Symphony Guild of Jacksonville, Florida. Lectures on Eastern Thought and has collaborated with local pianists on programs on women composers of the 19th century
- Pre-performance talks: Jacksonville, Florida Theater's live MET HD transmission from New York City

## 1959

### Dr. Paul Engebretson

- Biology Major
- Doctor of Medicine, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minnesota
- Family Physician, Alexandria, Minnesota
- Leader of two Glenn Miller-type bands in Alexandria, Minnesota and Sun City West, Arizona
- Community band member
- Father of John Engebretson, Gustavus Adolphus Music Faculty
- Wife and mother, Linda, is a 1960 graduate

### Benjamin Johnson

- Music Major
- Emeritus Professor, Saint Cloud State University, Saint Cloud, Minnesota
- Member, Minnesota Center Chorale, Saint Cloud, Minnesota

### David Olson

- Music Major
- Master of Arts in Music, Minnesota State University-Mankato, Mankato, Minnesota

### Arlys (Rosenquist) Spurlin

- Music Major
- Music Teacher, Des Moines Public School, Des Moines, Iowa

### Karen (Anderson) Willhite

- Music Major
- Volunteer Music Coordinator, Open Arms Early Childhood Center
- Organist, Chapel of Peace, Minnesota Veterans Home, Minneapolis, Minnesota



## 1960

### Eileen (Johnson) Delk

- Music Major
- Private Piano Studio

### Dr. Marian (Nelson) McCollum

- Music Major
- Master of Education in Educational Leadership, Michigan State University, East Lansing, Michigan
- Ph.D. in Music Education, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan
- Elementary Music and 7th grade Language Arts Teacher

### The Rev. Paul Tidemann

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- Philosophy and German Majors
- Master of Divinity, Lutheran School of Theology, Chicago, Illinois
- Retired Pastor, Saint Paul-Reformation Lutheran, Saint Paul, Minnesota
- Coordinator, Tidemann Transcultural Initiative
- Member: Community Band, Saint Paul, Minnesota

### Suzanna (Wasgatt) Johnson

- Studio Art Major
- Watercolor Artist
- Member, Minnesota Center Chorale, Saint Cloud, Minnesota

## 1961

### Nancy (Hunziker) Herforth

[youtube.com/watch?v=1oyLusiVID4](https://youtube.com/watch?v=1oyLusiVID4)

- Music Major
- Master of Fine Arts in Music, New England Conservatory of Music, Boston, Massachusetts
- Private Voice Studio
- Junior and Youth Choir Director/Voice Teacher, The Reformed Church of New Paltz, New York
- Nancy Herforth Day

### Mary Beth (Longe) Malloy

- Music Major
- Former owner of Malloy Custom Pianos (piano disc player system, converts acoustic pianos into high-tech computerized player pianos)

### Walter Wright

- Music Major
- Arranger and Singer: Rochester Male Chorus, Rochester, Minnesota

## 1962

### Jonathan Chell

- Music Major
- Master of Arts in Sacred Music, Southern Methodist University, Dallas, Texas
- Retired professional Church Musician
- Substitute Choir Director and Organist, Northern Illinois Synod
- Part-time Director of Music Ministry, Illiana Metropolitan Community Church, Rockford, Illinois

### Dr. David Christiansen

- Music Major
- Ph.D. in Psychology, University of South Dakota, Vermillion, South Dakota
- Private Practice Psychologist

### Dr. Diane (Kolander) Loomer

- Mathematics Major (deceased)
- Bachelor of Music in Music Theory, Minor in Voice, British Columbia, Canada
- Honorary Doctorates from the University of British Columbia (2011) and Gustavus Adolphus College (2012)
- Recipient of the Order of Canada
- Internationally recognized as one of Canada's leading musicians
- First woman to conduct the National Youth Choir of Canada
- 1990 Healey Willan Award for Service to Choral Music in British Columbia
- 1994 YWCA Vancouver's Woman of Distinction for Arts and Culture
- Awarded the Queen's Golden Jubilee Medal in 2002 for significant contribution to Canada's culture
- 2010 Recipient of the Association of Canadian Choral Communities' Distinguished Service Award in recognition of her work promoting Choral Music in Canada
- 2004 Distinguished Alumni Award, Gustavus Adolphus College
- Artistic Director and founder of Chor Leoni Men's Choir
- Co-founder and Conductor Emerita of Elektra Women's Choir
- Founder and Conductor of EnChor Chamber Choir
- Composer and Arranger, choral compositions published and recorded internationally
- Music Faculty, University of British Columbia and Douglas College

## 1963

### Paul Conrad

- Music and Physics Majors
- Master of Arts in Education, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minnesota

### Betty (Ehrich) Lappe

- Music Major
- Private Piano and Organ Studio

### Daniel Malloy

[barkingapple.com/websites/danmalloypianos/pianosforsale.html](http://barkingapple.com/websites/danmalloypianos/pianosforsale.html)

- Music Major
- Master of Arts, University of Iowa, Iowa City, Iowa
- Owner, Dan Malloy Specialty Pianos and Restoration
- Composer, Cantata "Way of the Cross"

### Karen (Katz) McCarville

- Music Major
- Director: Sweet Adeline's Chorus
- Private Piano Studio

### Lillian Tan

- Music Major
- Master of Music, Indiana University, Bloomington, Indiana
- Emeritus Professor, and Music Department Chair, University of Wisconsin–River Falls, Wisconsin
- Piano and Music History Teacher, University of Wisconsin–River Falls for 40 years
- 1981 Soloist with the Taipei Century Symphony, Sun Yat Sen Hall
- Taught in Taipei in 1981 and in Taichung at the Summer Institute in 1988

## 1964

### The Rev. Judy (Swenson) Dummer-Myers

- Music Major
- Master of Divinity, United Theological Seminary, New Brighton, Minnesota

### Gloria (Krenz) Kenow

- Music Major
- Director of Music, Good Shepherd, Owatonna, Minnesota

### Vicki (Krenik) Hedlin

- Music Major
- Director (retired) of Iowa Youth Chorus
- Board Member, Des Moines Symphony, Des Moines, Iowa
- Owner with husband Larry, Hedlin Agricultural Enterprises, West Des Moines, Iowa

### Karen Larvick

- Music Major
- Master of Fine Arts in Music, University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wisconsin
- Professor of Music in Piano (retired), Eastern Illinois University, Charleston, Illinois
- Adjunct Faculty, Lincoln University, University of Missouri Columbia Music Department
- Author, *Girl's Education in Tanganyika* Vol. 27 of Student Project for Amity Among Nations, published by Gustavus Adolphus College
- Private Piano Studio, Jefferson City, Missouri

### Jane (Chelgren) McFadden

- Music Major
- Handbell Director, Composer, and Arranger
- Adjunct Professor of Handbells, Trinity Lutheran Seminary, Columbus, Ohio
- Organist, Christ Lutheran Church, Bexley, Ohio

### John Nurmi

- Music Major
- Master of Science in Music Education, United Theological Seminary, New Brighton, Minnesota

### Jon Romer

- Music Major
- Master of Arts in Music, University of Iowa, Iowa City, Iowa
- Associate Professor of Voice/Choral Music, Gustavus Adolphus College (1971–1990)
- Native American (or First Nations) Wooden Flute Expert
- Music Director, Leech Lake Tribal College, Cass Lake, Minnesota
- Music Teacher, Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig School
- CD Recording, *Flute Voices of Native Americans*
- 2010 Artist Initiative Grant, Minnesota State Arts Board

## 1965

### Olene (Hanson) Bigelow

- Music Major
- Area Director of the International Masonry Institute (building preservation), Maple Grove, Minnesota
- 1964–1965 Presser Scholar Award, Gustavus Adolphus College

### Dr. John Floreen

- Music Major
- Master of Science, School of Sacred Music, Union Theological Seminary, New York, New York
- Doctor of Musical Arts, University of Iowa, Iowa City, Iowa
- Professor of Music at Rutgers University, New Brunswick, New Jersey
- Conductor, Rutgers Chorus
- Recipient, numerous fellowships, grants, and three Fulbright Scholar Awards for music research in Austria
- American Choral Directors Association Award for Excellence in Research and Editing for edition of Hummel's Mass in B-flat, Oxford University Press
- Conducted choirs and taught conducting, Sichuan Conservatory of Music, Chengdu, China
- Member: Music Panel, New Jersey State Council on the Arts
- CD Recordings, Westminster Choir College's Oratorio Choir, Princeton, New Jersey

### David Jordahl

- Music Major
- Master of Arts in Music, University of Iowa, Iowa City, Iowa
- Associate Emeritus Professor of Music, University of Wisconsin-Fox Valley, Menasha, Wisconsin

### Marlyce Pedersen

- Music Major
- Master of Fine Arts, Union Theological Seminary, New York, New York
- Music Director, First Presbyterian Church, Tequesta, Florida
- 1964–1965 Presser Scholar Award, Gustavus Adolphus College

## 1966

### John Rebischke

- Music Major
- Former Music Director, Saint Anthony Park United Methodist Church, Saint Paul, Minnesota

## 1968

### Kathleen (Ruthenberg) Bryant

- Music Major
- Project Manager, General Dynamics Information Technology, Silver Spring, Maryland
- 1966–1967 Presser Scholar Award, Gustavus Adolphus College

### Carol (Palmquist) Grimmer

- Music Major
- North Mankato, Minnesota
- 1967–1968 Presser Scholar Award, Gustavus Adolphus College

### Jean (Magnusson) Nye

- Music Major
- Master of Science in Early Childhood Education, Minnesota State University-Mankato, Mankato, Minnesota
- Master of Theology, Lutheran School of Theology, Chicago, Illinois

### Bobette (Woehler) Schauer

- Music Major
- Retired Music Teacher, Gibbon-Fairfax-Winthrop Schools, Winthrop, Minnesota

### Arvid Zenk

- Music Major
- Master of Business Administration, University of Utah, Salt Lake City, Utah

## 1969

### Anne (Larson) Fritsche

- Music Major
- Piano Teacher, Rochester, Minnesota

### Elizabeth Heppner

- Music and Physical Education Majors
- Master of Arts, University of Northern Colorado, Greeley, Colorado

### Shirley (Borg) Re

- Music Major
- Teacher's Aid, Pierce Elementary, Brookline, Massachusetts
- 1968–1969 Presser Scholar Award, Gustavus Adolphus College

### Rachel (Moberg) Stark

- Music Major
- Piano Teacher, Northfield, Minnesota
- 1968–1969 Presser Scholar Award, Gustavus Adolphus College

### John Wall

- Music Major
- Organist and Choir Director, Emerson Congregational United Church of Christ, Richfield, Minnesota

## 1970

### Steve Hoernemann

- Music Major
- Master of Arts in Music, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minnesota
- Co-Department Chair, Band and Orchestra Director, Brebeuf College Preparatory School, Indianapolis, Indiana
- 1968–1969 Presser Scholar Award, Gustavus Adolphus College

### Dr. Christine (Bendell) Hutton

- Music Major
- Master of Arts in Music, University of Illinois, Evanston, Illinois
- Doctor of Arts in Music, University of Northern Colorado, Greeley, Colorado
- Agent, State Farm Insurance Companies

### Janice (Femrite) Larsen

- Music Major
- Piano Teacher, Hastings, Minnesota

### Bonnie Lindgren

[fcsf.org/staff\\_directory](http://fcsf.org/staff_directory)

- Music Major
- Master of Music, Augustana College, Sioux Falls, South Dakota
- Director of Carol Choir, First Lutheran Church, Sioux Falls, South Dakota
- Director, Motion Choir, volunteer group of third and fourth grade girls from Carol Choir
- Author, Children's Service "From the Children"
- Vocal Music Teacher, Sioux Falls elementary schools for many years

### Nancy (Yard) Long

- Music Major
- Activity Director, Morningside Heights Care Center, Marshall, Minnesota
- 1969–1970 Presser Scholar Award, Gustavus Adolphus College

### Dr. Byron Schwab

- Music Education Major
- Master of Education, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minnesota
- Doctor of Education Administration, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minnesota
- Music Teacher: Senior High, Junior High and Elementary schools in Cottage Grove, Minnesota
- Principal, Pilot Knob Elementary School, Eagan, Minnesota
- Principal, Greenwood Elementary School, River Falls, Wisconsin

### Nancy (Knox) Wellington

- Music and Biology Majors
- Author of *Yugoslav Folk Music*, Volume 46 of Student Project for Amity Among Nations, published Gustavus Adolphus College
- Choral Accompanist, Monroe High School, Monroe, Wisconsin
- Organist/Choir Director, Saint Paul's Episcopal Church, Beloit, Wisconsin
- Spanish Language Teacher, Elmwood School System, Elmwood, Wisconsin

## 1971

Susan Johnson

[www.youtube.com/watch?v=mJ4LVPL8pbI](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mJ4LVPL8pbI)

- Music Major
- Choir Director, Sigourney Community Schools, Sigourney, Iowa

Ron Olsen

- Music Education Major
- Master of Arts in Music Education, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minnesota
- Band Director, Irondale High School, New Brighton, Minnesota
- Developed one of the most renowned marching bands in the country, the Marching Knights
- 1970–1971 Presser Scholar Award, Gustavus Adolphus College

Constance (Baer) Youngdahl

[anoka.k12.mn.us/education/staff/staff.php?sectionid=29595](http://anoka.k12.mn.us/education/staff/staff.php?sectionid=29595)

- Music Education Major
- Master of Education, Saint Mary's University of Minnesota, Winona, Minnesota
- Music Teacher, Coon Rapids Middle School, Anoka-Hennepin Independent School District, Coon Rapids, Minnesota

## 1972

Vail (Rollings) Belgard

- Music and Business Majors
- Advertising Assistant, The Land Magazine, Garden City, Minnesota

Dr. Doug Dungey

[mankatofreepress.com/local/x1938325049/40-years-of-City-Mouse](http://mankatofreepress.com/local/x1938325049/40-years-of-City-Mouse)

- Music Major (deceased)
- Member: City Mouse and Lost Walleye Orchestra, Mankato Minnesota

Victoria (Johnson) Goplin

- Music Major
- Master of Arts in Curriculum and Instruction, University of Saint Thomas, Saint Paul, Minnesota
- Adjunct Faculty, Education Leadership, Luther Seminary, Saint Paul, Minnesota
- 1971–1972 Presser Scholar Award, Gustavus Adolphus College

Donna (Jacobson) Peterson

- Music Major
- Master of Arts in Music Education, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minnesota
- Music Teacher CTE/GLE, Centennial Independent School District, Circle Pines, Minnesota

Roberta (Nyberg) Shimensky

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- Music Major
- Bachelor of Science, Music Therapy, Arizona State University, Phoenix, Arizona
- Music Director and Organist, Hilltop Gospel Choir and Chancel Choir, Hilltop United Methodist Church, Salt Lake City, Utah
- Retired Faculty Member: Westminster College, Salt Lake City, Utah, Women's Choir, Chamber Singers, Chamber Orchestra, and Piano Instructor
- Private Voice Studio, Sandy, Utah
- Assistant Conductor/Pianist, Kennedy Center Imagination Celebration of Salt Lake, world premiere of Libby Larsen's opera Dreaming Blue, 2002; Conducting Fellow, Dennis Keene Choral Festival 2000-03; Guest Conductor, Salt Lake Symphony; Utah Opera Chorusmaster, Madama Butterfly, 2001; Member, Utah Opera Chorus
- Keyboardist for the former OPUS Chamber Orchestra and Salt Lake Symphony; Accompanist for Utah Opera's "Opera-in-the-Schools"

(William) Billy Steiner

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- Political Science Major
- Sales, Radio Mankato
- North Mankato City Council Member, Fifth consecutive Four-Year Term
- Vocalist and Harmonica Player; City Mouse and Lost Walleye Orchestra, Mankato, Minnesota
- Minnesota Music Hall of Fame 2002 Inductee
- Founder, City Mouse, 2007 Inductee Mid America Music Hall of Fame; 2008 and 2012 Favorite Music Group, Mankato Free Press Readers Choice Award

## 1973

Johnny Broughton

- Music Major
- Lithonia, Georgia

John Cornell, Esq.

- Music Education Major
- Doctor of Law (Juris Doctor), William Mitchell College of Law, Saint Paul, Minnesota
- Master of Business Administration (in progress), University of Saint Thomas-School of Business, Saint Paul, Minnesota
- Underwriting Counsel, Old Republic National Title Insurance Company, Minneapolis, Minnesota
- Former Music Director of numerous church choirs, English Handbell Choirs, and instrumental ensembles

Teresa (Hayes) Crowley

- Music Major
- Master of Arts in Occupational Therapy, Saint Catherine University, Saint Paul, Minnesota
- Occupational Therapist, Worthington Independent School District, Worthington, Minnesota

David Erickson

- Music Major
- Brooklyn Center, Minnesota

Cheryl (Holm) Frie

- Music Major
- Oakdale, Minnesota

Adele (Gunvaldson) Giusto

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- Music and Biology Majors
- Master of Arts in Interdisciplinary Studies, Keyboard Performance and Psychology, Western New Mexico University, Silver City, New Mexico
- Music Teacher and Pianist, Cobre Consolidated Schools, Silver Lake, New Mexico
- Western Institute for Lifelong Learning, Organ exploration course
- Assistant Treasurer, Grant County Community Concert Association, New Mexico
- Keyboard Teacher and Public School Music Teacher
- Performer and Coordinator; Good Shepherd Recital Series
- 1972–1973 Presser Scholar Award, Gustavus Adolphus College

Joanne McConnell-Barnes

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- Music Education Major
- Piano and French Horn
- Graduate study emphasizing Orff and Kodaly, University of Saint Thomas, Saint Paul, Minnesota
- Elementary School Music Specialist

### Kelvin Miller

- Music Education Major
- Vice President Public Relations, Event Management, Promotions, Lifetouch, Incorporated, Eden Prairie, Minnesota

### Wayne Morris

- Music Major
- Instrumental Music Teacher, Kenyon/Wannamingo Independent School District, Wanamingo, Minnesota

### Muriel Selen

- Music Major
- Bachelor of Arts in Hospital Administration, Saint Scholastica, Duluth, Minnesota
- Transcription Automation Specialist, Essential Health, Duluth, Minnesota

### Marcia Stephens

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- Music Major
- Master of Library Science, Master of Business Administration in Accounting, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minnesota
- Associate Financial Advisor, Ameriprise: Richard G. Gerczak, Arden Hills, Minnesota

### Kristine (Herbst) Webster

- Music Major
- Soil Tester and Bookkeeper, Webster Excavating, Incorporated, Ellsworth, Wisconsin
- Personal Banker, Associated Bank, Ellsworth, Wisconsin

## 1974

### Paula Beth Anderson

- Music Education Major
- Associate in Science/Nursing, University of Bridgeport, Bridgeport, Connecticut
- Graduate study in Health Administration, Hofstra University, Hempstead, New York
- RN Staff Nurse, Hennepin County Medical Center, Minneapolis, Minnesota

### James Corbett

- Music Major

### The Rev. Molly Doreza

- Music Major
- Master of Divinity, Nashotah House Episcopal Seminary, Nashotah, Wisconsin
- Lutheran Studies, Lutheran School of Theology, Chicago, Illinois
- Pastor, Vernon Evangelical Church, Mukwonago, Wisconsin

### Kenneth Hamrum, Esq.

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- Music Major
- Master of Arts, Ball State University, Muncie, Indiana
- Doctor of Law (Juris Doctor), University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minnesota
- Attorney, Kenneth Hamrum Law Office, Morris, Minnesota

### Janet Johnson

- Music and Nursing Majors
- Patient Education Specialist, Mayo Clinic, Rochester, Minnesota

### Jean Johnson

- Music Major
- Director for Worship and Music, Redeemer Lutheran Church, Minneapolis, Minnesota
- Pianist, Singer, Choral Director



#### Dr. Claudia (Evarts) Kittock

- Music Education Major
- Ph.D. in Education/Music/Child Psychology, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minnesota
- Professor of Psychology, Saint Mary's University of Minnesota and Anoka-Ramsey Community College, Cambridge Campus, Minneapolis, Minnesota

#### The Rev. Steven Kottke

- Music Major
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- High School Choir Director, Music Department Chair
- Minnesota Choral Director of the Year 2010 (American Choral Directors Association)
- 2004 Minnesota Music Educators Association Music Educator of the Year
- 2006 State Finalist for Minnesota Teacher of the Year
- 2010 Lifetime Achievement Award from the Prior Lake Patrons of the Arts and Activities.
- Recipient, Independent School District 719 Secondary Teacher of Excellence Award 1976

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- Baritone saxophone, big band which specializes in the music from the 30’s and 40’s
- Church Choir, Piano and Organ.
- 1977–1978 Presser Scholar Award, Gustavus Adolphus College

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- Two-time winner of Pavarotti Award, Metropolitan Opera’s National Council auditions.
- New York City Opera Debut Artist of the Year Award after first year in NY
- Master of Music, Vocal Performance, Eastman School of Music, Rochester, NY
- Performance repertoire includes the history of opera, from Cavalli, Bach, and Mozart, to Puccini, Verdi, and Richard Strauss, and the premieres of operas by composers such as Dominick Argento, Leonard Bernstein, Carlyle Floyd, and Lowell Liebermann
- Memorable performances of recent years have included Tenors 4U concerts, a fun-filled romp as Frederic in *Pirates of Penzance* in Florida, a “Holiday of Musicals” in Guatemala City, Don Ottavio in *Don Giovanni* at the Lincoln Center with the Met, an acclaimed stand-in for Don Jose for the Chicago Lyric Opera’s *Carmen*, and Nicias in an exotic Palm Beach production of *Thais*
- After spending three years in the Houston Opera Studio, he joined the ensemble, which performed Leonard Bernstein’s *A Quiet Place* at the Kennedy Center, La Scala, and Vienna Staatsoper before recording the opera for Deutsche Grammophon
- Early career under the guidance of Beverly Sills at the New York City Opera, performed the title role of *La Clemenza di Tito*, Don Ottavio in *Don Giovanni*, Pinkerton in *Madama Butterfly*, and many others, including the premiere of Argento’s *Casanova*
- Santa Fe Opera, a renowned center for progressive opera, repertoire included Flamand in *Capriccio*, Tamino in *Die Zauberflöte* and roles in the American Premiere of von Bose’s *The Sorrows of Young Werther* and Siegfried Matthus’s *Judith*. Other roles included Henry Morosus in *Die Schweigsame Frau*, the Steuermann in *Der fliegende Holländer*, in Strauss’s *Friedenstag* and *Feuersnot*, and other exciting world premiere performances
- Additional companies include the Opera Theatre of Saint Louis, Connecticut Opera, Dallas Opera, Houston Grand Opera, Minnesota Opera, Boston Lyric Opera, Portland Opera, Opera Columbus, Opera Omaha, Spoleto Festival USA, and the Colorado Festival
- European engagements include the Vienna Volksoper where he performed leading roles in operettas and Mozart operas and toured Japan. Later joined the Vienna Staatsoper as Count Almaviva in *Il Barbiere di Siviglia*. He made his Opéra de Nantes debut as Belmonte in *Die Entführung aus dem Serail* and returned in a later season as Count Almaviva in *Il Barbiere di Siviglia*

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- Feature article in November 2009 issue of Classical Singer
- Founder of renowned Ensemble Phoenix Munich
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- Varied careers include teaching choir in the Bronx to leading jazz ensembles in Germany
- Performed with Waverly Consort in New York, Boston Camerata as Bass Soloist and Lutenist
- Opera roles: Osmin, *Entführung aus dem Serail*, W. A. Mozart; Sarastro, *Zauberflöte*, W. A. Mozart; Plutone, *L'Orfeo*, C. Monteverdi; Seneca, *L'incoronazione di Poppea*, C. Monteverdi; Varo, *Ezio*, G. F. Händel
- Roles: Vancouver Summer Festival: Plutone, *L'Orfeo*, Claudio Monteverdi, Stephen Stubbs, Musical Director; New York City: OJ Simpson, *Nicole and the Trial of the Century*, Anthony Newman, Composer and Conductor; Salzburg Festspiele: Männer, *Aufstieg und Fall der Stadt Mahagonny*, Kurt Weill, Dennis Russel Davies, Conductor; New York, Washington, DC: Anonymous Jesus, Raising of Lazarus, Frederick Renz, Musical Director; Hong Kong Arts Festival: Rolan, *L'Orfeo*, C. Monteverdi, Frederick Renz, Musical Director; New York: Mercurio, *L'incoronazione di Poppea*, C. Monteverdi, Gwendolyn Toth, Musical Director; Australia: Anonymous Courtier, *Daniel and the Lions*, Frederick Renz, Musical Director

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- 2000 Minnesota's "Composer of the Year," Minnesota Music Academy
- 2001 combined choir and orchestra of 300 Gustavus Adolphus College students premiered the *Nobel Symphony*. Commissioned by Gustavus to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Nobel Prizes, the monumental 75-minute work is comprised of six movements — one for each of the Prizes
- Known for Orchestral, Choral and Chamber Music, including Ecoscores and multimedia works, written in celebration of the natural world
- More than 100 compositions, orchestra, chorus, chamber ensemble, ballet and PBS films.
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- Jazz Vocalist, Recording Artist in the United States and Europe
- Finalist for McKnight Foundation Fellowship Award for Performing Musicians administered by MacPhail Center for Music for her jazz debut album in 2000
- Vocalist with Bend in the River Big Band from 1995 to 2002. While singing with the Big Band, Kim was the only American Soloist selected to tour with the legendary Swedish Jazz composer, Nils Lindberg, for the debut of Lindberg's "Requiem," a jazz-infused composition for big band, 60-voice choir, and three soloists
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- 1996 Minnesota American Choral Directors Association, Young Choral Director of the Year Award
- Adjudicator, Clinician and Guest Conductor
- Professional Singer; Minnesota Valley Chorale, Musicorum and operatic role as the mother in *Hansel and Gretel*, Mankato Symphony Orchestra
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- Jazz CD *A Blanket of Blue*
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- Studio Musician, fiddle and mandolin, Producer
- Critically acclaimed recording project Arrival 1998
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- Grammy Awards: Best Jazz Vocal Album: *Dedicated to You*
- Grammy Nominations:
  - Best Jazz Vocal Album: *The Gate*
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  - Best Jazz Vocal Album: *Man in the Air*
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  - Best Jazz Vocal Album: *Live in Chicago*
  - Best Jazz Vocal Performance: *This Time It's Love*
  - Best Jazz Vocal Performance: *The Messenger*
  - Best Jazz Vocal Performance: *Close Your Eyes*
- Best Instrumental Arrangement Accompanying a Vocalist “Dedicated to You” from *Dedicated to You* (Arrangement by Laurence Hobgood)
- Best Instrumental Arrangement Accompanying a Vocalist “Easy Living” from *Flirting With Twilight* (Arrangement by Kurt Elling and Laurence Hobgood)
- *DownBeat* Critics Poll Winner: Male Vocalist of the Year-2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011
- Critics Poll Winner: Talent Deserving Wider Recognition-1997, 1998, 1999, 2000
- Readers Poll Winner: Male Vocalist of the Year-2002, 2004, 2006, 2008, 2009, 2011
- *JazzTimes* Readers’ Poll: Male Vocalist of the Year-1998, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2008, 2010, 2011
- Jazz Journalists Association
- Male Singer of the Year-2000, 2002, 2006, 2007, 2009, 2010, 2011
- *JazzWeek*: Vocalist of the Year-2006
- Record of the Year: *The Gate*-2011
- Académie du Jazz de Paris, Prix Billie Holiday: *The Messenger*
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- Co-chair for the North Central American Choral Directors Association 2010 Men's Honor Choir and 2009 Tenor Section Coach for the All-State Men's Choir
- Tenor Soloist: Minnesota Chorale, VocalEssence, The Oratorio Society of Minnesota, The Minnesota Orchestra, The Choral Arts Ensemble of Rochester, The Oregon Bach Festival, Normandale Lutheran Church, Mount Olivet Lutheran in Minneapolis

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- Co-founded Tuned In to Learning
- Co-founder, Critical Beats for non-profit fund raising for Amazon conservation and sustainable education intertwining music from current and indigenous artists
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- Composer for Pel Music Publications, Marinette, Wisconsin
- Gustavus senior, “Chorale and Fugue on Slane” first place Instrumental Division, Minnesota Music Educators’ Association Collegiate Composition Competition
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- Music Major
- Singer, Songwriter, Guitarist, and Farmer
- Member: Trimmed Hedges, Pharoahs of Rhythm
- CD Recordings *A Simple Life on Land* and *Tales From the Buffalo Blue Stem*
- “We Belong to the Earth” 2008 Honorable Mention Independent Singer-Songwriter Association
- Television: MTV’s *The Hills* and *Road Rules*, Lifetime’s *America’s Psychic Challenge*, Oxygen Network’s *Bad Girls*
- 2008 Stone Arch Festival, Mid-America Music Festival, Red Gorilla Music Festival

### Cindy (Brincks) Juhl

- Music Major
- Homemaker (Andy Juhl is husband)

### John Juhl

- Music and Computer Science Majors
- Software Testing, Aatrix Software, Grand Forks, North Dakota
- Drummer for Andy Juhl

### Melissa Klaas

- Music Major
- Operations Coordinator, Emerald City Theater, Chicago, Illinois

### Misti Koop

- Music Education Major
- Master of Arts in Theater Arts, University of North Dakota, Grand Forks, North Dakota
- Professional Singer/Dancer/Musician/Actor
- *Jesus Christ Superstar* National Tour, Burning Hills Singer, *The Medora Musical!* (Medora, outdoor amphitheater), Smith Family Dinner Theater, Grand Majestic Theater, ArtsPower Touring Company
- Entertainer: Singer, Dancer, Saxophonist, Actor

### Ben Leroy

- Music Major
- System/Network Engineer, Minneapolis Public Schools, Minneapolis, Minnesota
- Professional Horn player, Mankato Symphony Orchestra, Mankato, Minnesota
- Apple Certified Technician

### The Rev. Paul Miller

- Music and History Majors
- Master of Divinity, Luther Seminary, Saint Paul, Minnesota
- Pastor, Saint Andrew Lutheran Church, Canyon Lake, Texas

### Colin Mullen

- Music and Psychology Majors
- Brewer, Barley John’s Brew Pub, New Brighton, Minnesota

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- Music Major
- Associate of Science in Recording, Full Sail University, Winter Park, Florida
- Audio Engineer/Producer, Freelance Audio Engineer, Brown Hound Music + Sound, Raleigh-Durham, North Carolina



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- Music Honors
- Master of Music in Clarinet Performance, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, Illinois
- Master of Music in Musicology, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, Illinois
- Ph.D. in Musicology, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, Illinois
- Middle School Band Director, Nativity of Mary School, Bloomington, Minnesota
- Co-Artistic Director and Singer, Mila Vocal Ensemble, Saint Paul, Minnesota
- Private Woodwind Studio

### Chris Rupp

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- Music Major
- Home Free Vocal Band, Composer and Arranger
- 1st Place Harmony Sweepstakes Chicago Regional
- CDs: *Live from the Road*, *Kickin' It Old School*, *From the Top*, and *Christmas Vols. I and II*

### The Rev. Anna (Garbisch) Sorenson

- Music and Religion Majors
- Master of Divinity, Princeton Seminary, Princeton, New Jersey
- Master of Sacred Theology, The Lutheran Theological School, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
- Pastor, French Creek Lutheran Church, La Crosse, Wisconsin.

### Chris Wagener

- Music Major
- Director of Youth and Family Ministry, King of Glory Lutheran Church, Boise, Idaho

### Erin Winchell

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- Music Major
- Master of Arts in Education, Minnesota State University – Mankato, Mankato, Minnesota
- Music Teacher, Minnesota Online High School, Saint Paul, Minnesota
- French Horn with South of the River Community Band and Dakota Brass Quintet
- Private Studio

### Dr. Angela Ziebarth

- Music and Biology Majors
- Doctor of Medicine, University of South Dakota, Vermillion, South Dakota
- Instructor, Graduate Medical Hospital, University of Alabama, Birmingham, Alabama
- 2001–2002 Presser Scholar Award, Gustavus Adolphus College

## 2003

### Dave Adolphson

- Computer Science Major
- Solution Architect, Capella Education University, Minneapolis, Minnesota
- Principal Trombone, Rochester Symphony Orchestra and Chorale, Rochester, Minnesota

### Christine Anderson

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- Music Major
- Owner, Wedding Floral Designer, Christine's Floral Touch, Minneapolis, Minnesota

### Jenny (Lingle) Beer

- Music and English Majors
- Director of Performance Consulting, Education Partners Incorporated, Denver, Colorado

### Andrew Hasty

- Music Major
- Music Teacher and 9–12 Choir, Sauk Rapids Rice Independent School District, Sauk Rapids, Minnesota

### Dr. Nathan Kennedy

- Music Honors
- Master of Arts in Music Theory, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minnesota
- Master of Music in Piano Performance, University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wisconsin
- Doctor of Musical Arts in Collaborative Piano and Coaching, Minor in Music Theory, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minnesota
- Adjunct Instructor of Music Theory, Concordia University, Saint Paul, Minnesota
- Private Piano Studio, Accompanist
- 2002–2003 Presser Scholar Award, Gustavus Adolphus College

### Ben Marti

- Music Major
- Professional Pianist, Accompanist
- Ben Marti Jazztet, Mankato Symphony Orchestra, Southern Minnesota REAL Big Band and several others
- Family-owned Morgan Creek Vineyards, New Ulm, Minnesota

### Kerstin McEwen

- Music and Scandinavian Studies Majors
- Administrative Assistant, Immanuel Lutheran Church, Loveland, Colorado

### Eric Parrish

- Music Major
- Master of Arts, University of Northern Colorado, Greeley, Colorado
- Instructor of Music/Theater, Minnesota West Community and Technical College, Granite Falls, Minnesota

### Daniel Roeder

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- Music Major
- Master of Arts in Composition, University of Iowa, Iowa City, Iowa
- Composer, Tenor, Teacher, Accompanist
- Recent works include *The Boy in Black*, a full-length musical in collaboration with New York playwright Tony Meneses, and “Flight to Varennes,” a concert dance piece in collaboration with Philadelphia based choreographer Rain Ross

### Annie (Johnson) Selander

- Music Major
- Therapeutic Recreation Assistant, Inver Grove Good Samaritan Center, Inver Grove Heights, Minnesota

## 2004

### Elisabeth Axtell

- Music Honors and English Majors
- Master of Music in Horn Performance, Boston University, Boston, Massachusetts
- Co-Founder Grand Harmonie
- Senior Development Associate, Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, Boston, Massachusetts
- 2003–2004 Presser Scholar Award, Gustavus Adolphus College

### Neil Batchelor

- Music and History Majors
- Sales Engineer, Telvent, Denver, Colorado

### John Cook

- Music Honors
- Director of Bands, Oglivie Public School District, Oglivie, Minnesota

### Erinn Danielson

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- Music and Psychology Majors
- Children's Hospitals and Clinics of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minnesota
- Therapeutic Recreation Assistant/Music Therapist
- Master of Arts in Music Education-Music Therapy, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minnesota
- Secretary, Music Therapy Association of Minnesota

### Rachel DeVille

- Music Major
- Manager, Lone Spur Grill and Bar, Minnetonka, Minnesota

### Jana (Parobek) Grim

- Music Major
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- Music Honors
- Master of Music in Viola Performance, University of Colorado, Boulder, Colorado
- Development Manager, Individual Relations, Mile High Chapter, American Red Cross, Denver, Colorado

### Karen (Gennrich) Lewis

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- Account Coordinator, Young America Corporation, Young America, Minnesota

### Nathaniel Orpen, Esq.

- Political Science and History Majors
- Doctor of Law (Juris Doctor), William Mitchell College of Law, Saint Paul, Minnesota
- Licensing Specialist, Rasmussen College, Bloomington, Minnesota
- Percussionist, Saint Peter Choral Society, Saint Peter, Minnesota

### Adam Rupp

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- Music Honors
- Home Free Vocal Band
- 1st Place Harmony Sweepstakes Chicago Regional
- CDs: *Live from the Road*, *Kickin' It Old School*, *From the Top*, and *Christmas Vols. I and II*
- First place vocal percussionist titles, Denver National Harmony Sweepstakes and Chicago National Harmony Sweepstakes

### Candice (Cosens) Sikel

- Music Major
- Homemaker
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### Andrew Thill

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- Music Major
- Jordan, Minnesota

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- Music Major
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### Rachel (Seely) Ward

- Music Major
- Legal Assistant, Eckberg, Lammers, Briggs, Wolff, and Vierling PLLP, Stillwater, Minnesota

### Jeni (Kilby) Wojahn

- Music and Psychology Majors
- Retail Buyer, 5 Swans, Wayzata, Minnesota

### Sara (Kilby) Wright

- Art Major and Music Minor
- Private Piano and Graphic Arts, Minnetonka, Minnesota

### Melissa Wulf

- Music and Religion Majors
- Employee Retention Coordinator, Advance Services Incorporated, Norfolk, Nebraska

## 2005

### Beth Andert

- Music and English Majors
- Trainer, CapTel, Madison, Wisconsin

### Dr. Jolene (Johnson) Armstrong

- Music and Honors Physics Majors
- Master of Science in Physics, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minnesota
- Ph.D. in Physics, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minnesota
- Assistant Professor of Physics, Saint Catherine University, Saint Paul, Minnesota

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- Music Honors and Computer Science Majors
- Violin/Viola Instructor, Saint Joseph's School of Music, Saint Paul, Minnesota
- Section Viola, Duluth Superior Symphony Orchestra
- Principal Viola, Buffalo Community Orchestra
- Private Studio, Coon Rapids

### Dr. Dana Barron

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- Music Honors
- Master of Arts in Musicology, Indiana University, Bloomington, Indiana
- Ph.D. in Musicology, Indiana University, Bloomington, Indiana
- 2012 Dissertation research travel, Italy, Seminario Maggiore in Aosta and the Castello del Buonconsiglio in Trent, "Continental Scribes and the Reception of Fifteenth-Century English Mass Music."
- 2004–2005 Presser Scholar Award, Gustavus Adolphus College

### Marissa (Wold) Bauck

- Music and English Majors
- Project Manager, Augsburg Fortress Publishers, Minneapolis, Minnesota

### Josh Carlson

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- Music Major
- Drummer, Jacob Martin Band
- Percussion Instructor, MacPhail Center for Music, Minneapolis, Minnesota
- Freelance Percussionist/Drummer
- Member: Minnesota Percussion Trio, Duluth Symphony Orchestra, Duluth, Minnesota
- Clinician: Minnesota Youth Symphonies, Organ Donors (Rock Trio)

### Beth (Wojahn) Feltes

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- Music Major
- Family Ministry Team Director, Prince of Peace Lutheran, Burnsville, Minnesota
- Piano Teacher

### Paul Fraser

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- Music and Computer Science Majors
- Master of Fine Arts in Composition, California Institute of Technology
- Composer, Sound Designer, Performer, Curator, Los Angeles, California
- Winner – 2005 California Institute of Technology Composition Contest
- Scorer/Sound Designer/Orchestrator: Newsweek, Whole Foods, Alloy Digital, Pubertina webseries
- Film: Slamdance Film Festival (UT), London International Animation festival, Art Monastery Short Film Festival (Italy)
- Instrumental, choral, theater/dance: Getty Center (LA), New York City Electroacoustical Festival, REDCAT Winter Studio (LA), the S.E.M. Ens. Workshop (NY City), Saint Magnus Festival (Scotland)
- Assistant Web Editor and Writer for ‘24700’ News Blog, California Institute of the Arts

### Jillian Hiscock

- Music Major
- Master of Education, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minnesota
- Assistant Director of Admissions, College of Saint Benedict/Saint John’s University, Collegeville, Minnesota

### The Rev. Johanna Johnson

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- Music and Religion Majors
- Master of Divinity, Yale University, New Haven, Connecticut
- Pastor, Bethlehem Lutheran Church of Penfield and Saint Martin Lutheran, Webster, New York
- It was in the spring of her junior year of High School that Johanna was diagnosed with Hodgkin’s lymphoma. She spent the summer undergoing chemotherapy and radiation treatment.
- The Make-a-Wish Foundation offered her, as a child battling a life-threatening illness, the opportunity to “make a wish.” An avid oboe player, she wished for the chance to sit in the midst of a great symphony orchestra. The end result was an invitation from Joseph Robinson, principal oboist of the New York Philharmonic, to perform with the Philharmonic, Avery Fisher Hall, New York. The New York Times and several television and radio networks covered Johanna’s experience extensively
- She was especially thrilled when Joseph Robinson accepted her invitation to play with her on her senior recital

### Brady Krusemark

- Music Major
- High School Band Director, Mankato West High School, Mankato, Minnesota
- Assistant Director, Lancers Drum and Bugle Corps, Mankato, Minnesota

### Carmen Leger

- Music Major
- 5-12 Band Director, Lakeview Public Schools, Cottonwood, Minnesota

### Travis Lennox

- Music Major
- Assistant Engineer, Two Fish Recording Studios, Mankato, Minnesota

### Amanda Lodermeier

- Music Major
- Graduate work, Drexel University, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
- Elementary Education Manager, Way to Grow, Minneapolis, Minnesota

### Laura Pieper

- Music Major
- Woodwind Repair Technician, Groth Music Company, Minneapolis, Minnesota

### Christine Ruggles

- Music Major
- Music Teacher, Eduardo Mata Elementary School, Dallas, Texas

### Laura (Johnson) Stelter

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- Music and English Majors
- English As A Second Language Teacher, Shattuck-Saint Mary's School, Faribault, Minnesota

### Lesli (Huettl) Sutor

- Music Major
- Master of Education, Saint Mary's University of Minnesota, Winona, Minnesota
- 4th–5th Grade Music Teacher, Spring Lake Park Independent School District, Spring Lake Park, Minnesota

### Jenn (Hagen) Trygg

- Music Major
- Piano Teacher, Vadnais Heights, Minnesota

## 2006

### The Rev. Seyward (Mattson) Ask

- Music Major
- Master of Divinity, Luther Seminary, Saint Paul, Minnesota
- Associate Pastor, Christ the King Lutheran Church, Cumming, Georgia

### Sara Burns

- Music and History Majors
- Graduate Certificate in Nonprofit Management, University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee
- LL Law Student, New England Law | Boston
- Previously: Administrative Assistant, Wisconsin Conservatory of Music, Milwaukee, Wisconsin

### Sara Butwinick

- Music Major
- Ph.D. Graduate Student in Vocal Music, University of Iowa, Iowa City, Iowa

### Brandon Darcy

- Music Major
- Band, Choir, K–12 Music Teacher, Campbell-Tintah Public Schools, Campbell, Minnesota

### Chad Fothergill

- Music Major
- Master of Arts in Organ Performance, University of Iowa, Iowa City, Iowa
- Doctor of Musical Arts in Musicology (in progress), University of Iowa, Iowa City, Iowa
- Director of Music Ministries, Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, Iowa City, Iowa
- Cantor of Christ Chapel and Visiting Instructor in Music 2009-2012
- Previously Dean of the University of Iowa Chapter of the American Guild of Organists (AGO), Education Chair of the Sioux Trails Chapter AGO, Vice President for Region III of the Association of Lutheran Church Musicians (ALCM)
- Staff Member: Iowa Summer Music Camps and the Lutheran Summer Music Academy and Festival. From 2010–2012, he was Vice President for Region III of the Association of Lutheran Church Musicians
- 2005–2006 Presser Scholar Award, Gustavus Adolphus College

### Jonathan Grimsby

- Music Major
- Milwaukee, Wisconsin

### Aaron Hanson

- Music and Political Science Majors
- Internet Client Advisor, BMW of Minnetonka, Minnetonka, Minnesota

### Ana (Sietsema) Hulzebos

- Music and Latin Majors
- Substitute Teacher
- Accountant, American Guitar and Band, Maple Grove, Minnesota
- Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church, Chisago City, Minnesota

### Mark Iverson

- Sociology and Anthropology Major
- Server, Rustico, Neighborhood Restaurant Group, Arlington, Virginia
- U.S. Marine Corps Drum and Bugle Corps, Washington, D.C.

### Amy Janssen

- Music Major
- Open Book/ABE Coordinator, Math Lab Instructor, Focus Points Family Resource Center, Denver, Colorado

### Katie (Fillius) McClave

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- Music Honors
- Master of Music in Vocal Performance and Pedagogy, University of Colorado, Boulder, Colorado
- Co-Director, Dana V Music, Louisville, Colorado
- Internship in vocal health and rehabilitating injured voices, Fairview Voice Center for Voice Education and Therapy, University of Minnesota, Fairview Medical Center
- Private Voice and Piano Studio; accompanying

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- Political Science Major
- Member: Thuringer Salon Quintet and Thunder Bay Symphony
- Member and Guest Associate Concertmaster, South Dakota Symphony, Duluth-Superior Symphony Orchestra
- Principal Violinist, Music Saint Croix, Stillwater, Minnesota
- Minnesota Sinfonia
- Minnesota Orchestra (substitute)

### Emily Najjar

- Music Major
- Technical Support Director, Healthsense, Mendota Heights, Minnesota

### Nick Palmer

- Music and Psychology Majors
- Debt Loan Acquisition Analyst, National Loan Acquisition Co., Lake Oswego, Oregon

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- Art History Major
- Professional Singer: ERC Registry Artist – A Cappella, Americana, Contemporary, Jazz, Folk, Gospel & Spiritual, Multi-Cultural
- Administrative Assistant, Bottom Line Lawyers, Auburn, California

### Shannon Schultze

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- Music Major
- Master of Music in Cello Performance, Illinois State University, Normal, Illinois
- Buffalo Suzuki Strings
- Cello Instructor

### Charlotte Seibel

- Music and Theatre Majors
- Morris, Minnesota

## Todd Swingle

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- Music Honors
- Composer, Theorist, Percussionist, Bassist
- Master of Music, Lamont School of Music, University of Denver, Denver, Colorado
- Instructor of Music History, Colorado Mountain College, Glenwood Springs, Colorado
- Lecturer of Music Theory, Lamont School of the University of Denver, Denver, Colorado
- 2009 Anne Culver Lamont Student Composition Prize Winner led to commissioned composition *To be...* by The Playground Ensemble

## Eric Wilberg

- Music and Psychology Majors
- Master of Arts in Business Administration, University of Colorado, Denver (expected 2014)
- Consulting Associate, Multicare Consulting Services (hospital health care industry), Chicago, Illinois

## Dawn Michelle (Gehlar) Williams

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[finearts.blog.gustavus.edu/2011/06/06/dawn-gehlbar-williams-06-music-story-telling](http://finearts.blog.gustavus.edu/2011/06/06/dawn-gehlbar-williams-06-music-story-telling)

- Music and Communication Studies Majors
- Composer, Recording Artist, Teacher, Pianist/Vocalist
- CD Recordings: *Facing Forward*, *Dawn Michelle Williams*, *Christmas Dreams*, and *Inspirations*
- Collaborative Pianist, Private Studio

## 2007

### Amanda (Nehotte) Barrie

- Music Major
- Shift Supervisor, Caribou Coffee Company

### Katherine (Johns) Bergman

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- Music Major
- Master of Arts in Music Composition and Saxophone Performance, University of Northern Iowa, Cedar Falls, Iowa
- Composer and Freelance Saxophonist, Minneapolis, Minnesota
- Saxophonist, Caprice Saxophone Quartet, 1st Things 1st, and the Encore Wind Ensemble

### Greg Dokken

[armstrongchoirs.org/private-voice-lessons.html](http://armstrongchoirs.org/private-voice-lessons.html)

- Music Honors
- Master of Arts in Vocal Performance, University of Minnesota-Duluth, Minnesota
- Professional Singer and Voice Teacher
- Roles: Dulcamara in *L'Elisir d'Amore*, Tonio in *I Pagliacci*, Count Almaviva in Glensheen's production of *Le Nozze di Figaro*, Ford in Verdi's *Falstaff*, and 2nd Philistine in *Samson et Dalila* with the 2008 Sieur Du Luth Summer Arts Festival, Rev. Baines for the University of Minnesota's production of *Elmer Gantry*
- Baritone Soloist: Beethoven's *Choral Fantasy* and Brahms's *Requiem* with the Duluth Superior Symphony Orchestra
- Recipient, 2009–2010 Baake Choral Scholarship, Duluth-Superior Symphony Orchestra Chorus

### Sandra (Stehman) Eisenbarth

- Music Major
- Master of Arts in Music Education, Boston University, Boston, Massachusetts
- 6-8th Grade Choral Teacher
- Montgomery County Public Schools, Montgomery, Maryland



### Chris Fogderud

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- Music Major
- Master of Arts, American Band College (Ashland, Oregon) of Sam Houston State University
- Director of Bands, Brainerd High School, Brainerd, Minnesota
- Member: Heartland Symphony Orchestra and the Odyssey Brass Quintet.

### Jessica Halvorson

- Music and Communication Studies Majors
- Pre-K Lead, Music, and Spanish Teacher, Primrose School of West Plymouth, Plymouth, Minnesota

### Kristen Heider

- Music Major
- Office Manager, Theater Latte Da, Minneapolis, Minnesota

### Ryan Ike

- Music Major
- Master of Arts in Music Composition, San Francisco State University, San Francisco, California
- Composer, Santa Clara, California
- Piano and Percussion Teacher
- Composer for media projects; video games, film, documentaries, and websites. He has written for a wide variety of projects, including independent films, the Berlin and Beyond Film Festival, and a documentary for the San Jose Ballet, the soundtrack for “Gunpoint,” an indie game by Tom Francis

### Sarah Johnson

- Music Major
- Music Teacher, Bloomington Independent School District, Bloomington, Minnesota

### Liz (Jaede) Lindner

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- Music Teacher, Sun Path Elementary and Jackson Elementary, Shakopee Public Schools, Shakopee, Minnesota

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- Music Major
- 9-12 Choir Director and AP Music Theory Teacher, Willmar Independent School District, Willmar, Minnesota

### Alison (Fast) Molony

- Music Major
- Inside Sales Manager, Ramada Plaza and Suites, Fargo, North Dakota

### Ben Richter

- Music Major
- Youth Ministry Director, Mount Calvary Lutheran Church, Excelsior, Minnesota
- Freelance Musician, Minneapolis, Minnesota

### Justin Schramm

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- Music Major
- Band Director, Prior Lake High School, Savage, Minnesota
- Member: Grand Symphonic Winds and Minnesota Philharmonic Orchestra.
- Manager: Concert and Recital Series, Lutheran Summer Music Academy and Festival

### Lindsay Schultz

- Music Major
- Master of Music in Horn Performance, Western Illinois University, Macomb, Illinois

### Lisa Skarbakka

- Music Major
- Master of Arts in Music Therapy, University of Kansas, Lawrence, Kansas
- Music Therapist, University of Minnesota Medical Center, Fairview, North Memorial Health Care, Minneapolis, Minnesota

### Dr. Alexander Zupan

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- Music Honors and Mathematics Majors
- Master of Science in Mathematics, University of Iowa, Iowa City, Iowa
- Ph.D. Mathematics, University of Iowa, Iowa City, Iowa
- NSF Post-doctoral Fellowship and Instructor, University of Texas, Austin, Texas
- Author, Mathematics Researcher, Pianist
- 2006–2007 Presser Scholar Award, Gustavus Adolphus College

## 2008

### Rachel Braband

- Music Major
- Master of Music in Clarinet Performance, Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, Illinois

### Katie (Patterson) Brugger

- Music Major
- Albany, Wisconsin
- AmeriCorps

### Sam Eckberg

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- Music Major
- Meadowvale Elementary School, Elk River, Minnesota
- Classroom Music Teacher
- Member: The Singers: Minnesota Choral Artists (world class choral ensemble instituted after Dale Warland ensemble disbanded)

### Adam Eckhardt

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- Communication Studies Major
- Professional Development Manager, Sonic Management Group, Executive Director, Take the Hill Triathlon, and Executive Director, Take The Hill Triathlon, Minneapolis, Minnesota
- Member: Kantorei, Professional A Cappella Choral Ensemble, Saint Paul, Minnesota

### Brian Fahey

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- Music Major
- General Manager, Minnesota Choral Artists, Minneapolis, Minnesota

### Christopher Forsberg

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- Finance Major
- Financial Advisor at UBS Financial Services, Incorporated, Minneapolis, Minnesota
- Fiddler, The Boys N' The Barrels (Bluegrass Band)
- CDs: *The Bottom of the Barrel* and *The Boys N' The Barrels*

### Jessica Gehrke

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- Music Major
- Bold Public Schools, Bird Island Elementary, Bird Island, Minnesota
- Elementary Band/Music Teacher

### Stacie Handahl

- International Management Major
- Account Operations Consultant, General Mills, Saint Louis Park, Minnesota
- Professional Development Manager, Sonic Management Group, Executive Director, Take the Hill Triathlon, and Executive Director, Take The Hill Triathlon, Minneapolis, Minnesota

### Andrew Jensen

- Music Major
- Master of Arts in Music Education, University of Saint Thomas, Saint Paul, Minnesota
- Director of Bands, Triton Public High School, Dodge Center, Minnesota
- Conductor of Owatonna Community Band, Owatonna, Minnesota
- 2007–2008 Presser Scholar Award, Gustavus Adolphus College

### Evan Morud

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- Management Major
- Loan Documents Specialist, Wells Fargo Home Mortgage, Minneapolis, Minnesota
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- Music Major
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- Master of Arts in Music Therapy, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minnesota
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- Public Relations, Target Corporation, Minneapolis, Minnesota
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- Master of Music, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minnesota
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- Music Major
- Master in Choral Music Education, University of Saint Thomas, Saint Paul, Minnesota
- 6–7 Band/Choir Director, Vandenburg Middle School, Elk River, Minnesota

### Matt Wilberg

- Music Honors
- Indiana University student, Bloomington, Indiana

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- Music Major
- Master of Music, Illinois State University, Normal, Illinois
- Viola, Sinfonia da Camera, Bloomington/Normal, Illinois
- Principal Viola, Illinois State University Symphony Orchestra
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## 2009

### Sara Halberg

- Music and Management Majors
- Administrative Assistant for Institutional Advancement, Viterbo University, La Crosse, Wisconsin

### James Ihrke

- Music Major
- Jazz Bassist
- Member: Ben Marti Jazztet and several other Jazz and Bluegrass groups
- Recipient, Emerging Artist Grant, Prairie Lakes Arts Counsel and the McKnight Foundation, Mankato, Minnesota

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- Development Assistant, Weisman Art Museum, Minneapolis, Minnesota

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- Master of Music in Trumpet Performance, University of South Dakota, Vermillion, South Dakota
- Doctor of Musical Arts (in progress), University of Kansas, Lawrence, Kansas

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- Music Major
- Indian Head Park, Illinois

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- Music Major
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- History Major
- Administrative Assistant, Myers Thompson P.A., Minneapolis, Minnesota
- Playwright, *TROY! A Musical*, Minnesota Fringe Festival

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- Music Major
- Director of Bands 5–12, Fosston School District, Fosston, Minnesota

### Mark Wamma

- Music Honors
- Violinist, Mankato Symphony Orchestra, Mankato, Minnesota
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- Music Honors
- Master of Music, Choral Conducting, University of Colorado, Boulder, Colorado
- Doctorate of Musical Arts, Choral Conducting and Literature, University of Colorado, Boulder, Colorado
- Director of Collegiate Chorale, University of Colorado, Boulder, Colorado
- 2008–2009 Presser Scholar Award, Gustavus Adolphus College

## 2010

### Kathryn (Casey) Bennett

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- Music Major
- Vocal Music Teacher, Centennial Middle School, Lino Lakes, Minnesota

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- Master of Arts in Music Therapy, University of Iowa, Iowa City, Iowa
- Barista, Barnes and Noble, Iowa City, Iowa

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- Consultant, Boom Lab, Minneapolis, Minnesota
- Guitarist/Bassist Freelance
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- 9-12 Vocal Music Teacher, Elizabeth High School, Elizabeth, Colorado
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- K-12 Music Teacher, Glen Ullin Public School, Farmington, Minnesota

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- Music Honors
- Bachelor of Arts in English, Augsburg College, Minneapolis, Minnesota
- Paraprofessional (special education), elementary school, Vermillion, South Dakota
- Composer, Arranger, Pianist: two symphonies finished and various arrangements
- 2009–2010 Presser Scholar Award, Gustavus Adolphus College

### Matt Olson

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- Financial Economics Major and Music Minor
- Healthcare Consultant, Accretive Health, Minneapolis, Minnesota
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- Music Major
- Online Marketing Specialist, Network Medics Inc, Minneapolis, Minnesota
- Piano Instructor, Mankato, Minnesota

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- Director of High School Band and Choir, Marshall County Central Schools, Newfolden, Minnesota

## 2011

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- Music Major
- Master of Music in Horn Performance, University of Minnesota School of Music, Minneapolis, Minnesota
- Lakes Area Music Festival Orchestra Member, Brainerd, Minnesota

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- Jordan High School and Middle School Band Director, Jordan, Minnesota
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- Music Major
- Co-Owner, River City Eatery, Windom, Minnesota
- Private Music Studio; Voice, Piano, Guitar lessons and Songwriter, Windom, Minnesota

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- Student and Research Assistant, Department of Statistics, Iowa State University

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- Admissions Connection Specialist, Full Sail University, Orlando, Florida

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- Music Major
- Master of Music in Choral Conducting, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minnesota (Expected 2014, with teaching licensure)
- Director of Music, Calvin Presbyterian Church, Orono, Minnesota
- 2010–2011 Presser Scholar Award, Gustavus Adolphus College

### Abbie Johnson

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- US Navy, Flute/Piccolo, Virginia Beach, Virginia
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- Philosophy Major
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- Private Studio, Saint Paul, Minnesota
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### Rachel Peters

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- Music Major
- Flute Instructor and Director of Flute Choir, Community School of the Arts, Austin Peay State University, Clarksville, Tennessee
- Published Composer: Strings, Winds, and Chamber Orchestra
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### Sean Prichard

- Music Major
- Teaching ESL: English as a Second Language, Seoul, Korea
- Freelance Percussionist and Composer

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- Piano Teacher and Administrative Assistant, Wirth Center for the Performing Arts, Saint Cloud, Minnesota

### Ben Wolf

- Music and Physics Majors
- Master of Science in Architectural Acoustics, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, New York
- Acoustician, Daly-Standlee and Associates, Beaverton, Oregon

## 2012

### Chad Allen

- Psychology Major
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### Brittany Barkholtz

- Music Honors
- RIC Contact and Program Assistant with ReconcilingWorks, Saint Paul, Minnesota

### Chris Duhaime

- Communication Studies Major and Music Minor
- Assistant Digital Project Manager, Manning Digital, Chicago, Illinois
- Specialist, Apple, Incorporated, Chicago, Illinois

### Yanna Georgas

- Music Major
- Early Music Education Instructor, School for Rock, Inver Grove Heights, Minnesota

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- Music Major
- Orchestra Director, Wayzata Middle School West and Central, Wayzata, Minnesota

### Devon Marschall

- Music Major
- Teller, New Market Bank, Prior Lake, Minnesota

### Andrew Phillips

- Music Major
- Substitute Teacher, Kelly Services

### Brittney Raasch

- Music and French Majors
- Master of Music in Horn Performance (in progress), Indiana University, Bloomington, Indiana.

### Nicole Wamma

- Music Honors
- Flood Mitigation Field Data Collector, Hazard Mitigation Branch, FEMA Joint Field Office, New York, New York
- Orchestral Bassist, formerly with Mankato Symphony Orchestra, Mankato, Minnesota
- Bassist, Piano Teacher
- 2011–2012 Presser Scholar Award, Gustavus Adolphus College

## 2013

### Michael Asmus

- Music Major
- Harpsichord study with Asako Hirabayashi, St. Paul, Minnesota
- Professional Accompanist, Gustavus Adolphus College

### Anna Giles

- Vocal Performance Music Major and Theatre Minor
- Intern, teach and tutor English language, United International College, Zhuhai, China. Plans to start a music club teaching American Song

### Tim Grev

- Music Major
- Applying to graduate schools and preparing orchestral audition excerpts

### Elizabeth Hauer

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- 5–12 Band Director, Sleepy Eye, Minnesota
- 2012–2013 Presser Scholar Award

### Stephen Hilding

- Music Major
- Master of Divinity (in progress), Luther Seminary, Saint Paul, Minnesota

### Camille Jarvis

- Music Major
- Disaster Response and Recovery, AmeriCorps NCCC-FEMA Corps, Baltimore, Maryland

### Daniel Olson

- Music Education Major
- Applying for teaching positions

### Joseph Thomas

- Music Education Major
- Applying for teaching positions

### Joseph Turner

- Music Major
- Applying for teaching positions

### Benjamin Whalen

- Music and Religion Majors
- Lutheran Volunteer Corps, Habitat for Humanity, Minneapolis/Saint Paul, Minnesota
- Pursue a career in Youth Ministry



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