

MATTHEW HARRISON

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Education

The New England Conservatory, Boston, Massachusetts, 2011
Master of Music with a concentration in vocal performance
Dean's List, 2009, 2011

James Madison University, Harrisonburg, Virginia, 2009
Bachelor of Music with a concentration in piano and music education

Current Employers

Hamden Hall Country Day School, Hamden, Connecticut, 2014 - present
Director of Middle and Upper School Choral Activities

St. Peter's Episcopal Church, Cheshire, Connecticut, 2018 - present
Director of Choirs and Organist

Professional Affiliations

National Association for Music Educators (NAfME), Connecticut Music Educators Association (CMEA)
State Executive Board, Membership Chair, 2016 - 2019
Southern Regional Honor Choir Chairperson, 2016 - present
All State Honor Choir Chairperson, 2017 - present
Vocal Czar (revolutionized state adjudication), 2016 - present

American Choral Directors Association (ACDA), Connecticut Chapter
President-Elect, 2019, President, 2020, Past-President, 2021
State Executive Board Member, Liaison Committee, 2017 - 2019
Connecticut Choral Director of the Year, 2018

Actors Equity Association Member, 2005 - present

Collegiate Teaching Experience

Quinnipiac University, Hamden, Connecticut, 2005 - 2010
Music Director for Performing Arts Department productions

Western Connecticut State University, Danbury, Connecticut
Teaching Assistant for voice studios, 2005-2007
Staff accompanist for voice studios & Lecturer for Music Theater Department

The University of Hartford, Hartford, Connecticut, 2005, 2009
Hartt School of Music: Lecturer on music theatre topics/audition workshops

Relevant Teaching Experience

The Madison Beach Club, Madison, Connecticut, 2017 - present
Director and Music Director of "Madison Beach Club Follies"

Church of the Holy Spirit (Episcopal), West Haven, Connecticut, 2014 - 2018
Organist and Choir Director

Manassas City Public Schools, Manassas, Virginia, 2011 - 2014
Osborn High School, Director of Choral Activities
MCPS First Year Teacher for the Year 2012

The Neighborhood Music School, New Haven, Connecticut, 2006 - 2018
Music Director of Audubon Arts Summer Program, 2006 - 2016
Vocal Faculty, Piano Staff for Cabaret Classes, 2015 - 2018

Composition

Glacier National Park Artist in Residence, June 2018
Published through Pavane (distributes through Hal Leonard)
Glacier Suite included on the 2019 Voices of Distinction Hal Leonard Catalogue
Cultural anthropological work with the Confederated Salish and Kootenai Reservation

Original Works commissioned and premiered by Rhode Island and Connecticut Music Educators Associations All State Choirs

Performances

Yale Institute of Sacred Music
Contracted Guest Artist, tenor, 2016 - present
Schola Cantorum, Recital Choirs

Guest Conductor
Ledyard Public Schools, "Celebrate Singing," 2019
CMEA Northern Regional Middle School Treble Honor Choir, 2018
Loudoun County Virginia, All County Men's Honor Choir, 2014
Fauquier County Virginia, All County Middle School Mixed Honor Choir, 2014

Collaborative Pianist
Rhode Island Jr. All State Mixed Choir, 2019
CMEA All State Treble Choir, 2018
National Association for Music Educators All National Choir (piano primo), 2017