

Akela Franklin

Soprano & Music Educator

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Education

Master of Music, Vocal Performance | Longy School of Music of Bard College | 2018
Bachelor of Music, Vocal Performance | University of Puget Sound | 2015
Alexander Technique Teacher Training Certification | Boston Conservatory at Berklee | proj. 2024

Teaching Positions

Brookline Music School | Brookline, MA | 2022-present
❖ Voice Faculty, Vocal Discovery Instructor.
Community Music Center of Boston (CMCB) | Boston, MA | 2020-present
❖ Early Childhood & Elementary Department Faculty Instructional Lead
❖ Voice, ECH/ELEM, and CEP General Music Faculty
Akela Franklin Voice Studio | Boston Area | 2018-present
❖ Instructor of voice and music theory

Congregational Choral & Solo Engagements

Park Avenue Congregational Church | Arlington, MA | September 2022-present
❖ Soprano Section Leader and Soloist
Freelance/Substitute Soprano Section Leader & Soloist | Boston Area | March 2022-present
St. Mary's Catholic Church | Holliston, MA | April-June 2022
❖ Temp Soprano Section Leader
First Unitarian Universalist Society in Newton | Newton, MA | 2018-2022
❖ Soprano Soloist & Choral Ringer, Children's Music Coordinator.

Operatic Roles (❖ denotes partial role/scene)

Quatrième Esprit | *Cendrillon* | Promenade Opera Project | 2018
Surintendant des Plaisirs | *Cendrillon* | Promenade Opera Project | 2018
Ghita | *Der Zwerg* | Longy School of Music Opera Workshop | 2018
❖ Béatrice | *Béatrice et Bénédicte* | Longy School of Music Opera Workshop | 2017
Otilie | *The Finishing School* | Longy School of Music Opera Workshop | 2017
❖ Donna Elvira | *Don Giovanni* | Longy School of Music Opera Workshop | 2016
Alice | *Le Comte Ory* | University of Puget Sound Opera | 2015
Second Witch | *Dido & Aeneas* | Lefkada Music Week (Greece) | 2014

Awards

Marilla MacDill Prize for Teaching Excellence and Community Service | CMCB | 2021

Teachers

Carol Mastrodomenico
Christina Kowalski
Audrey Howitt

Coaches

Brian Moll
Libor Dudas
Jane Struss

Directors

Carol Mastrodomenico
Dan Rogers
Dawn Padula

Conductors

Jeffrey Brody
Anne Watson Born
Gerard Morris