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**Date of Birth:** 4<sup>th</sup> March 1974

## EDUCATION

**Master of Music in Performance, 2001**

Shenandoah University, Winchester, VA

**Bachelor of Music in Performance, 1999**

Shenandoah University, Winchester, VA

## ADDITIONAL TRAINING

**Summer Training Program, 2007**

International Lyric Academy, Rome, Italy

## PRINCIPAL TEACHERS

**Patricia Miller:** George Mason University

**Jason Stearns:** Metropolitan Opera

**Bard Suverkrop:** Shenandoah University

**Janette Ogg:** Shenandoah University

## ACADEMIC AWARDS AND HONORS

Cecilia Award for Vocal Excellence, Shenandoah University

1999

## VOCAL TEACHING EXPERIENCE

**Singer and Music Teacher, Outreach Singing Group "Singing A - Z", Washington, DC**

2006-Present

Betty Buchanan, Music Director - Bass section leader and music teacher for non-profit outreach chorus. Bringing music to public schools in Northeast and Southeast Washington, DC, including Anacostia. Teaching basic elements of music to at-risk children who have limited access to music education and performance, culminating in an interactive concert in selected schools during the spring.

**Private Voice Lessons**

2003-Present

MISSION - Helping a student to discover his or her natural voice through positive reinforcement, healthy vocalise exercises, and sensitivity to the unique qualities and characteristics of each individual voice. Developing positive vocal health habits

by focusing on a holistic life approach to singing, and placing strong emphasis on the mind/body connection to singing. Specialties include working with students who have self-confidence issues, especially regarding voice changes during teenage years, shyness, and stage fright.

## PERFORMANCE EXPERIENCE

### Operatic Roles

Saint Peter	<i>Too Many Sopranos</i>	George Mason University, Fairfax, VA	2007
Warder	<i>The Dark Lady of the Sonnets</i> (World Premiere)	George Mason University, Fairfax, VA	2007
Peter	<i>Hansel and Gretel</i>	Bel Cantanti Opera, Washington, DC	2005
Fiorello	<i>Il Barbiere di Siviglia</i>	Bel Cantanti Opera, Washington, DC	2005
King Melchior	<i>Amahl and the Night Visitors</i>	Bel Cantanti Opera, Washington, DC	2004
Count Ceprano	<i>Rigoletto</i>	Bel Cantanti Opera, Washington, DC	2004
King Melchior	<i>Amahl and the Night Visitors</i>	Bel Cantanti Opera, Washington, DC	2003
Schaunard	<i>La Bohème</i>	Bethesda Summer Music Festival, MD	2003

### Opera Chorus

<i>Porgy &amp; Bess</i>	Washington National Opera, Washington, DC	2010
<i>Il Barbiere di Siviglia</i>	Washington National Opera, Washington, DC	2009
<i>Turandot</i>	Washington National Opera, Washington, DC	2009
<i>Carmen</i>	Washington National Opera, Washington, DC	2008

### Recitals and Events

Drew Nussbaum Opening at Newseum, Washington, DC <i>Press link: <a href="http://snarkinfested.com/2010/07/16/dc-premiere-of-drew-nussbaum/">http://snarkinfested.com/2010/07/16/dc-premiere-of-drew-nussbaum/</a></i>	2010
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## CHURCH MUSIC EXPERIENCE

<b>St John's Lafayette Square</b> - Washington, DC, Music Director, Benjamin Hutto St. John's Choir, Bass St. John's Parish Choir, Bass Section Leader Bass section of exclusive St. John's Choir of twelve professionals. Bass Section Leader of St. John's Parish Choir, providing leadership, support, and encouragement to members of the volunteer choir.	2008-Present
<b>Church of the Redeemer</b> - Baltimore, MD, Music Director, Henry Lowe, Robert Chrystal Cantor, Holy Week, "The Great Vigil of Easter"	2008-2009
<b>St. Albans Episcopal Church</b> - Washington, DC, Music Director, Sonya Sutton The Alban Singers, Bass Salisbury Choir, Bass Section Leader Bass section of The Alban Singers choir of professionals. Bass Section Leader of Salisbury Choir, providing leadership, support, and encouragement to members of the volunteer choir.	2007-2008

<b>Washington National Cathedral</b> - Washington, DC, Music Director, Michael McCarthy Choir of Men and Boys	2006-2007
<b>Washington National Cathedral</b> - Washington, DC, Music Director, Scott Hanoian Cathedral Voices Choir Bass, Section Leader Bass Section Leader of Cathedral Voices Choir, providing leadership, support, and encouragement to members of the volunteer choir.	2006-2007
<b>St. James' Episcopal Church</b> - Leesburg, Virginia, Music Director, Stephen Cooksey St. James' Choir Bass, Section Leader Bass Section Leader of St. James' Choir, providing leadership, support, and encouragement to members of the volunteer choir.	1997-2006

## MASTER CLASSES

Carol Vaness  
Ruth Drucker  
Louise McClelland Urban

## COACHES

Michael Crabill  
Katerina Souverova  
Janice Suverkrop

## CONDUCTORS

Julius Rudel  
John Mauceri  
Kerri-Lynn Wilson  
Michele Mariotti  
J. Reilly Lewis

## OTHER SKILLS

Authentic, idiomatic, nuanced diction proficiency in all major languages.  
Music Theater  
Acting  
Dance/Movement

## REFERENCES

References available upon request.