Nicole Asel, DMA

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Education

University of Colorado at Boulder: Doctor of Musical Arts, 2013, Voice

Performance and Pedagogy; Cumulative GPA: 3.96

University of North Carolina at Greensboro Master of Music, 2004, Voice Performance;

Cumulative GPA: 3.8

Ithaca College: Bachelor of Music, 2001, Voice Performance and

Music Education; Cumulative GPA: 3.28

Employment

Assistant Professor of Voice, Sam Houston State University

2016-present

- · Instruct undergraduate music education, music therapy and voice performance majors in weekly private lessons and weekly studio class.
- · Prepare students for junior and senior recitals.
- · Serve on recital committee for all voice majors presenting recitals
- Teach English and Italian Diction
- · Teach Fundamentals of Singing
- Academic Advising

Courses Taught:

Applied Voice

English and Italian Diction Fundamentals of Singing

Opera Scenes

Voice Teacher, Houston Grand Opera High School Voice Studio

2017-present

- Instruct High School Student, selected by regional auditions in weekly private voice lessons.
- · Prepare students for college auditions, performances representing Houston Grand Opera and monthly masterclasses with HGO artists.
- · Provide professional mentoring and career planning assistance
- · Teach masterclasses and adjudicate competitions on behalf of HGO

Assistant Professor of Voice, University of Texas -Rio Grande Valley

2012-2016

- · Instruct undergraduate music education and performance majors in weekly private lessons and weekly studio class.
- · Prepare students for sophomore, junior and senior recitals.
- Teach English, German, French and Italian Diction
- · Co-Director of Bravo Opera Company. The annual season included an educational outreach production of *Hansel and Gretel*, a Fall Opera Scenes Gala and a fully staged Spring Production.
- Academic Advising

Courses Taught:

Applied Voice

Diction I

Diction II

Chamber Opera

Opera Workshop

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Graduate Teaching Assistant, University of Colorado at Boulder

2010-2012

- · Instructor of voice majors in a weekly private voice lesson.
- · Conducts a studio voice class where each student performed and was coached in a master class setting.
- Class Voice Instructor: facilitate a group voice lesson with a focus on singing and musical basics culminating in a jury and recital style performance.
- · Worked as assistant to Motsumi Moteki in her French Diction for singers class. Included assessment of singers, lecturing and leading the class when needed.

Voice Faculty guest instructor, Ithaca College

March, 2012

- · Instructor of voice performance, music education and musical theatre majors in a weekly private voice lesson
- · Conducts a studio voice class where each student performed and was coached in a master class setting.

Opera Director, University of Colorado at Boulder

2010-2011

- · Responsible for the dramatic training in a role preparation class offered to undergraduate and graduate voice performance majors.
- Develop acting skills based on major performance methodologies.
- · Facilitate student's research and work as they learn an entire operatic role.
- Design and stage selections from each opera to be performed in a scenes program.

Assistant Director, University of Colorado at Boulder

2011

- · Acted as assistant to the Director for a production of Carlisle Floyd's opera, Susannah in Macky Performance Hall, a 3,000 seat venue.
- · Provided individual dialect coaching to cast members.
- · Was in charge of staging and directing a 30 person chorus.

Voice Instructor, Dana V Music

2010-2012

- · Weekly students, ages 10-55
- · Focus on classical and musical theatre repertoire
- · Students performed in End of Semester Recital twice a year.
- Students are active in community and school theatre productions, several are continuing to major in voice at the collegiate level.

Private Voice Studio: Boulder, CO/Greensboro, NC

2004-2012

- · Weekly students, ages 13-60
- · Focus on classical and musical theatre repertoire
- · Annual Studio Recitals
- Students have participated and won awards in local competitions and are active in many local performing groups and church ensembles

Adjunct Assistant Voice Professor, University of North Carolina at Greensboro 2004

• Taught weekly private voice lessons to voice and instrumental music education Master's candidates in the Summer Semester.

Focused on how knowledge of voice pedagogy could enhance their classroom teaching.

Graduate Teaching Assistant, University of North Carolina at Greensboro

2003-2004

- Taught weekly 1-hour private voice instruction to both undergraduate and graduate voice majors.
- · Conducted a studio voice class where each student performed and was coached in a master class setting.
- · Instructed and wrote curriculum for English, Latin, and Italian diction courses to both undergraduate and graduate music majors.

Voice Faculty, Rocky Mountain Center for Musical Arts

2007

- · Taught a class voice and repertoire class for adult singers
- · Conducted and rehearsed women's vocal ensemble

Stage Director

Awards

Second Place, 2014 National Opera Association Production Competition, Division I: *Die Zauberflöte*, Mozart

Third Place, 2014 National Opera Association Scenes Competition, Graduate Division: Voice Lesson Scene, *La Fille du Regiment*, University of Texas - Brownsville

Productions

Le Nozze di Figaro, Mozart: University of Texas - Brownsville, April 2012, Abridged, without recitative, in Italian

Americana Scenes Gala: University of Texas - Brownsville, November 2013

Scenes from *The Tenderland* (Copland), *Ballad of Baby Doe* (Moore), *Susannah* (Floyd), *Oklahoma* (R. Rodgers), *Annie Get your Gun* (Berlin), *Vanessa* (Barber), *the Valley* (Weill)

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Die Zauberflöte, Mozart: University of Texas - Brownsville, April 2013, Abridged, Sung in German, dialogue in English

Cinderella and Romeo and Juliet Scenes Gala: University of Texas - Brownsville, November 2014

Scenes from *West Side Story, Romeo e Juliette* (Gounod), *Capuletti e i Montecchi* (Bellini), *Cinderella* (R. Rodgers), *Cendrillon* (Viardot, Chaminade), *Cenerentola* (Rossini)

The Mikado, Gilbert and Sullivan: University of Texas - Brownsville, April 2015

Scenes Directed, University of Colorado, Boulder

l'incoranazione di Poppea, Monetverdi, Act I trio: Poppea, Ottone, Drusilla, 2010

Don Pasquale, Donizetti, Act I duet, Norina and Maletesta, 2010

Le Nozze di Figaro, Mozart, Act 2 Aria and Trio: Susanna, Contessa, Cherubino, Conte, 2010

Le Nozze di Figaro, Mozart, Act 4 aria and recitative: Barbarina, Figaro and Marcellina

Little Woman, Adamo, Aria: Things change Jo: Meg, Jo, Beth, Amy, Laurie, 2011

Little Women, Adamo, Aria: Have Peace, Jo: Beth, Jo, Mr. and Mrs. March, 2011

Little Women, Adamo, Finale: Jo, Meg, Beth, Amy, Friedrich Bhaer, 2011

Der Schauspieldirektor, Mozart, Trio: Frank, Madame Herz, Mademoiselle Silberklang, 2011

Die Zauberflöte, Mozart, Duet: Pamina and Papageno, 2011

Die Zauberflöte, Mozart, Trio, Pamina, Tamino and Sarastro, 2011

Die Zauberflöte, Mozart, Duet, Papageno and Papagena, 2011

Additional Teaching Experience

Public School Music Educator and Choral Conductor, Silver Hills Middle School: Adams 12 Five Star School District, Commerce City, CO (2008-2009)

Public School Music Educator and Choral Conductor, Kearney Middle School: Adams 14 School District, Westminister, CO (2006-2008)

Public School Educator, Millis Road Elementary Schools: Guildford County Schools, Greensboro, CO (2005-2006)

Voice Clinician and Guest Instructor, Legacy High School: Adams 2Five Star School District, Broomfield, CO (2007)

Voice Clinician and Guest Instructor, Broomfield High School, Boulder Valley School District, Broomfield, CO (2007)

Voice Clinician and Guest Instructor, Centarus High School, Boulder Valley School District, Lafayette, CO (2007)

Director of Youth Choirs: First Congregational Church, Ithaca, NY (2001-2002)

Director of "Kinder Arts" Program, Community School of Music and Arts, Ithaca, NY (2000)

Assistant Director of "Arts All Around You" Summer Program, Community School of Music and Arts, Ithaca, NY (2000)

Performance Experience: Concert Repertoire

Händel The Messiah, Valley Choral Artists, McAllen, TX (2015)

Honegger King David, University of Texas at Brownsville (2015)

Mahler Lieder Eines fahrenden Gesellen, University of Texas at Brownsville (2011)

Bach St. John's Passion: Augustana Arts Concert Series, Denver, CO (2010)

Mozart Requiem: Augustana Arts Concert Series, Denver, CO (2009)

Händel Messiah: Augustana Arts Concert Series, Denver, CO (2008)

Mozart Regina Coeli Augustana Arts Concert Series, Denver, CO (2008)

Mahler Rückert Lieder: UC Boulder, Boulder CO (2008)

Claussen A New Creation: Augustana Arts Concert Series, Denver, CO (2008) Haydn Missa Brevis in F: Saint Paul's Lutheran Church, Denver, CO (2007) Bach Christmas Oratorio: First Baptist Church, Greensboro, NC (2002)

Select Performances

| Mother | Amahl and the Night Visitors | Music on Site Opera | 2017 |
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| Clarina | La Cambiale di Matrimonio | Piccolo Festival, Italy | 2012 |
| Amadigi* | Amadigi di Gaula | Central City Opera Outreach Ensemble | * 2012 |
| Anna I* | Die sieben Todsünden | Central City Opera Outreach Ensemble | * 2012 |
| Elizabeth | Pride and Prejudice | University of Colorado (workshop) | 2011 |
| Carmen* | Carmen | Central City Opera Touring Company* | 2011 |
| Maddalena* | Rigoletto | Central City Opera Touring Company* | 2011 |
| Baba* | The Medium | Central City Opera Touring Company* | 2011 |
| Mrs. Lovett* | Sweeney Todd | Central City Opera Touring Company* | 2011 |
| Nettie Fowler | Carousel | University of Colorado | 2011 |
| Prince Orlofsky | Die Fledermaus | The Muses Creative Artistry Project | 2011 |
| Second Lady | Die Zauberflöte | The Muses Creative Artistry Project | 2010 |
| Carrie Madenda | Sister Carrie | University of Colorado (workshop) | 2010 |
| Mother | The Autumn Orchard | University of Colorado (workshop) | 2010 |
| Mrs. Gibbs | Our Town | University of Colorado | 2010 |
| Florence Pike | Albert Herring | University of Colorado | 2009 |
| Desiree Armfeldt | A Little Night Music | Colorado Light Opera Company | 2008 |
| Flora Bervoix | La Traviata | Opera Carolina | 2006 |
| Cherubino | Le Nozze di Figaro | Prelude to Performance | 2005 |
| Mary Stone | The Devil and Daniel Webster | Long Leaf Opera | 2005 |
| Dorabella | Cosi Fan Tutte | UNCG Opera Theatre | 2004 |
| Jo March | Little Women | UNCG Opera Theatre | 2003 |
| Meg Page | The Merry Wives of Windsor | UNCG Opera Theatre | 2003 |
| Mrs. Page | Amahl and the Night Visitors | UNCG Musical Arts Guild | 2002 |
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^{*}partial role performed

Academic Research

Performance Recital March, 2017

Late Afternoon by Ricky Ian Gordon Rocky Mountain CMS Conference

Poster Session January, 2017

Dia de los Muertos Hansel and Gretel National Opera Association Conference Presenter January, 2017 Cross Training: Building Expressive and Artistic Flexibility Across Different Genres Music Therapy Conference, Sam Houston State University Lecture Recital October, 2015 Song for Lulu by Rufus Wainwright Texoma NATS Conference Lecture Recital June, 2015 Music of Tin Pan Alley, Fall Island Vocal Seminar, SUNY Potsdam Lecture Recital Song for Lulu by Rufus Wainwright June, 2015 NATS Intern Program, Als Vegas, Nevada Masterclass and Adjudication Adjudicator Houston Grand Opera High School Voice Studio, Houston, TX January 2018 Masterclass Houston Grand Opera High School Voice Studio, Houston, TX August 2017 Clinician Raven Summer Opera, Movement Instructor August 2018 Clinician Sam Houston State University All State Camp, vocal instructor July 2018 Adjudicator Texas State Solo and Ensemble Competition, Austin, TX May 2017 Masterclass March 2017 Ithaca College, Ithaca, NY Adjudicator Klein Oak Solo and Ensemble Competition, Spring, TX February 2017 Clinician Montgomery High School All State workshop December 2016 Adjudicator Texas State Solo and Ensemble Competition, Austin, TX May 2016 Masterclass Fresno State University, Fresno, CA January 2016 Clinician James Pace High School All State workshop December 2015 Clinician James Pace High School All State workshop December 2015 Clinician December 2014 Lopez High School Solo Ensemble workshop Masterclass University of Wisconsin Au Claire January 2012 Masterclass Dana V Music, Louisville, CO Octorber 2011 Recital

Recitalist, Sam Houston State University

April 2018

New Music Festival, world premiere of music by Robert Spillman and Brian Graiser

Guest Recital, University of Texas A&M - Corpus Christi

March 2018

Music of Mahler, Faure, Britten, Aldridge and Carnelia

| Recitalist, Sam Houston State University Music of Jake Heggie, William Bolcom, and Robert Livingston Aldridge | February 2018 | |
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| Guest Soloist, Sam Houston State University | Nov. 2017 & April 2018 | |
| soloist with Wind Ensemble, Symphony #1 by Kyle Kindred | | |
| Guest Soloist, Sam Houston State University | October 2017 | |
| soloist with Women's Choir, Magnificat by Kim André Arnesen | | |
| Recitalist, Sam Houston State University | July 2017 | |
| Music of Reynaldo Hahn and Jason Robert Brown | ,, | |
| Faculty Recital, Sam Houston State University | April 2017 | |
| Music of Mahler, Faure, Britten, Gordon and Carnelia | | |
| Recitalist, Sam Houston State University | April 2017 | |
| New Music Festival, performed song cycle by Gabriela Frank | 1 | |
| Guest Recital, University of Texas - Rio Grande Valley | March 2016 | |
| Music of Ricky Ian Gordon and Lee Hoiby | | |
| Guest Recital, Ithaca College | March 2017 | |
| Music of Mahler, Faure, Britten, Gordon and Carnelia | | |
| Guest Recital, Cornell University | March 2017 | |
| Music of Mahler, Faure, Britten, Gordon and Carnelia | | |
| Faculty Gala, Sam Houston State University | September 2016 | |
| performed excerpt from Bizet's Carmen | 1 | |
| Voice Faculty concert, Houston, Texas | September 2016 | |
| Opera arias and art song favorites at The Centrum | | |
| Guest Recital, Sam Houston State University | March 2016 | |
| Music of Mozart, Brahms, Ravel, Spillman and Gordon | | |
| Faculty Recital, University of Texas - Rio Grande Valley | February 2016 | |
| Music of Mahler, Poulenc, Gordon and Wainwright | | |
| Guest Recital, Fresno State University | January 2016 | |
| Music of Mozart, Brahms, Hahn, Spillman and Gordon | ,y = | |
| Liederabend, Brownsville, Texas | December 2015 | |
| Brahms Liebeslieder Waltzes and chamber music | | |
| Chamber Music Festival, Edinburg, TX | September 2015 | |
| Music for Voice and Strings | 1 | |
| Robert Spillman in Recital, University of Texas - Rio Grande Valley | September 2015 | |
| Music for voice and piano | 1 | |
| Guest Recital Tour, Hot Springs Little Rock, and Texarkana, AK | September 2015 | |
| Opera and Musical Theatre with Muses Creative Artistry Project | 1 | |
| Faculty Recital, University of Texas - Brownsville | February 2015 | |
| Contemporary American Art Song | , | |
| Faculty Recital, University of Texas - Brownsville | September 2014 | |
| Music of Rossini, Schumann, Bolcom and Brahms | 1 | |
| Songs in Summer, Opera Fort Collins | August 2014 | |
| Duet Recital with John Robert Lindsey, opera highlights | O | |
| Faculty Recital, University of Texas - Brownsville | December 2013 | |
| Duet Recital with John Robert Lindsey, selections from Carmen | | |
| Guest Recital, Off Broadway School of Fine Arts, Boulder, CO | July 2013 | |
| Brahms Liebeslieder Waltzes, Wolf Lieder | • | |
| Faculty Recital, University of Texas - Brownsville | March 2013 | |
| Duet Recital with faculty. music of Faure, Weill, Ricky Ian Gordon | | |
| Songs in Summer, Opera Fort Collins | August 2012 | |
| Recital with John Robert Lindsey and Gregory Gerbrandt, opera highlights | | |
| Guest Recital, University of Texas - Brownsville | October2011 | |
| Recital with Faculty, music of Mahler | | |
| Guest Recital, Piccolo Festval, Trieste, Italy | August 2011 | |
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American Musical Theatre in concert

Guest Recital, Piccolo Festival, Maniago, Italy

August 2011

American Musical Theatre in concert

Guest Recital, Piccolo Festival, Trieste, Italy

August 2011

Celebration of Franz Liszt

Resident Artist Recital, Augustana Lutheran Church, Denver, CO February 2011

Quartet Recital of American Song

Resident Artist Recital, Augustana Lutheran Church, Denver, CO February 2010

Quartet Recital of Love Songs

Guest Recital, University of Colorado at Boulder

Chamber music of Brahms

Solo Recital, Winfree Memorial Baptist Church July 2008

Benefit Recital, music of DeFalla, RI Gordon, Britten

Additional Performing

Member of Augustana Vocal Ensemble, professional quartet: Denver, Colorado 2008-2010

Principal Teachers: Voice

Barbara Clark, Professor, Rice University

Patti Peterson, Professor, University of Colorado at Boulder

Margaret Lattimore, Professor, University of Colorado at Boulder

Robert Wells, Professor, University of North Carolina at Greensboro

Levone Tobin-Scott, University of North Carolina at Greensboro

Jerry Sienna, Professor, University of Illinois Champaign-Urbana

David Parks, Professor, Ithaca College

Coaches

Martina Arroyo, Barbara Bonney, Steven M Crawford, Charis Dimaras, Patrick Hansen, Andrew Harley, Patricia Misslin, Motsumi Moteki, Timothy Myers, Laura Poe, Arlene Shrut, Christopher Zemiliauskas,

Masterclasses

Sarah Arneson, David Aronsen, Mark Clark, Anthony Dean Griffey, Marcus Haddock, Thomas Hampson, Cynthia Hoffman, Leonard Hokansen, Darren Keith Woods

Special Instruction

James Brody, Alexander Technician, University of Colorado at Boulder

Marsha Paludan, Alexander Technician, University of North Carolina at Greensboro

Dr. Elizabeth Farr, Early Music Specialist, University of Colorado at Boulder

Recordings

January 2009

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World Premiere Recording, Robert Livingston Aldridge's Love Songs, Centaur Records, 2018

Distinctions

National Association of Teachers Intern, 2015 NATS Internship Program

Second Place, 2014 National Opera Association Production Competition, Division I: *Die Zauberflöte*, Mozart

Third Place, 2014 National Opera Association Scenes Competition, Graduate Division: Voice Lesson Scene, *La Fille du Regiment*, University of Texas - Brownsville

Awards, Scholarship and Honors

Semi-Finalist, Joy In Singing competition, New York, NY, 2018

Recipient, Faculty Research Grant, Sam Houston State University, 2017

Auditor, Fall Island Vocal Arts Seminar, Potsdam, New York, May 2015

Winner, Denver Lyric Opera Guild Competition, 2011

Winner, Ekstrand Graduate Honors Competition, University of Colorado at Boulder, 2011

Finalist, Rocky Mountain Regional Metropolitan Opera Competition, 2010

Finalist, Denver Lyric Opera Guild Competition, 2010

Finalist, Ekstrand Graduate Honors Competition, University of Colorado, 2010

Claudia Boettcher Merthan Scholarship, University of Colorado at Boulder, 2008-2010

Graduate Award and Teaching Assistantship, University of North Carolina, Greensboro 2002-4

First Place in National Opera Association Production Competition: Little Woman, 2004

NATS Semifinalist: Southeast Regional Competition, 2003

Best Leading Actress in a Musical (Desiree Armfeldt) 2008 Camera Eye Awards, Denver, CO

G. Schirmer Opera Sampler (released September, 2004): Excerpts as Jo March

Resident Artist, Opera Carolina: Charlotte, NC (2004-2005)

Young Artist, Martina Arroyo Prelude to Performance Inaugural Season (2005)