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PROFESSIONAL OPERA ENGAGEMENTS

Dew Fairy	<i>Hänsel und Gretel</i>	Greensboro Opera Company
Belinda	<i>Dido and Aeneas</i>	Elon Chamber Orchestra
Adele	<i>Die Fledermaus</i>	Greensboro Opera Company
Papagena	<i>Die Zauberflöte</i>	Opera Company of North Carolina; Greensboro Opera
Zerlina	<i>Don Giovanni</i>	Piedmont Opera Theatre
Nannetta	<i>Falstaff</i>	Greensboro Opera Company
Barbarina	<i>Le Nozze di Figaro</i>	Opera Carolina and Piedmont Opera
Papagena	<i>Die Zauberflöte</i>	Greensboro Opera Company
Marguerite	<i>Faust</i>	Brevard Music Festival
Mabel	<i>The Pirates of Penzance</i>	High Point Theater

Solo Oratorio/ Orchestral Engagements

Universita per Stranieri, Perugia Italy	Recital of American Music (June, 2008)
NC Museum of Natural Sciences	NC Premiere of <i>Wild Songs</i> by Steve Heitzeg; commissioned for the Wild Music Exhibit (September, 2007)
Greensboro Symphony Orchestra	Soprano Soloist; A evening in Vienna (November, 2007)
Greensboro Oratorio Society	Mendelssohn <i>Saint Paul</i> (April, 2008); Handel <i>Messiah</i> ; Brahms <i>Requiem</i>
Duke Chapel; Durham Choral Society	Honegger <i>King David</i>
Foundry Methodist Church, Washington, DC	Handel <i>Messiah</i> ; Solo for President Clinton (2000)
The North Carolina Symphony	Mahler <i>Symphony No. 2</i> "Resurrection"
AIMS Festival Orchestra in Graz, Austria	Donizetti <i>Don Pasquale</i> "Norina"
Elon University Orchestra	Orff <i>Carmina Burana</i> ; Handel <i>Messiah</i> ; Bach <i>Cantata BWV 51</i>
Greensboro Symphony Orchestra	Christine in <i>Phantom of the Opera</i> (Pops Concert)
Eastern Music Festival	Villa-Lobos <i>Bachianas Brasilieras</i>
Greensboro College/Salem College	Brahms <i>Requiem</i> ; Orff <i>Carmina Burana</i> ; Rutter <i>Requiem</i>
First Presbyterian Church of Greensboro	Scarlatti <i>Christmas Cantata</i> ; Rutter <i>Requiem</i> ; Schubert <i>Mass in G</i> ; Mozart <i>Requiem</i> ; Vivaldi <i>Gloria</i> ; Saint-Saens <i>Christmas Oratorio</i>

Recordings

Arnone Piatti: Siciliana, Etc/Moskowitz, Et AICD (2007)

Collaboration with Marc Maskovitz, cellist and member of the Boston Pops and Montague Music Society; Review in *American Record* December/January 2007.

Greensboro Youth Chorus Lullabies & Slumber Songs; Golden Slumbers Kiss Your Eyes by Tom Shelton (2005); Mark Manring, Recording Engineer; Collaboration with Greensboro Youth Chorus and Moses Cone Health System.

Awards

Shreveport Opera Singer of the Year Competition – Semi-Finalist
ORPHEUS VOCAL ARTIST COMPETITION - FINALIST (G.F. Handel Prize)
North Carolina NATS Artist Award 2000 winner- Regional level -alternate winner
MEISTERSINGER finalist; Graz, Austria
Metropolitan Opera National Council Auditions- Encouragement Award
Fort Worth Opera-Marguerite McCammon Award for Vocal Excellence

Teachers, Coaches and Conductors

Robert Bracey (current); Doris Yarick- Cross ; Elizabeth Colson; Nancy Walker
Joseph Giardina (Rome, Italy); Arlene Shrut; Benton Hess; Sylvia Plyler; Warren Jones; Nico Castel;
Evan Rogister; Joseph Colaneri; Valery Ryvkin; Lorenzo Muti; Gerhardt Zimmerman; Rodney Wynkoop

References available upon request