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OPERA

Lucy	<i>Treemonisha</i> • Joplin	Opera Orlando	2025
Hero	<i>Beatrice and Benedict</i>	Opera Orlando	2025
Lola+	<i>Cavalleria Rusticana</i>	Opera Orlando	2025
Sophie	<i>Werther</i>	Opera Orlando	2025
Noémi	<i>Cendrillon</i>	Opera Orlando	2025
Cendrillon (<i>role study</i>)	<i>Cendrillon</i>	Opera Orlando	2024
Lady in Waiting	<i>Macbeth</i>	Opera Orlando	2024
Nella	<i>Gianni Schicchi</i>	Finger Lakes Opera	2024
Florine+	<i>Two Corners</i> • Boykin	Finger Lakes Opera	2023
Rusalka+	<i>Rusalka</i>	Opera Ithaca	2023
First Wood-sprite	<i>Rusalka</i>	Opera Ithaca	2023
Turnspit	<i>Rusalka</i>	Opera Ithaca	2023
Mutter	<i>Hänsel und Gretel</i>	Temple Opera Theater	2022
Eliza	<i>Dark Sisters</i> • Muhly	Temple Opera Theater	2022
Countess Rosina Almaviva	<i>Le nozze di Figaro</i>	Temple Opera Theater	2020
Second Lady	<i>Die Zauberflöte</i>	Texas Tech Opera Theatre	2020
Rosalinde (<i>Covid-19 cancellation</i>)	<i>Die Fledermaus</i>	Varna International	2020
Countess Rosina Almaviva	<i>Le nozze di Figaro</i>	ACU Opera Theatre	2019
Lauretta	<i>Gianni Schicchi</i>	Red River Lyric Opera	2018
Suor Angelica	<i>Suor Angelica</i>	ACU Opera Theater	2017

CONCERT WORK

Featured Ensemble Member	<i>Defiant Requiem: Verdi at Terezín</i>	Opera Orlando	2024
Featured Soloist	<i>Out Loud at the M.A.G.</i>	Fingers Lakes Opera	2024
Featured Soloist	<i>A Singer's Singer</i>	Opera Ithaca	2023
Recitalist	<i>Lunch and a Song</i>	Central City Opera	2023
Featured Soloist	<i>Violetta Valéry, La traviata</i> • Verdi	Temple University Symphony Orchestra	2023
Soprano I Soloist	<i>Missa in C Minor</i> • Mozart	ACU A Cappella Chorus	2023
Soprano Soloist	<i>Messiah</i> • Händel	Amarillo Opera	2019
Soprano Soloist	<i>Messiah</i> • Händel	The Lubbock Chorale	2019
Soprano Soloist	<i>Requiem</i> • Fauré	ACU A Cappella Chorus	2018
Soprano Soloist	<i>Missa Sancti Nicolai</i> • Hadyn	ACU University Chorale	2017

PARTIAL ROLES & SCENES

Madeline	<i>Face on the Barroom Floor</i> • Mollicone	Central City Opera	2023
Fiordiligi	<i>Così fan tutte</i>	Central City Opera	2023
Countess Rosina Almaviva	<i>Le nozze di Figaro</i>	Central City Opera	2023
Norma	<i>Norma</i>	Temple Opera Theater	2023
Donna Anna	<i>Don Giovanni</i>	Temple Opera Theater	2023
Cunegonde	<i>Candide</i>	Castleton Festival	2023
Arabella	<i>Arabella</i>	Temple Opera Theater	2022
Carolina	<i>Il matrimonio segreto</i>	Temple Opera Theater	2022
Susannah Polk	<i>Susannah</i>	Temple Opera Theater	2021
Marschallin	<i>Der Rosenkavalier</i>	Texas Tech Opera Theatre	2020
Donna Anna	<i>Don Giovanni</i>	Taos Opera Institute	2017

SELECTED COMPETITIONS & AWARDS

Winner	Gigli International Opera Scholarship Competition	2023
Winner	Career Bridges Grant Awards • <i>Schuyler Foundation</i>	2023
Award Recipient	Temple University Symphony Orchestra Student Soloist Award	2023
Finalist	Opera Ithaca Edward M. Murray International Competition of Voice	2023
Semi-Finalist	Dallas Opera Guild Biennial Lonestar Vocal Competition	2023
Winner	Boyer College of Music and Dance Student Soloist Competition	2022
Third Prize Winner	Mario Lanza Institute Scholarship Auditions	2022
Award Recipient	John T. Douglas Fund for Young Artists	2022
Third Prize Winner	NATS Eastern Region • <i>CL 9 Advanced Classical Treble Voice</i>	2022
Regional Finalist	Metropolitan Opera National Council Audition • <i>Midwest Region</i>	2021
District Winner	Metropolitan Opera National Council Audition • <i>Tulsa District</i>	2021
Semi-Finalist	SAS Performing Arts Company Voice Competition	2021
Winner	Texas Tech University Concerto Competition • <i>Voice Division</i>	2020
Third Prize	NATS Texoma Region • <i>VII B Women</i>	2018
Third Prize	NATS Texoma Region • <i>VII A Women</i>	2017

EDUCATION & TRAINING

Opera Orlando • <i>Studio Artist</i>	2024-2025		
Finger Lakes Opera • <i>Tomita Young Artist</i>	2024		
Opera Ithaca • <i>Apprentice Artist Program</i>	2023	Temple University	2021-2023
Central City Opera • <i>Bonfils-Stanton Foundation Studio Artist</i>	2023	M.M. in Voice Performance	
Castleton Festival • <i>Vocal Immersion Program Resident Artist</i>	2023		
Red River Lyric Opera • <i>Young Artist</i>	2018	Abilene Christian University	2015-2019
Taos Opera Institute	2017	B.M. in Vocal Performance	

Skills: Basic stage combat training (sword/unarmed technique); beginner dance training (traditional, modern)

Voice: Kathryn Leemhuis, Alisa Jordheim, Rebecca Hays, Julie Pruet, Rick Piersall

Conductors: Keith Chambers, Brandon Eldredge, Brian Holman, Danielle Jagelski, Daniel Kleinknecht, Imre Pallò, Michael Sakir, Adam Turner

Coaches: Elise Auerbach, Michelle DeYoung, Susan Graham, Paul Groves, Christopher Turbessi

Directors: Ken Cazan, Dan Wallace Miller, Brandon McShaffrey, Ben Robinson, Ashraf Sewailam