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EDUCATION

2017 D.M.A., Voice Performance, University of Connecticut

Dissertation: "A Lyric Soprano in Handel's London: A Vocal

Portrait of Francesca Cuzzoni." Co-Major Advisors: Dr. Constance

Rock and Dr. Eric Rice

2005 M.M., Voice Performance, The Hartt School of Music

2002 B.A., Music, Brandeis University

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2019 – present The Hartt School of Music, West Hartford, CT

Private voice lessons Performance seminars

2018 – present University of St. Joseph, West Hartford, CT

Music History I and II

Fundamental Elements of Music Private piano and voice lessons

2007 – 2019 Manchester Community College, Manchester, CT

Private voice lessons

Class voice

Music appreciation 1 and 2

Class piano

Opera to Broadway performing ensemble

2016 – 2018 Naugatuck Valley Community College, Waterbury, CT

Private voice lessons

Class voice

2014 – 2017 The University of Connecticut, Storrs, CT

Instructor of Record for:

Music 1004 – Non-western music and world cultures

Music 1022 – Introduction to Music History 2, 1750 – present

2011 – 2014 Graduate Teaching Assistant, The University of Connecticut

Music 1004 – Non-western music and world cultures Music 1003 – Popular Music and Diversity in America

Music 1001 – Music Appreciation

Community School of the Arts – private voice lessons

2007-2008 Three Rivers Community College, Norwich, CT

Music appreciation

COURSES READY TO TEACH

Private voice lessons
Class voice
Vocal pedagogy
Vocal literature
Diction for singers (English, Italian, French, German)
Music history
Introduction to non-western music
Opera history
Class piano

NON-ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

2017 – present New England Music Camp, Sidney, ME

Chamber choir director, private voice lessons, music theory

2012 – present Hartford Opera Theater, Hartford, CT

Artistic Director

2009 – present Old St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, Bloomfield, CT

Music Director

DISSERTATION ABSTRACT

Francesca Cuzzoni (1696-1778) was part of Handel's brilliant cadre of Italian opera singers at the Royal Academy of Music in London between 1723 and 1728. Already one of the most famous singers in Europe, her arrival in London was highly anticipated, and the press followed her performances, personal life, and social activities closely. She was renowned for her superior portrayal of pathos, her rendering of laments and *cantabile* arias, and for the sheer beauty of her voice.

Handel wrote eleven opera roles for Cuzzoni during her tenure at the Royal Academy, most notably Cleopatra in *Giulio Cesare* and the title role in *Rodelinda*. This dissertation offers a vocal profile of the singer through a statistical analysis of the aria types, keys, tessituras, phrase constructions, meters, and tempi of the seventy-three arias. This analysis is combined with close readings of the descriptions of her singing by contemporaneous writers. and a comparison of Cuzzoni's roles with canonical roles from subsequent operatic repertoire for the soprano voice. Lastly, this study serves to

organize known information and establish a chronology of the singer's life, travels, significant performances, and other events.

LANGUAGES

French, basic conversational and reading comprehension Italian, basic conversational and reading comprehension German, reading comprehension

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Handel Society American Musicological Society National Association of Teachers of Singing (NATS) National Association of Teachers of Singing, Connecticut Chapter

REFERENCES

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Dr. Glenn Stanley, Professor of Music History University of Connecticut Department of Music 1295 Storrs Road, Unit 1012 Storrs, CT 06269-1012 Glenn.stanley@uconn.edu On sabbatical 2017-2018

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