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Curriculum vitae

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I. EDUCATION

- 2021 Ph.D. in Composition, Stony Brook University, Stony Brook, NY
 Composition with Matthew Barnson, Daria Semegen, and Sheila Silver; Analysis with Judith
 Lochhead; masterclasses with David T. Little and Matthew Aucoin
- 2013 M.M. in Composition, Boston University, Boston, MA
 Summa cum laude; Composition with Ketty Nez, Rodney Lister, Joshua Fineberg; analysis with
 David Kopp; masterclasses with Gunther Schuller, Salvatore Sciarrino, Phillipe Leroux; Boston
 University Symphonic Chorus (tenor), dir. Ann Howard Jones
- 2009 B.S. in Music Technology, Northeastern University, Boston, MA

 Magna cum laude; Composition with Dennis H. Miller, Ronald Bruce Smith, Mike Frengel:

 Songwriting with Peggy Seeger; Guitar with Junauro Langrebe; Northeastern University Chorus
 (tenor), dir. Joshua Jacobson

II. TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Wellesley College

Visiting Lecturer, Electronic and Popular Music (2025-present)

2026	MUS 277 Interactive Sound Art with Electronics, Spring 2026
2026	MUS 209/209 A History of Jazz, Spring 2026
2025	MUS 276 American Popular Music, Fall 2025
2025	MUS 275 Introduction to Electronic and Computer Music: Histories and Practices

Merrimack College

Adjunct Lecturer, Music (2021-present)

2025	MUS 2310 Music History I: Antiquity to Baroque
	Jail Education Project, Middlesex House of Correction and Jail, Spring 2025
2023	MUS 1330 Survey of American Music (The Hip Hop Generation)
	Jail Education Project, Middlesex House of Correction and Jail, Fall 2023
2022-2023	MUS 3320 Songwriting
	Jail Education Project, Essex & Middlesex House of Correction and Jail, Fall 2022,
	Spring 2023, Summer 2023

2022	MUS 1310 The Nature of Music: The Art of Listening, Fall 2022, Spring 2022
2022	MUS 1320 The History of Rock and Roll (Rock, Pop, and Society), Spring 2022
2021	MUS 1330 Survey of American Music, Fall 2021
2021	MUS 2310 Music History I: Antiquity to Baroque, Fall 2021

Salem State University

Visiting Lecturer, Music (2021-present)

2025	FYMU 100 First Year Seminar, "I Want My MTV: Music and Pop Culture in the 1980s
	and Beyond," Spring 2025
2025	MUS 214 Sound Synthesis I, Spring 2025
2024	MUS 100 Introduction to Music (Survey of Western Music Tradition), Spring 2024
2024	MUS 180-06 Electronic Music Ensemble, Spring 2024
2023-2024	MUS 119 Fundamentals of Audio Engineering, Spring 2023, Fall 2024
2023-2024	MUS 500 Undergraduate Senior Capstone Advising, Spring 2023, Spring 2024
2023	MUS 109 Popular Music in America, Spring 2023
2022	FYMU 100 First Year Seminar, "TikTalk It Out: Arts, Conflict, & Community in the
	Digital Age," Fall 2022
2022, 2024	MUS 404 Orchestration, Spring 2022, Spring 2024
2021-present	MUS 146-546 Applied Music Lesson (Composition & Theory), Fall 2021 – Fall 2025

Bunker Hill Community College

Adjunct Professor, Music (2024-2025)

2025	MUS 101 Music Fundamentals, Spring 2025	
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2024-present MUS 137 Hip-Hop History: Music, Culture, and Resistance, Fall 2024, Spring 2025

Stony Brook University

Graduate Teaching Assistant (2017-2021)

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2021	Video Production Teaching Assistant, Choral Ensembles Remotely directing and editing creation of digital content. Spring 2021	
2020	MUS 316 Structural Principles of Music II (Modeling 20th Century Techniques) Designed and sole-taught; hybrid modality. Spring 2020	
2017–2020	Computer Music Studios, Lead Teaching Assistant Audio/visual technical support for Music Department events. Fall 2017 – Spring 2020	
2017–2019	MUS 119 The Elements of Music (Fundamentals of Music Theory) Sole-taught. Fall 2017 – Spring 2019	
2019	MUS 130 Sound Structures (Modular Intro to Elements of Music) Designed and sole-taught. Fall 2019	
2019	Undergraduate Composition Lessons (Individual Private Lessons) Sole-taught. Spring 2019, Fall 2019	

III. PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS, DEVELOPMENT, AND SERVICE

2025-present	Guerilla Opera. Education and Community Manager.
2025	Bunker Hill Community College. Music Technology Certificate Committee.
2025	Salem State University. Alumni Songwriting & Composition Panel Moderator.

IV. HONORS, GRANTS, & SELECTIONS

- The Boston Foundation, Boston. Recipient of Live Arts Boston grant of \$30,000 to create and present a new operatic work in collaboration with Lex Brown and Jordan Weatherston Pitts.
- New York Times, New York. Critics' Pick for *Carnelian*, created with Lex Brown. MIT List Center for Visual Arts, Cambridge, MA.
- 2018 **Chelsea Symphony, New York.** *The Rest is Silence* selected from national call for scores. Performances June 2018, St. Paul's Church.
- 2017 **Calliope's Call, Boston.** *The Woods* selected from national call for scores. Performance April 2017, Old West Church.
- 2017 **American Prize, Danbury.** Honorable Mention, Chamber Music Competition, Professional Division, for *Rocking Chair Child*.
- 2015 **American Prize, Danbury.** Semi-Finalist, Professional Choral Division, for *Riding on a Train at Rush Hour*, a 15-minute opera for SATB chorus.
- 2015 **ArtsImpulse, Boston.** Winner, Best Sound Design/Music in a fringe play for *Bully Dance*.
- 2015 **Castle of our Skins, Boston.** *Rocking Chair Child* selected from national call for scores. Performance March 2016, Roxbury Community College.
- 2014 **Independent Reviewers of New England, Boston.** Nominated for Best Music/Sound Design for *Angela Carter's Hairy Tales*.

V. ACADEMIC GRANTS & AWARDS

Stony Brook University

- SUNY Performing Arts, Creation, and Curation Prize; co-recipient, Ensemble Decipher (competitive, state-wide)
- 2019 Graduate Student Employment Union Professional Development Award, to attend the SourceSong Festival

Boston University

Wainwright Prize (competitive, department-wide)

Northeastern University

2009 Award for Excellence in Music Technology

VI. WORKSH	IOPS & RESIDENCIES
2025	Celebration Barn Residency, South Paris, ME
	Week-long developmental workshop residency for [Project Creatine]
	Live workshop sessions with Lex Brown, Jordan Weatherston Pitts, and Danny Zelibor
2023	Celebration Barn Residency, South Paris, ME
	Week-long developmental workshop residency for a concert version of Carnelian
	Live workshop sessions with Lex Brown, cast, and live instrumental ensemble
2023	8th House Residency, Rochester, VT
	Developmental residency and performance of Carnelian with Lex Brown.
2020	Guerilla Opera: Libretto Workshop, Boston, MA (conducted remotely)
	Libretto writing workshop with Brenda Huggins
	Sessions with Ken Ueno, Hannah Lash, Curtis Hughes, and Anthony R. Green
2019	Collaborative Composer Initiative, Stony Brook, NY
	Recording session with Unheard-of Ensemble
	Lessons with Erin Rogers and Reiko Futing
2019	SourceSong Festival, Minneapolis, MN
	Lessons with Libby Larsen and David Evan Thomas

VII. COMMISSIONS

- **Boston Opera Collaborative, Boston.** Commission to compose the 10-minute opera *Brain Augmentation* on a libretto by Nathan Scalise.
- 2023 **Strange Trace, New Hampshire.** Commission to compose the 12-minute video opera *An Ending* on a libretto by Susan Bywaters.
- Opera on Tap NYC, New York. Commission to compose the micro-aria *I Have Nothing to Say* (*I Made This!*) from a viral TikTok video. Performances via Instagram/TikTok, March, 2023.
- The Majestic Theatre, West Springfield. Commission to compose songs for *The Frog Prince* for six singers and piano. Performances June 2016.
- 2015 **Texas Flute Society, Denton.** Myrna Brown Commission to compose *In Memory of the 288* for solo flute, a competition piece premiered in multiple performances at 2015 Texas Flute Festival.
- 2014 **Boston Choral Ensemble, Boston.** Commission to compose *Riding on a Train at Rush Hour* for unaccompanied SATB chorus.

VIII. CATALOGUE OF ORIGINAL COMPOSITIONS

(Selected, since 2013)

[Durations in minutes are listed in brackets.]

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Forthcoming [Project Creatine] (working title). Opera in two acts; tenor, piano, electronics [60] I prefer not to. Monodrama for voice and electronics [30]	2026 2025
For Orchestra The Rest is Silence [9]	2018
For the Stage Brain Augmentation. Short opera for soprano, mezzo, tenor, baritone [14] Night B. Music for a solo dance [10] An Ending. Short opera film; mezzo-soprano, soprano, electronic keyboards, electronics [13] Carnelian. Live adaptation of a musical film with Lex Brown; singing actors, electric keyboard, electric guitar, contrabass, drum set, electronics [60] greenfingers, 1969. Installation-opera; SATB soloists, SATB chorus, electronics, percussion [45] Biophilia. Chamber opera in two acts; two sopranos, mezzo-soprano, tenor, horn in F, piano, guitar, violin, cello, bass, electronics [75] Current Location (theatrical version). Music for a play; electric guitar, electronics [60]	2025 2025 2024 2023 2022 2021 2018
Heroines. Karaoke musical; six voices, backing track [25]	2017
The Frog Prince. Musical play for young audiences; six voices, piano [60] The Fall River Axe Murders. Music/Sound Design for a play; electric chamber ensemble, electronics [35]	2016 2016
Betty Bam! Music/Sound Design for a play; piano, organ, percussion, electronics [29] Bully Dance. Music for a play; soprano, chamber ensemble, electronics [16] Riding on a Train at Rush Hour. Mini-opera for SATB chorus [14] Angela Carter's Hairy Tales. Music for a play; chamber ensemble, electronics [30]	2015 2014 2014 2013
Film Carnelian. Score for musical film with Lex Brown; singing actors, chamber-pop ensemble [60] White Vinegar. Score/Sound Design for a dramatic short film by Erick Boustead [9] In This World. Score for a documentary by Kelly Creedon [15]	2023 2020 2015
For Voices The King's Boat: A Funeral Elegy. Score for choir, oboe, clarinet, bassoon, electric organ [25] Let it hurt you then let it heal you. Voice, piano [7] I Have Nothing to Say (I Made This!). Voice, piano [1] We Were Warned About This. Mezzo-soprano, piano [4] Voice as Movement: Stock-still. Mezzo-soprano, violin, cello, live electronics [9] The Woods. Soprano, mezzo-soprano, tenor, piano [8] Rocking Chair Child. Soprano, tenor, string quartet, piano [18]	2024 2022 2022 2020 2019 2017 2016
For Chamber Ensembles or Solo Instrument The Drowned World. Music for flauto d'amore, horn, violin, viola, cello, bass, electronics [10] Playback. Piano and audience participation [5] Pretty Saro Orbital. Open scoring [9] We Don't Belong Here. Horn, violin, piano [6]	2023 2023 2020 2019

The Glade. Clarinet in Bb, violin, cello, piano, electronics [10]	2019
Three Quartets. Two pianos, two percussion [7]	2019
Current Location (concert version). Prepared piano, percussion, electric guitar, electronics,	2019
projections [22]	
In Memory of the 288. Solo flute, projections [6]	2015
Distant Music. Violin, viola, cello, piano [19]	2015
Postcards. Solo violin [5]	2014

IX. PUBLIC PERFORMANCES, SCREENINGS, & STUDIO RECORDINGS

(Selected, since 2015)

- 2025 **I prefer not to.** Exploratory performance by Samuel Beebe, voice and electronics; Middle East, Cambridge. 10/29
- Night B. Electronic score for solo dancer choreographed and performed by Meghan McLyman; Samuel Beebe, all instruments and production; Sophia Gordon Center for the Creative and Performing Arts, Salem, MA. 9/20
- 2025 [**Project Creatine**]. Workshop performance by Jordan Weatherston Pitts (Creatine Price), tenor; Danny Zelibor, piano; Celebration Barn, South Paris, ME. 8/30
- An Ending. Studio recording performed by Abigail Whitney Smith, soprano; Heather Gallagher, mezzo; and Samuel Beebe, all other instruments and production. 7/14
- The King's Boat: A Funeral Elegy. World premiere performance presented by North Shore Chamber Music Society; Lilith Vocal Ensemble, choir; Lisa Putukian, oboe; Michelle Markus, clarinet; Shu Satoh, bassoon; Samuel Beebe, electric organ; dir. Laura Nevitt; Recital Hall, Salem State University, Salem, MA. 4/27
- 2023 The Drowned World. World premiere at Music Technology Faculty/Alumni Concert; Ginevra Petrucci, flauto d'amore; Raytheon Amphitheater, Northeastern University, Boston, MA. 11/18
- 2023 **Carnelian.** Live concert performances of musical with cast and live band at Icebox Project Space as part of Cannonball Festival, experimental hub of the Philadelphia Fringe Festival, Philadelphia, PA. 9/5 and 9/9
- 2023 **Carnelian.** Live concert performances of musical with cast and live band at Celebration Barn, South Paris, ME. 8/25-26
- 2023 **Carnelian.** Performance of musical featuring co-composers Lex Brown and Samuel Beebe at Deli Gallery, New York, NY. 7/7
- 2023 **Carnelian.** Performance of musical featuring co-composers Lex Brown and Samuel Beebe at 8th House Residency, Rochester, VT. 7/1
- 2023 Carnelian. Original film soundtrack, released via digital distribution. 5/1

- 2023 **Carnelian.** Live score for a film by Lex Brown presented as part of her's show at the List Center at MIT Media Lab, Cambridge, MA. 4/1–8/31
- 2023 Playback. World premiere performance presented as part of Salem State University Music & Dance Department's Faculty Concert; Samuel Beebe, piano; Recital Hall, Salem State University, Salem, MA. 3/9
- 2023 Let it hurt you then let it heal you. World premiere performance presented by Sparks & Wiry Cries NYC songSLAM; Natasha Nelson, mezzo-soprano, and Rebecca Wuu, piano: Dimenna Center for Classical Music, New York, NY. 1/13
- 2022 **greenfingers, 1969.** Installation-opera presented at the 2022 Arts Summit at the Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, Washington, D.C. 5/1
- **Biophilia.** Virtual video premiere presented by Stony Brook Opera Workshop, directed by Brenda Harris. 9/17
- 2020 **White Vinegar.** Virtual video premiere. 3/4
- 2020 **Pretty Saro Orbital.** Live telematic performance, Nownet Arts Festival; Ensemble Decipher; Performed live, remotely. 11/15
- 2020 **Pretty Saro Orbital.** Live telematic performance, Network Music Festival; Ensemble Decipher; Performed live, remotely. 7/15
- 2020 **Pretty Saro Orbital.** Live stream, New York City Electronic Music Festival; SynthBeats. 7/1
- 2020 **Postcards.** World premiere live stream performance presented by Juventas New Music Ensemble; Olga Patramanskaya, violin. 6/3
- 2020 We Were Warned About This. World premiere performance presented by Sparks & Wiry Cries NYC songSLAM; Natasha Nelson, mezzo-soprano, and Samuel Beebe, piano: Dimenna Center for Classical Music, New York, NY. 1/17
- We Don't Belong Here. Premiere performance presented by Blair Hamrick, horn, Stephanie Liu, violin, and Dasha Bukhartseva; Recital Hall, Stony Brook University, Stony Brook, NY. 12/18
- The Glade. Performance presented by Collaborative Composer Initiative, Unheard-of Ensemble; Recital Hall, Stony Brook University, Stony Brook, NY. 8/14
- The Die Was Already Cast. Performance presented by Source Song Festival; Riley Cardena, mezzo-soprano, and Mary Jo Gothmann; Westminster Hall, Minneapolis, MN. 8/9
- 2019 **Three Quartets.** Studio recording performed by Yarn/Wire; Recital Hall, Stony Brook University, Stony, NY. 5/25

- 2018 **Current Location (concert version).** Revised concert version presented by John Ling, percussion, Niloufar Nourbakhsh, amplified prepared piano, and Samuel Beebe, electric guitar and electronics/projections; Recital Hall, Stony Brook University, Stony Brook, NY. 10/30
- 2018 **In Memory of the 288.** Performance presented by Ginevra Petrucci, flute, and Samuel Beebe, projection; Recital Hall, Stony Brook University, Stony Brook, NY. 9/25
- The Rest is Silence. World premiere presented by Chelsea Symphony (2017-2018 Composition Competition Winning Piece), Reuben Blundell, conductor; St. Paul's Church, New York, NY. 6/1-2
- 2018 **Current Location (theatrical version).** Staged 8-show theatrical run presented by Stony Brook University Theater Department, Mallory Catlett, director; Samuel Beebe, music, sound design, and electric guitar. Theater One, Stony Brook University, Stony Brook, NY. 4/12-22
- 2018 Distant Music. World premiere performance presented by Jennifer Gersten, violin, Chelsea Wimmer, viola, Stephen Moran, cello, and Natasha Stollmack, piano; Mirror in the Woods, Brooklyn, NY. 4/5
- 2017 The Woods. World premiere presented by Calliope's Call, Deborah Selig, soprano, Megan Roth, mezzo-soprano, Alexander Nishibin, tenor, and Clare Longendyke, piano. Old West Church, Boston, MA. 4/8
- 2016 In This World. Screening, New Orleans Film Festival; New Orleans, LA. 10/12 10/20
- 2016 In This World. Screening, Louisville International Festival of Film; Louisville, KY 10/13 –10/20
- 2016 **The Fall River Axe Murders.** Three-week theatrical run presented by imaginary beasts; dir. Matthew Woods; Plaza Black Box, Boston Center for the Arts, Boston, MA 9/30 10/22
- 2016 In This World. Screening, Greater Cleveland Urban Film Festival; Cleveland, OH. 9/15 9/23
- 2016 **In This World.** Screening, Skyline Indie Film Festival; Winchester, VA. 9/9
- 2016 In This World. Screening, BlackStar Film Festival; Philadelphia, PA. 8/6
- 2016 In This World. Screening, Atlanta Shortsfest; Atlanta, GA. 7/16
- 2016 In This World. Screening, Roxbury International Film Festival; Boston, MA. 6/26
- The Frog Prince. Musical play for young audiences premiered in a three-week theatrical run, directed by Stephen Petit; Majestic Theater, West Springfield, MA. 06/09 07/01
- 2016 In This World. Screening, Independent Film Festival Boston; Boston, MA. 04/27
- 2016 In This World. Premiere screening at Indie Grits Film Festival; Columbia, SC. 04/14
- 2016 **Rocking Chair Child.** Premiere performance presented by Castle of our Skins; Mainstage, Roxbury Community College, Boston, MA. 03/18

- 2015 **In Memory of the 288.** Performance presented by the Picasso Project, Anna Meyer, flute; Private residence, Philadelphia, PA. 11/01
- 2015 **In Memory of the 288.** Premiere performance presented by the Texas Flute Society; Margo Jones Performance Hall, Denton, TX. 05/20
- 2015 **Betty Bam!** Three-week theatrical run produced by Imaginary Beasts, directed by Matthew Woods; Plaza Black Box Theater, Boston Center for the Arts, Boston, MA. 04/10 05/02
- 2015 **Riding on a Train at Rush Hour.** Performance by Boston Choral Ensemble, Andrew Shenton, conducting; Oberon Theater, Cambridge, MA. 03/20, 3/27

X. THEATRICAL EXPERIENCE

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2025	[Project Creatine]. Sound Designer. A workshop opera performance produced with Celebration Barn, South Paris, ME.
2023	Carnelian. Music Director/Performer (keyboard, electric guitar). Original musical, self-produced, dir. Lex Brown. S. Paris, ME and Philadelphia, PA.
2021	Biophilia. Composer/Sound Designer/Co-Music Director/Performer. A virtual opera production by Stony Brook Opera, dir. Brenda Harris. Stony Brook, NY.
2020	We, the Innumerable. Audio Technician. A workshop performance of an opera by Niloufar Nourbakhsh. Opera America, New York, NY.
2018	Current Location. Composer/Sound Designer/Performer. A play produced by Stony Brook University, dir. Mallory Catlett. Staller Center for the Arts, Stony Brook, NY.
2018	The Echo Drift. Audio Technician. 2018 PROTOTYPE Festival production, dir. Mallory Catlett. Baruch Performing Arts Center, New York, NY.
2017–2020	HERE Arts Center. Load-in crew (sound/video); audio technician. New York, NY.
2017	Mata Hari. Production intern. 2017 PROTOTYPE Festival production, dir. Paul Peers. HERE Arts Center, Mainstage, New York, NY.
2016	Fall River Axe Murders. Composer/Sound Designer. A play produced by Imaginary Beasts, dir. Matthew Woods. Boston Center for the Arts, Boston MA.
2015	Betty Bam. Composer/Sound Designer. A play produced by Imaginary Beasts, dir. Matthew Woods. Boston Center for the Arts, Boston MA.
2014	Bully Dance. Composer. A play produced by Argos Productions, dir. Sarah Gazdowicz. Boston Playwright's Theater, Boston MA.
2013	Angela Carter's Hairy Tales. Composer/Sound Designer. A play produced by Imaginary

Beasts, dir. Matthew Woods. Boston Center for the Arts, Boston MA.

XI. REFERENCES

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[°] Current Chair of Performing Arts Department at Bunker Hill Community College – can speak to my abilities as a teacher