

# Maddie Meier

## Educator • Conductor • Singer

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### CURRENT EMPLOYMENT

- 2023 **Associate Director** - Westrick Music Academy (Princeton, NJ)  
Formally known as Princeton Girlchoir, Westrick Music Academy (WMA) is the home of the Princeton Girlchoirs, Princeton Boychoirs and Music Education Programs.
- Director of the Princeton Girlchoir Quarter Notes Treble Choir (5th-7th Grades)
  - Co-Director of the Princeton Girlchoir Grace Notes Treble Choir (3rd-5th Grades)
- 2023 **Choral Director/General Music Teacher** - Grover Middle School, West Windsor-Plainsboro School District (Princeton Junction, NJ)  
West Windsor-Plainsboro is one of the highest ranked public school districts in New Jersey.
- Director of Encore, 6th-8th grade auditioned extracurricular TB choir
  - Co-director of the 7th/8th grade SATB choir
  - General Music Teacher 6th-8th grade
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### EDUCATION

- 2017-2020 Montclair State University (Montclair, NJ)  
*summa cum laude*
- Student ambassador for the Cali School of Music
  - Member of German Honor Society, Delta Phi Alpha, Vice President (2017)
  - Member of French Honor Society, Pi Delta Phi
- Bachelor of Music in Vocal Performance**  
**Bachelor of Arts in German Language Studies**  
**Minor in French Language Studies**
- 2018-2019 Kunstuniversität Graz (Graz, Austria)  
**Exchange Student, full-ride scholarship**
- 2022-present Rutgers Graduate School of Education (New Brunswick, New Jersey)  
**Alternate Route New Jersey Teaching Certification**
- 2014-2016 Pacific University (Forest Grove, OR)
- Student ambassador for music department
  - Top auditioned ensemble, soprano section-leader
- 2014 St. Joseph's Academy (St. Louis, MO)  
**High School Diploma**
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## PROFESSIONAL HISTORY

- 2022-2023     **Conducting Fellow**, Westrick Music Academy (Princeton, NJ)
- Led warm-ups, sectionals, ran rehearsals and conducted performances for the most advanced high school ensembles of the Princeton Girlchoirs and the Princeton Boychoirs
- 2022-2023     **Choral Director**, Neptune Township High School (Neptune, NJ)
- Director of school's international, award-winning pop a cappella ensemble
  - Choral Director - non-auditioned SATB Chorus
  - Choral Director - auditioned SATB Chorus
  - Directed 3 Choir Concerts per year
  - Music Director after-school musical theater productions:
    - 2023: *Mean Girls, The Musical* - music by Jeff Richmond, lyrics by Nell Benjamin
  - Co-Director after-school theater productions
    - 2023: *Clue* written by Sandy Rustin
  - Digital Music and Keyboard Teacher
- 2020-2022     **Conducting Fellow**, Rise Up Community Chorus (Metuchen, NJ)
- Non-auditioned, SATB community chorus
- 2020-2022     **Conducting Fellow**, Hopewell Valley Chorus (Hopewell, NJ)
- Non-auditioned, SATB community chorus
- 2022           **Conducting Fellow**, Summer Conducting Institute at Eastman School of Music (Rochester, NY)
- "Brahms: Ein deutsches Requiem" conducting course
  - "The Complete Conductor - Focus on the Renaissance" conducting course
- 2022           **Conducting Fellow**, Atlanta Summer Conducting Institute, Georgia State University (Atlanta, GA)
- 2022           **Choral Conducting Participant**, Choral Music Experience Institute, Michigan State University (East Lansing, MI)
- 2021-2022     **Choral Director**, Roman Catholic All-Boys High School (Philadelphia, PA)
- Director of the Men's Extracurricular Choir - rehearsed weekly and performed at school engagements
- 2021-2022     **Choral Director/General Music Teacher**, St. Rose Grammar School (Belmar, NJ)
- Directed 2nd-5th Grade Chorus
- 2021           **Private Voice/Piano/Violin Teacher**, Music and Arts (Princeton, NJ)
- Taught lessons, students ages 3 yrs. - adult
- 2020-2021     **Music Teacher**, Gymboree Play and Music (Princeton, NJ)
- Students 1-6 yrs. old
- 2020-2021     **Music Teacher**, German School of Union County (Winfield, NJ)
- Instruction all in German
  - Ran the school choir
  - Taught K-12 grades

(Professional History continued)

- 2020-2021 **German and French Tutor**, Montclair State University (Montclair, NJ)
- Tutored university students seeking help in German and French university courses
- 2018-2020 **Private Voice/Piano/Violin Teacher**, Backstage Performing Arts (Rutherford, NJ)
- Taught lessons, students ages 3 yrs. - adult
- 2019 **Administrative Assistant**, American Institute of Musical Studies Opera Performance Program (Graz, Austria)
- 2018 **Emerging Vocal Artist**, Middlebury College - German for Singers Program (Middlebury, VT)
- 2017 **Voice Teacher**, Succeed2gether, non-profit organization (Montclair, NJ)  
Taught voice group classes to students K-5th grades
- 2016 **Emerging Vocal Artist**, Operaworks (Los Angeles, California)
- 2016 **Emerging Vocal Artist**, American Institute of Musical Studies (Graz, Austria)
- 2015 **Emerging Vocal Artist**, Astoria Music Festival (Astoria, OR)

## PERFORMANCE ACTIVITY

- 2023 **Conductor** - Princeton Girlchoir (New Brunswick, New Jersey)
- 7-9th grade chorus performance of “Waltz of the Snowflakes” with the American Repertory Ballet’s production of The Nutcracker featuring the Princeton Symphony Orchestra at the State Theater New Jersey.
- 2022 - Present **Soprano Singer** - Philadelphia Symphonic Chorus (Philadelphia, PA)  
Accompanying Choir to the GRAMMY award-winning Philadelphia Symphonic Orchestra (Music Director: Yannick Nézet-Séguin). Chorus is prepared by Dr. Joe Miller.
- Dec. 2023 Performances: *Messiah* performance - conducted by Nicholas McGegan, prepared by Dr. Joe Miller
  - Yannick and Bruckner Concerts, Bruckner’s “Christus Factus, Est” and “Te Deum” - conducted by Yannick Nézet-Séguin, prepared by Dr. Joe Miller
- 2022 - Present **Soprano Singer and Featured Soloist** - The Princeton Singers (Princeton, NJ)  
The Singers have been hailed as “masterful choral singers” with a “rich vocal color” and “flowing choral tone.” The Princeton Singers have headlined festivals in China, Great Britain, and the US. Their Christmas specials are a featured part of the holiday programming of the WWFM-Classical network.
- Choir in residence/Featured Soloist - Summer Choral Composers Forum, featuring Ēriks Ešsenvalds - Lehigh University
  - Choir/Featured Soloist - *Star in the East* - Live performances, also broadcasted on WWFM

(Performance Activity continued)

- 2023 **Conducting Fellow** - assisted the artistic director, conducting selected pieces at the Palacio da Ajuda, Festival de las Navas-Ávila, Festival de Segovia La Alhóndiga de Segovia - upper middle school and high school select ensemble (Spain and Portugal Tour, Princeton Girlchoirs)
- 2023 **Conductor** - Novo Nordisk Point of Action Meeting, hired by Heron Production Company - Combined Princeton Girlchoirs and Boychoirs (Princeton, New Jersey)
- 2022 **Soprano Soloist** - World premiere of *Journeys* by Gerald Custer - Rise Up Chorus (Metuchen, New Jersey)
- 2022 **Soprano Soloist** - *A Midsummer Night's Dream* by Felix Mendelssohn - Princeton Symphony Orchestra
- 2022 **Featured Soloist** - "We Shall Walk through the Valley" - arr. By Marques L. A. Garret, conducted by Dr. Jan Taylor - ACDA Eastern Regional Conference, Dr. Jan Taylor (Boston, Massachusetts)
- 2021 **Soloist/Ensemble** - *Mozart Coronation Mass* - Hopewell Valley Chorus (Hopewell, New Jersey)
- 2020-2021 **Performer** - Once Upon A Princess, children's entertainment company (New Jersey, Connecticut, New York)
- 2020 **Operatic Role** - Suor Genovieffa, Suor Angelica by G. Puccini - Montclair State University (Montclair, New Jersey)
- 2020 **Operatic Role** - Danica, scenes from *Svadba* by Ana Sokolović - Montclair State University (Montclair, New Jersey)
- 2020 **Operatic Role** - Zerlina, scenes from *Don Giovanni* by W. A. Mozart - Montclair State University (Montclair, New Jersey)
- 2019 **Soprano Soloist** - *Creation* by Joseph Haydn - South Orange Symphony Orchestra (South Orange, New Jersey)
- 2018 **Operatic Role** - Cunégonde, scenes from *Candide*, by Leonard Bernstein - Montclair State University (Montclair, New Jersey)
- 2018 **Operatic Role** - Minette, scenes from *La chatte métamorphosée* by Jacques Offenbach - Kunstuniversität Graz (Graz, Austria)
- 2018 **Soloist** - Altemusik Institutskonzert - Kunstuniversität Graz (Graz, Austria)
- 2018 **Operatic Role** - Serpetta, Die Gärtnerin aus Liebe (La finta giardiniera) - Middlebury College - German for Singers Program (Middlebury, Vermont)
- 2016 **Vocal Soloist** - Pacific University Concert Band - 3 Cabaret Songs by William Bolcom - Pacific University (Forest Grove, Oregon)
- 2016 **Operatic Role** - Apprentice, *Ransom!!* (world premiere by Timothy Stephens) - Pacific University (Forest Grove, Oregon)

(Performance Activity continued)

2015 **Operatic Role** - Second Spirit, *Die Zauberflöte*, by W. A. Mozart - Astoria Music Festival (Astoria, Oregon)

## SACRED MUSIC

2019-2022 **Soprano Section Leader and Soloist**, St. Luke's Episcopal Church (Montclair, New Jersey)

2021-2022 **Cantor**, St. Rose Catholic Church - First Friday Masses, Weddings and Funerals (Belmar, New Jersey)

## PRIVATE STUDIOS

2017-present **Voice, Violin and Piano** (3 yrs. - adult)

2017-present **Private German and French Tutor** (Kindergarten-adult)

## SERVICE

2023-2024 **Sponsor**, high school ACDA Eastern Honor Choir participants (Providence, RI)

2022 **Guest Lecturer**, Montclair State University - Graduate Vocal Pedagogy Course (Montclair, NJ)

- Paving the Way: Building Your Dream Profession in Music // Lecture and Conducting Seminar

2022 **Guest Lecturer**, St. Joseph's Academy - Global Ed Scholar Program (St. Louis, MO)

- Guided By Community: Navigating our Lives and Careers with Compassion and Openness

2021 **Guest Lecturer**, Hopewell Valley Chorus (Hopewell, NJ)

- Mindfulness for Musicians
- Six Points of Balance for Singers

## HONORS & AWARDS

2023 **Director of Qualifying Ensemble** - New Jersey State Teen Arts Performance Festival - Scarlet Sound, pop a cappella ensemble

2023 **Director of Qualifying Ensemble** - International Championship of High School a Cappella - Semifinals - Neptune, New Jersey

2023 **Second Place Award** - International Championship of High School a Cappella - Quarterfinals - Neptune, New Jersey

2023 **Best Communities for Music Education, National Association of Music Merchants**, Neptune High School (Neptune, New Jersey)

2022 **Alumni Spotlight Feature** - John J. Cali School of Music, Montclair State University (Montclair, New Jersey)

(Honors & Awards continued)

2021	<b>Soprano Finalist</b> - Kentucky Bach Choir's Audrey Rooney Vocal Competition
2020	<b>Excellence in Opera Award</b> - Montclair State University
2020	<b>Cover Singer</b> - Masterclass w/ Soprano Lisette Oropesa
2018-2019	<b>Montclair-Graz Sister Cities Scholarship (full-ride)</b> - Montclair State University, Kunstuniversität Graz
2018	<b>Max-Kade Foundation Grant</b> - German for Singers Program, Middlebury College, Vermont

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## TOUR EXPERIENCE

2023	<b>Spain and Portugal</b> , Tour Manager, Conducting Fellow, Princeton Girlchoirs - Westrick Music Academy
2023	<b>Carnegie Hall, New York City</b> , Tour Manager, Conducting Fellow, Princeton Boychoirs - Westrick Music Academy

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## SKILLS

- Languages: German (B2+), French (B1), sufficient in Italian and Spanish
- 19 years of violin
- 9 years of piano