

Stephanie Henkle, soprano, is honored to serve the Buckeye Chapter of NATS as President, having been Vice-President and Auditions Coordinator for the past two years.

A graduate of Ohio Wesleyan University and Indiana University, where she studied with renowned Metropolitan Opera star, Margaret Harshaw, she completed her doctoral coursework at The Ohio State University, where she was a Graduate Teaching Assistant.

An Affiliate Instructor of Voice at Denison University, she has also served on the faculties of Otterbein University, Capital University, Cedarville University and Kenyon College, where she was the Coordinator of Vocal Studies and directed the Opera Workshop. Maintaining a large private voice studio in Westerville, she takes great pleasure in the success of her students, many of whom have gone on to become professional Classical and Broadway performers, as well as outstanding music educators.

Stephanie has won numerous awards and competitions, including the Metropolitan Opera District Auditions, First Place in the Opera/Columbus Irma M. Cooper Vocal Competition, the NATSAA State Artist Award and the Eleanor Steber Foundation Award. A recipient of the Theodore Presser Prize for 4 years, she also received the Margaret Speaks Scholarship at The Ohio State University and performed as winner of the Doctoral Concerto Competition there. As a soloist at Carnegie Recital Hall, Kennedy Center with the National Symphony, Washington's National Cathedral and concert halls throughout the United States, Germany, Austria, Hungary and the Czech Republic, she has sung under conductors Leonard Bernstein, Robert Shaw, Robert Page, Helmuth Rilling and Antal Dorati. Among the summer programs in which she has participated are The American Institute of Musical Studies in Graz, Austria, the Tanglewood Festival, Chautauqua Institute and the Eastman School of Music Vocal Jazz Symposium.

A true crossover artist, Stephanie is active as an oratorio soloist, recitalist and jazz singer, having performed as soloist with the Duke Ellington Orchestra twice while in college. Performing her one woman cabaret, *A Salute to the Divas of Broadway*, in a variety of venues, she also recently presented two duo concerts with Broadway star, Kevin McGuire, at the Columbus Museum of Art.