

## CURRICULUM VITAE

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### EDUCATION:

- 2008-2014 Boston University (Boston, MA)  
Doctor of Musical Arts in Music Education
- 2000-2002 Manhattanville College (Purchase, NY)  
*Master of Arts in Teaching (Music)*
- 1997-2000 State University of New York, Purchase Conservatory  
*Bachelor of Music (Vocal Performance)*
- 1994-1996 State University of New York at Nassau (Garden City, NY)  
*Major: Vocal Performance, Woodwind Performance*
- 2008 Harvard University (Cambridge, MA)  
Certificate; Project Zero Institute, Graduate School of Ed.  
  
Boston University (Boston, MA)  
Orff-Schulwerk Level I Certification
- 1999 SSMA (Sessioni Senese per la Musica e l'Arte)  
Siena, Italy – (Univ. of Siena)

### PRESENTATIONS & PUBLICATIONS

- Figueras, E. J. (2014). *Music teacher stress and burnout: Refining research and understanding*. Presented at the South Carolina American Choral Directors Association Fall Conference, Anderson, SC.
- Figueras, E. J. (2014). *Constructing and Contextualizing a Multi-Dimensional Burnout Profile of High School Music Teachers* (Doctoral dissertation). Boston University, Boston, MA.
- Figueras, E. J. (2013, Sept. 1). Lessons from Miley Cyrus. [Guest Editorial] Florence *Morning News*, Opinion, p. 7A. Available from:  
[http://www.scnow.com/opinion/editorials/article\\_1b83545e-11b8-11e3-beb0-0019bb30f31a.html](http://www.scnow.com/opinion/editorials/article_1b83545e-11b8-11e3-beb0-0019bb30f31a.html)
- Figueras, E. J. (2009). *Accessible technology for music instruction and assessment*. Presented at the Florence School District One Music In-service and Professional Development Session, Florence, SC.

## **SELECTED PERFORMANCE EXPERIENCE:**

### **Orchestras**

New York Philharmonic  
Greenleaf Chamber Players  
American Symphony Orchestra  
Chicago Symphony Orchestra  
Curtis Institute Chamber Orchestra

### **Choirs**

New York Choral Artists  
Concert Chorale of New York  
Lake City Community Chorale (founder, conductor)  
Director/Composer for numerous community, church, and student honor choirs

### **Conductors**

Kurt Mazur  
Sir John Eliot Gardiner  
Daniel Barenboim  
Jane Glover  
Leon Botstein  
Joseph Flummerfelt  
Kent Tritle  
Anthony Newman  
Ford Lallerstedt  
Bradley Brookshire  
Gerald L. Steichen  
Duain Wolfe

### **Recordings/Broadcasts**

Live from Lincoln Center Broadcasts  
WQXR (NY Times Radio Station) Broadcasts  
Recording artist for Titan Sports  
(Anthology CD released 2002, Koch records)

### **Musical Premieres Composed or Performed**

And Then They Came to Elim (SATB) – by Erick J. Figueras  
Florence School District One All-City Choir

Hymn to Intellectual Beauty (song cycle) – by Richard Brooks  
Tenor soloist; Golden Fleece Ltd./American Composers Alliance, New York City

What is a City? – by Memrie Innerarity  
Tenor Soloist; Lark Ascending/Carnegie Hall – New York City

The Shakespeare Songs – by Erick J. Figueras  
Tenor Soloist; Songs composed for senior recital SUNY Purchase

The Book of Beauties – by Memrie Innerarity  
Baritone Soloist; Golden Fleece Ltd./Square One Series, New York City

## **SELECTED EDUCATION GRANTS:**

### **Authored or co-authored**

South Carolina Arts Commission: Arts in Education Grants: \$ 30,000.00  
Arts department equipment and professional development  
Florence Regional Arts Alliance (2): \$ 2500.00  
Artist-in-residence funds for South Florence HS  
The School Foundation: \$ 20,000.00 (Creation of mobile Macbook lab)

## **RESEARCH INTERESTS & SPECIALTIES:**

- (Music) Teacher Stress, Choral Music Education & ELA Integration
- Choral Conducting
- Secondary Choral Methods
- Diction for Singers

## **TEACHING / DIRECTING:**

Media: <http://www.erickfigueras.com/erickfigueras.com/Video.html>

2004-present	South Florence High School (Florence, SC) Director of Choirs  Lake City United Methodist Church (SC) Music Director, Director of Chancel Choir  Lake City Community Chorale Founder, Conductor  Elim Baptist Church Music Director, Director of Adult Choir  Private voice/music theory studio
2001-2004	Briarcliff Manor Middle School (Briarcliff Manor, NY) Teacher, chorus and general music  Assistant Director of Music & Tenor Soloist St. Mark's Episcopal Church (Mt. Kisco, NY)
2000-2002	Ridge Street Elementary School (Rye Brook, NY) Classroom music teacher, mathematics, grades 3-5
1999-2000	Blindbrook High School (Rye Brook, NY) Teacher, chorus and general music

## **ORGANIZATIONS:**

American Guild of Musical Artists (AGMA)  
American Choral Directors Association (ACDA, SC-ACDA)  
National Association for Music Education (NAfME)  
South Carolina Music Educators Association (SCMEA)

American Orff-Schulwerk Association (AOSA)  
New York State United Teachers (NYSUT)  
New York State School Music Association (NYSSMA)

National Eagle Scout Association (NESA)

World Wildlife Fund (WWF)  
Conservation International (CI)

## **REFERENCES**

### **Representative Roger K. Kirby:**

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Dissertation Advisor, Boston University School of Music  
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**Rev. Dr. Sam Marcengill:** Pastor, Lake City United Methodist Church, SC  
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**Dr. Ford Lallerstedt:** Curtis Institute, Philadelphia, PA  
(828) 406-3941 – mylius@earthlink.net

**Additional educational and professional references  
immediately available upon request.**