KRISTIN HUFFMAN BIO

Kristin Huffman appeared in the Tony award winning Broadway musical by Stephen Sondheim-"*Company".*It also won a Drama Desk, Outer Critics Circle and Drama League Awards for Best Revival of a Musical in which she played the leading role of “Sarah” as well as flute, sax and piccolo. The production was filmed and aired on PBS's Great Performances.

She is the Executive director of The New Paradigm Theatre, a professional non profit (501 c 3) theatre company, [www.nptheatre.org](http://www.nptheatre.org/), and she has a career that has spanned over 20 years professionally performing with operas, theatres, symphonies around the US/Europe.

As a former Miss Ohio/Runner-up Miss America she continues hosting and producing charity events. She and her team created *The Powerful Image Events* to help non-profits raise awareness and funds and she is on the marketing committee for the United Way.

As a professor at the University of Hartford **and** Western CT State she trains singer/actors for a life “on the wicked stage” and also music teachers for a life in the classroom.  She writes for the *Sondheim Review* and her own theatre blog:  [www.theatreringleader.blogspot.com](http://www.theatreringleader.blogspot.com/).  She is a member of NATS, AEA, AFTRA and SAG and she frequently judges international choir competitions in the US and Canada.

Recently she partnered with The Klein Auditorium (a nonprofit) as artistic director to create ASK (After School at the Klein) a free, leadership-building program that benefits inner city high school students in Bridgeport.  She helps to organize the free classes with professional film/TV/commercial/Broadway and other industry pros as well as interviewing and coordinating the college interns.

She graduated Summa Cum Laude from both Capital University Conservatory of Music BM (Music Ed: flute and voice concentration) and Northwestern University (Masters of Music- Opera)