

Erin McGaughan

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EDUCATION

M.F.A. Acting

University of Washington Professional Actor Training Program 1995;
Acting Fellow, Seattle Repertory Theatre Professional Arts Training Program 1994.

B.A. Music Emphasis

Sarah Lawrence College 1989;
Associate Fellow, Wadham College, Oxford University 1988.

STAFF EMPLOYMENT

Worship Arts Director. Seattle Unity – 2004 – present.
Associate Music Director. Center for Spiritual Living, 1998 – 2001.
Choir Director. Unity of Bellevue. 2001 – 2004.

CONFERENCE LEADERSHIP

Women Presidents Organization. Annual Retreat Presenter. Seattle. 2016.
TEDx Rainier. Speaker Selection Team and Speaker Content Coach. Seattle. 2015.
TEDx Rainier. Speaker Concierge Lead. Seattle. 2014.
Music Director/Presenter. Infinite Connections Unity NW Regional Conference. Dumas Bay, WA. 2015
Director/Presenter. Jazz of Leadership, Unity NW Regional Leadership Conference. Seattle. 2014.
Music Team. CSL National Leadership Conference, Orlando. 2014.
Music Team and Workshop Presenter. CSL National Leadership Conference, Vancouver. 2013.
Music Team. Empower Posi Awards Week. 2012.
Director. NW New Thought Music Forum. Seattle. 2011.
Director. Sacred Music Leadership Forum. Seattle. 2006.
Music Team. Raising The Bar, NW New Thought music direction conference. CSL Seattle. 2005.

COACHING, DIRECTION, AND EVENT PRODUCTION

Performance, voice and presentation coach. Private studio teaching novice through professional level, singers, and public speakers. Live and studio recording techniques; life-long vocal health; body language, gesture and audience connection; auditioning and anxiety management; composition and story-telling; slide decks, visuals and interactive techniques. 1996 – present.

Founder and director of DIOS – Divine Instruments of Spirit. 200+ member regional network for artists of any modality, serving in 18 different spiritual communities. Semi-annual trainings; weekly member coaching and presentation; weekly e-news; daily social media updates. 2004 – present.

Director. Seattle Unity Joyful Arts Ministry, multimodal congregant arts programs, including Pray the Drum group, Karaoke squad, visual arts gallery, theatre program, chant service, NIA dance, improvisation, talent shows, poetry collection, songwriting, sketch-in-service and more. Monthly Sunday presentations. Seattle Unity 2004 – 2008.

Producer. Going Deeper gospel clinics with Kenya Leger and Michael Allen. Seattle 2017.
Producer. Outrage Onstage resistance festival. Seattle 2017.
Instructor. PNW regional Worship Leading Workshop. Seattle 2016.
Instructor. Body language staff seminar. WeWork SLU. Seattle 2015.
Music Director. East West Books Grand Opening Interfaith Dedication Ceremony. Seattle 2015.
Instructor. Hot Circuit Spirituality: a Worship Arts workshop. Unity NW conference. Seattle 2015.
Producer. Interfaith Loving Kindness Kirtan. 25 performers. Seattle Unity 2014.
Producer. Rafe Pearlman: Sacred Fire concert. Seattle Unity 2014.
Instructor. 5 Crucial Singalong Techniques. Unity NW leadership conference. 2014.
Presenter. Conflicts & Resolutions among Ministers & MD's. CSL Vancouver conference. 2013.
Instructor. Songwriting Workshops. Seattle Unity. 2005, 2012, 2013.
Instructor. The Complete Vocal Workout. Seattle Unity. 2008.
Instructor. Meditative Chant Workshop. Seattle Unity 2008.
Instructor. Microphone Technique Workshop. Seattle Unity. 2007.
Director, Performer. Annual Open Presence Concert, NW NT Artists for charities. 2007-2014.
DIOS Arts Ministry Training. Half day. Unity of Port Townsend. 2007.
DIOS Arts Ministry Training. Half day. Unity of Tacoma. 2006.
Performance Coach and Director. CSL Seattle at Seabeck – 1999.
Founder/Director of congregant arts groups: hand-drumming group, poets' collective and songwriters' forum. CSL Seattle 1999-2001.
Acting Teacher. Drama, ages 6-12. Rainier Valley Youth Theatre. 1998 – 1999.
Team Building Coach. Cabaret de Paris for Microsoft. 1998-1999.
Acting Teacher. Undergraduates. UW Drama School. 1994-1995.
Choreographer. AHA Theatre – 3 productions 1996-1997.

MORE PERFORMANCE COACHING

Celebration Choir. Half Day workshop. CSL Seattle. 2015.
Celebration Choir. Half Day workshop. CSL Seattle. 2014.
Spirit of the Sound Choir. Half day workshop. Amazing Grace Spiritual Center. 2014.
Spirit of Unity Choir Weekend workshops at Seabeck. 2001, 2002, 2003.
CSL Seattle Choir of Light. Weekly private tutorials for choir members, 1998-1999.

PERFORMANCE

Lead Vocalist and Worship Leader. Seattle Unity 2004- present. See [video records](#).
Lead Vocalist and Worship Leader. Mid-week services, ~monthly. CSL Seattle. 2006 -2012.
Lead Vocalist and Worship Leader. 5th Sunday Kirtan. CSL Seattle. 2013- 2014.
Alto Soloist. Handel's Messiah. Also producer. Seattle Unity 2012.
Staff Vocalist. CSL Seattle 1998-2001.
Guest Headliner. Unity of Bellevue, CSL Seattle, CSL Tacoma, Unity of Tacoma, Genesis Global Spiritual Center, Vision Ministries, Bethany UCC, Des Moines UMC, CSL Eastside. 1996 - present.
Lead vocalist, opening music for Jean Houston (2014), Brene Brown (2013), and Marianne Williamson (2005, 2008).
Alto Soloist. Seattle Bach Choir. 1991.
Lead vocalist for 50+ independent spiritual service gigs (e.g. weddings, memorials) 1997 – present.
Studio vocals for 25+ commercial recordings projects. 1998-present.
Lead vocalist for 25+ secular and concert gigs. 1997 – present.

Supplemental materials below

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Erin McGaughan -- Supplemental CV Materials

PUBLICATION LINKS

Music Ministry Articles

[NT Music Ministry Quick start](#), 2016.

[Relief for Performance Anxiety](#), 2015

[In Praise of Mainstream Music](#), 2014.

[5 Crucial Songleading Techniques for New Thought Services](#), 2013.

[Four Functions: A Model for Assessing an Order of Service](#), 2013.

[Tuning Up: Common Conflicts and Resolution Strategies](#) 2012.

[Real Quality Assurance for Music Ministries](#) - (or in [pdf](#)) 2011.

[What Artists Need](#), 2011.

[10 Ways to Freshen Up Your Music Ministry](#). 2009.

“[For My Students](#)” – 19 original articles on performance and vocal technique, 1998-2016.

Blogs and Websites

[Topics in Performance Coaching Blog](#) – 2015 - present

[Erin McGaughan Professional Site](#), 2004 – present

[Unity Northwest Regional Music Ministry Resource Page](#), 2014 - 2015

[New Thought Artists Resources](#), 2013 - 2014

Original Commercial Releases

[So Many Faces of God](#) – single, 2013.

[Pilgrimage](#) – interfaith chant collection, 2009.

[There is Only God](#) – chant collection, 2008.

[Rising High/Going Deep](#) – chant double collection, 2006.

[That Good Thing](#) – collection, 2004.

Song Library

[Let That Voice and That Good Thing](#) songbooks

[300+ originals for spiritual services and interfaith gatherings](#) – indexed, samples and charts of each.

20+ songs published in commercial anthologies, including [101 Inspirational Songs from Hal Leonard](#),

[The New Thought Choral Library](#), [Empower Music and Arts](#) catalog, and three songbooks from the [Association of Unity Churches](#)

Honored in Unisong, Empower Posi Awards, and New Thought Holiday Song competitions.

ACTING

AEA. See acting resume, [attached](#). 1990 - 2000. Note acting resumes are single sheets, condensed to locally recognized projects only; about 30 lesser known entries were omitted.

MUSIC ARRANGEMENT

Choral, background vocals, and band charts as staff at Seattle Unity, Center for Spiritual Living Seattle, and Unity of Bellevue. Encore notation software. 1998 – present.

Professional vocal arrangements on 40+ commercial tracks for regional New Thought artists, 2001 – present.

CONDUCTING

Seattle Unity Houseband. 3-8 piece band. 2004-present.
Seattle Unity Choir. 20-40 voices. Seattle Unity 2004-2013.
Prosperity Revival Choir Mass Choir and Mystical Chant Day Mass Choirs. Seattle Unity. 2005.
Spirit of Unity Choir. 20 voices. Unity of Bellevue. 2001-2004.
The Power and Light Company. 8 voice ensemble. CSL Seattle. 1999 – 2002.
Choir of Light. Rehearsal and assistant conductor, 50 voice choir, CSL Seattle. 1998 – 2002.
CSL houseband assistant, children's Christmas and Teens choirs. CSL Seattle. 1999- 2002.

Additional Arts/Production Training

The Science and Art of the Performing Voice conference, with Al Merati. UW. 2017
The Science and Art of the Performing Voice conference, with Ingo Titze. UW. 2016
Homiletics Study series with Michael Bogar. Private. 2016.
Opportunities Everywhere Workshop with Matt Lehrman. Theatre Puget Sound. 2015
Psyche, Sound, and the Sacred. Jung Institute of Seattle. **Also served on production team.** 2014.
Audience Engagement Workshop with Matt Lehrman. Theatre Puget Sound. 2014.
Audience Development Workshop with Rachel Grossman. Theatre Puget Sound. 2014.
Putting God Second: Saving Religion from Itself with Rabbi Donniel Hartman. Seattle University. 2014.
What Good is a Song? Considering Music from an African Worldview with Dr. Ysaye Barnwell.
Seattle University. 2014.
Creativity Symposium with Patti Dubrowolski, Carol Sanford, Abby Lodmer and more. **Also served on production team.** Puget Sound Entrepreneurial Women. 2014.
Private Mentoring series from Karen Drucker. 2013.
Daring Greatly workshop with Brene Brown. **Also provided opening music.** Seattle. 2013.
The MetaModel with Rev. Mark Anthony Lord. CSL Vancouver convention. 2013.
Choral Hymnody workshop. American Choral Director's Association, Plymouth UCC Seattle. 2011.
Interfaith Journey 2010 – Full year Seattle Unity study, **created music programs** surveying Sufism, Judaism, Baha'I, Hinduism, Wicca/Celtic traditions, Christianity, Buddhism, Taoism, Native African traditions, Shinto and Western classical mythology. Master teacher/presenters: Linda Waterfall, Rafe Pearlman, the WA Native Flute Circle, Sheree Seretse and Azanga Marimba, Micki Suzuzki and Mako Willet, Swil Kanim, Shantala and many others.
The 12 Powers of Man 2009 - full year Seattle Unity study and **created music programs** in collaboration with Rev. Karen Lindvig and guest speakers.
Gospel Technique Workshop with Rev. Patrinell Wright. Seattle. 2009.
Songwriting workshops: Karen Drucker 2009; Bill and Kay Pere 2006; Daniel Nahmod 2000; Melissa Phillippe 1999.
Hand drumming workshops: Christine Stevens 2007, 2008; Simone LaDrumma 1998.
Choral Workshop with Rickie Byars. CSL Seattle. 2008.
Chantwave workshop with Michael Stillwater. Also music team. Seattle Unity 2008, CSL Seattle 2009.
Taming the Inner Critic with Karen Drucker. 2007, 2008.
Piano Course with David Loy. 6 month intensive. 2008.
Jazz Vocal Technique with Kelley Johnson. 2007.
Prosperity Retreat with Richard and Maureen Levy. **Also music presenter.** 2006.
NIA Dance workshop and performance with Susan Tate. 2006.
World Chant workshop with Gina Sala. Seattle. 2005.
Choral Conducting Institute with Anton Armstrong. Tacoma. 2003.
American Choral Directors Association NW Convention Workshops. Portland 2002, Seattle 2012.
Choral Conducting Course. Seattle Pacific University, 1999.
Foundations. Presentation: [Core Concepts Song](#), original epic showtune presented by Power & Light Company ensemble. CSL Seattle. 1999.

ACTIVE PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

Music for the Resistance
Racial Equity and Inclusion Lab
Actor's Equity Association
Theatre Puget Sound
Empower Music and Arts
Positive Music Association

Previous: One Vibration Radio Ministries (Board member 2007-2008); American Musicological Association, American Choral Director's Association, Contemporary A Cappella Society

Additional Arts Administration Experience

Various positions in marketing, reception, ticketing, communications, volunteer management, outreach and production for local theatres: A Contemporary Theatre, AHA Theatre, Alice B. Theatre, Annex Theatre, Book-it, Cabaret de Paris, Empty Space, Evergreen Theatre Company, Greek Active, House of Dames, Squeaky Quae. 1989- 2000.

Non-arts employment

Administration, computing, data management, graphics and audio software support at Children's Hospital (1998-2000), UW Dept of Lab Med (1997), Adobe Systems (1996-1997), and temp support for numerous healthcare and finance companies through Pace Staffing Network (1995-1996).

Family

Husband Jonathan Hochberg; sons Ben, 15 and Sam, 12

Favorite Causes

Gay Rights: www.allout.org , www.itgetsbetter.org , <http://www.thetrevorproject.org/>

Women's and Reproductive Rights: www.globalfundforwomen.org , www.plannedparenthood.org/

Poverty - <http://www.poverty-action.org/>

Gun Safety - <http://csgv.org/>

Random skills, interests, secret mutant powers

Cooking dinner for 15 diverse people - I do it weekly, Horse sports, flute, tap, baton twirling, volleyball, roller coasters, a bionic hip, dialects, British sci-fi, feminist comedy (shut up), terrible urban fantasy noir, Hildegard Von Bingen, classical art song, nerdy podcasts

References Below

References

Karen Drucker, workshop presenter
P.O. Box 134
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<http://www.karendrucker.com/>

Rev. Karen Lindvig, Senior Minister
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Beverly Daugherty, Music Director
Center for Spiritual Living
5801 Sandpoint Way NE
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Jim Carroll, fmr Business Manager
Seattle Unity
200 8th Avenue N
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See also my colleague reference page

<http://www.erinmcgaughan.com/about-1.html>

Student references

Matt Griscom – Software Test Developer, [MetaAutomation](#), Matt@wisewillow.org

Marleen Eitzen Shanks, Principal. [Team Red Dog](#). Marleen@teamreddog.com

Lisa Craze Brooks - Vocalist for CSL Seattle and KUOW radio host, Lisacraze@comcast.net

Clara Frederickson - Songwriter and Music Director, spiritharp@comcast.net