



# **REQUIEM W.A. MOZART** (1756-1791)

Lucy Fitz Gibbon, soprano Allison Gish, mezzo soprano David Vanderwal, tenor Matthew Curran, bass

SUNY New Paltz Festival Orchestra Festival Players
SUNY New Paltz College-Community Chorale
SUNY New Paltz Concert Choir
Valentina Shatalova & Alex Ruvinshteyn, Collaborative Pianists
Dr. John Wilson, Conductor

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## **PROGRAM**

#### **INTROITUS**

Requiem

Requiem aeternam dona eis, Domine, et lux perpetua luceat eis. Te decet hymnus, Deus, in Sion, et tibi reddetur votum in Jerusalem. Exaudi orationem meam, ad te omnis caro veniet.

**Kyrie** 

Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison.

### **SEQUENZE**

Dies Irae
Dies irae, dies illa
Solvet saeclum in favilla,
Teste David cum Sibylla.
Quantus tremor est futurus,
Quando judex est venturus,
Cuncta stricte discussurus!

Tuba Mirum

Tuba mirum spargens sonum Per sepulcra regionum, Coget omnes ante thronum. Mors stupebit et natura, Cum resurget creatura, Judicanti responsura. Liber scriptus proferetur, In quo totum continetur, Unde mundus judicetur. Judex ergo cum sedebit, Quidquid latet, apparebit: Nil inultum remanebit. Quid sum miser tunc dicturus? Quem patronum rogaturus, Cum vix justus sit securus?

Rex Tremendae

Rex tremendae majestatis, Qui salvandos savas gratis, Salve me, fons pietatis.

Recordare

Recordare, Jesu pie, Quod sum causa tuae viae: Ne me perdas illa die. Quaerens me, sedisti lassus, Redemisti crucem passus; Tantus labor non sit cassus. Juste judex ultionis, Donum fac remissionis, Ante diem rationis. Ingemisco, tamquam reus: Grant them eternal rest, Lord, and let perpetual light shine on them. You are praised, God, in Zion, and homage will be paid to you in Jerusalem. Hear my prayer, to you all flesh will come.

Lord have mercy on us. Christ have mercy on us. Lord have mercy on us.

Day of wrath, day of anger will dissolve the world in ashes: as foretold by David and the Sibyl. Great trembling there will be, when the judge descends from heaven, to examine all things closely!

The trumpet will send its wondrous sound throughout earth's sepulchers and gather all before the throne. Death and nature will be astounded, when all creation rises again, to answer the judgment.

A book will be brought forth, in which all will be written, by which the world will be judged. When the judge takes his place, what is hidden will be revealed: nothing will remain unavenged. What shall a wretch like me say? Who shall intercede for me, when the just ones need mercy?

King of tremendous majesty, who freely saves those worthy ones, save me, source of mercy.

Remember, kind Jesus, my salvation caused your suffering: do not forsake me on that day. Faint and weary you have sought me, redeemed me, suffering on the cross; may such great effort not be in vain. Righteous judge of vengeance, grant me the gift of absolution before the day of retribution. I moan as one who is guilty:

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Culpa rubet vultus meus; Supplicanti parce, Deus. Qui Mariam absolvisti, Et latronem exaudisti, Mihi quoque spem dedisti.

Preces meae non sunt dignae, Sed tu, bonus, fac benigne, Ne perenni cremer igne. Inter oves locum praesta, Et ab haedis me sequestra, Statuens in parte dextra.

#### Confutatis

Confutatis maledictis, Flammis acribus addictis, Voca me cum benedictis. Oro supplex et acclinis, Cor contritum quasi cinis, Gere curam mei finis.

Lacrimosa

Lacrimosa dies illa, Qua resurget ex favilla Judicandus homo reus: Huic ergo parce, Deus, Pie Jesu Domine, Dona eis requiem. Amen. owning my shame with a red face; supplicant before you, Lord. You, who absolved Mary, and listened to the thief, give me hope also.

My prayers are unworthy, but, good Lord, have mercy, and rescue me from eternal fire. Provide me a place among the sheep, and separate me from the goats, guiding me to Your right hand.

When the accused are confounded, and doomed to flames of woe, call me among the blessed. I kneel with submissive heart, my contrition is like ashes, help me in my final condition.

That day of tears and mourning, when from the ashes shall arise, all humanity to be judged. Spare us by your mercy, Lord, gentle Lord Jesus, grant them eternal rest. Amen.

## **OFFERTORIUM**

Domine Jesu

Domine Jesu Christe, Rex gloriae, libera animas omnium fidelium defunctorum de poenis inferni et de profundo lacu. Libera eas de ore leonis, ne absorbeat eas tartarus, ne cadant in obscurum. Sed signifer sanctus Michael repraesentet eas in lucem sanctam. Quam olim Abrahae promisisti et semini ejus.

## Hostias

Hostias et preces tibi, Domine, laudis offerimus: tu sucipe pro animabus illis, quaram hodie memoriam facimus. Fac eas, Domine, de morte transire ad vitam. Quam olim Abrahae promisisti et semini ejus

#### **SANCTUS**

Sanctus

Sanctus, Sanctus, Dominus Deus Sabaoth! Pleni suni coeli et terra gloria tua. Hosanna in excelsis Lord Jesus Christ, King of glory, liberate the souls of the faithful, departed from the pains of hell and from the deep pit. Deliver them from the lion's mouth, lest hell swallow them up, lest they fall into darkness. Let the standard-bearer, holy Michael, bring them into holy light. Which was promised to Abraham and his descendants.

Sacrifices and prayers of praise, Lord, we offer to you. Receive them on behalf of those souls we commemorate today. And let them, Lord, pass from death to life. Which was promised to Abraham and his descendants.

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Sabaoth! Heaven and earth are full of Thy glory. Hosanna in the highest.

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Benedictus

Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini. Hosanna in excelsis.

Blessed is He who cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Agnus Dei

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, dona eis requiem.

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Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, dona eis requiem sempiternam.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, grant them eternal rest.
Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, grant them eternal rest.
Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, grant them eternal rest forever.

#### **COMMUNIO**

Lux Aeterna Lux aeterna luceat eis, Domine:

Cum sanctis tuis in aeternum, quia pius es. Requiem aeternam dona eis, Domine, et lux perpetua luceat eis. Cum sanctis tuis in aeternum, quia pius es. May eternal light shine on them, O Lord:

Grant them eternal rest, Lord, and let perpetual light shine on them. With Thy saints forever, because Thou art merciful.

# **COLLEGE-COMMUNITY CHORALE**

Soprano	Alto	Alto (cont'd)	Bass
Fern Ashworth+	Tricia Agar+	Mindy Ross+	Scott Andrews +
Tammy Burke+	Megan Anderson+	Gina Ruiz*	Cliff Beinart+
Julie Cahill+	Nancy Aronzon+	Sol Solano*	Timothy Borland*
Miriam Chester+	Sue Books+	Sarra Solomon+	Tom Denton+
Sarah Clark+	Valerie Campbell*	Hannah Tapparel*	Angel Guivas*
Sarah Curry*	Stella Deen+	Mary Waldner+	Brian Hayes+
Evelina Deryabina*	Chris DeLape+	Shirley Warren+	John Litton+
Mary Fasano+	Diane Derek+	Susan Wile+	Gustavo Lopez-Lopez*
Maureen Fenlon*	Lindsay DuBois Kraus+		Justin Mclaughlan*
Kathy Gregory+	Annie Dwyer+		Ken Morgan+
Terri Harp+	Elaine Frankel+		Benno Ressa
Callie Hershey+	Nancy Gabriel+	Tenor	Zayre Ridgeway*
Aurora Rey Hope+	Gianna Geraci*	Mathew Camara	Howard Sachar+
Maya Knyper*	Rosaly Gomez*	Ari Carrillo*	Michael Saunders+
Monica Marano*	Maria Guralnik+	Sheyda Eversley+	Colin Tubbs*
Danielle Marchand+	Pat Hoffstatter+	Nick Fasano+	Jon Yettru+
Wendy Mauro+	Amanda Hernandez+	Thomas Fife+	Esfand Zahedi+
Mary McMullen+	Sandie Hutton+	Steve Gabriel+	
Lillian McPadden+	Marley Ihne*	Steve Gadaleto+	
Rebecca Pasternak	Barbara Johnston+	Richard Mogavero+	
Cassandra Patsch+	Vaiva Kean*	Brandon Newell*	
Kyra Perles*	Marlena Lange+	Tyler Patti+	
Anya Robilotta*	Samantha Loughlin+	Isaiah D Ricks+	
Jane Ruback+	Pat Marquez+	Bill Wolz+	
Carol Ward+	Gwendolyn Mcnamara*		
Janet Wiggin+	Lauren Meeker+		
Cara Williams*	Melissa Nickl*		
	Fiona O'Neill*		
	Livvy Oakes*		
	Helene Pongnon*		
	Chloe Ramsey Lavoie*		

\*Denotes Student Member +Denotes Community Member

# **CONCERT CHOIR**

Soprano	Alto	Tenor	Bass
Elizabeth Armston	Ava Carini	Andrew Bein	Nathaniel Blatt
Lindsay Augello	Kaidey Constanza	Kacey Clement	Milly Camara
Ashlynn Clanton	Angela Del Pozzo	Joel Gonzales	Ryan Goodman
Emma DeSanctis	Elizabeth Distefano	Aleksey Olkhovenko	Jacob Kenny
Kaylee DiGregorio	Marley Ihne	Aidyn Sotelo	Justin McLaughlan
Fiona Exley	Julia Kotliar	Tyler Thurston	Logan Parmerter
Susanna Gilgert	Baylee Kramer		Lukas Rosa
Learsi Hernandez	Ashe Matteson		Yoosup Song
Leah Lacey	Liv Mende		
Abigail LaReau	Ayanda Nxumalo		
Sophia Maiorano	Kimberly Pierre		
Jailin Matias Rivera	Ezra Reyes		
Maura Mesley	Dakota Rios		
Marin Prosser	Gina Ruiz		
Samadeus Sattler	Erin Spear		
Alexa Gold Schulte	Melanie Wadas		
Natalie Waters			
Samantha White			
Elle Woska			

# **FESTIVAL ORCHESTRA**

Violin 1 Alex Shiozaki, Concert Master Drew Youmans Rachel Crozier Lucy Byron*	Cello Susan Seligman Erica Pickhardt Schuyler Perry Nanette Koch Michael Young*	Trumpet Judy Gaunt Katie Stephen  Trombone Alaina Alster, alto Sam George, tenor
Violin 2 Emily Garrison Lee Ann Blackmore David Fiedler Caity Hysick*	Bass Dan Merriman  Basset Horn Kristen Mather de Andrade Patrick Sikes	Felix Padilla, bass  Timpani Ted Jackson
Viola Christiana Fortune-Reader Llewana D'Silva* Kathy Bosman Gabriella Bleakley*	Bassoon Briana Hoffman Garrett Brown	

\*SUNY New Paltz Student

# **ARTIST BIOS**



# **Lucy Fitz Gibbon**

Noted for her "dazzling, virtuoso singing" (Boston Globe), Lucy Fitz Gibbon is a dynamic musician whose repertoire spans the Renaissance to the present. She believes that creating new works and recreating those lost in centuries past makes room for the multiplicity and diversity of voices integral to classical music's future. As such, Fitz Gibbon has given modern premieres of rediscovered works by Baroque composers Francesco Sacrati, Barbara Strozzi, and Agostino Agazzari, as well as 20th century composers including Tadeusz Kassern, Moses Milner, and Florence Price. She also works closely with today's composers, workshopping and premiering works by John Harbison, Katherine Balch, Kate Soper, and Pauline Oliveros, to name just a few. In helping to realize the complexities of music beyond written notes, the experience of working with these composers translates to all music: the commitment to honestly communicate not only the score, but also the underlying intentions of its creator.

Fitz Gibbon has appeared as a soloist with orchestras including the Saint Paul Chamber Orchestra; Tafelmusik; the Naples Philharmonic; the Albany, Richmond, and Tulsa Symphonies; and the American Symphony Orchestra in her Carnegie Hall debut. As a recitalist, Fitz Gibbon has performed with her husband and collaborative partner, pianist Ryan McCullough, in such venues as New York's Metropolitan Museum of Art, Park Avenue Armory, and Merkin Hall; London's Wigmore Hall; and Toronto's Koerner Hall. Their discography includes The Labor of Forgetting (False Azure, 2022), with the world premiere recording of Katherine Balch's estrangement; Descent/Return, featuring works by James Primosch and John Harbison (Albany Records, 2020); and Beauty Intolerable: Songs of Sheila Silver alongside artists including Dawn Upshaw and Stephanie Blythe (Albany Records, 2021). In operatic repertoire, she recently performed Alexander Tcherepnin's La Fée et le cultivateur (Fée) with New Asia Chamber Music Society in New York's Alice Tully Hall; gave the Chinese premiere of Tan Dun's Tea: Mirror of Soul (Princess Lan) in Shanghai's Shangyin Opera House; and joined Seattle Opera for the premiere of Sheila Silver's A Thousand Splendid Suns (Laila, cover). In 2023-2024, she appeared throughout North America performing repertoire ranging from Baroque masterpieces such as Rameau's Orphée, to Brahms' epic song cycle Die schöne Magelone on historical keyboard, to new works by Eve Beglarian, Reena Esmail, and Pablo Ortiz. Two iterations of festivals jointly presented by enSRQ, the Dallas Symphony Orchestra, Southern Methodist University, and the John and Mabel Ringling Museum of Art include seminal works by Unsuk Chin and György Kurtág. During the summer 2024 season she joined the Brentano String Quartet and violinist Alexi Kenney at the 78th Ojai Festival, curated by pianist Mitsuko Uchida; appeared at Festival Mozaic; and returned to the Marlboro Music Festival.

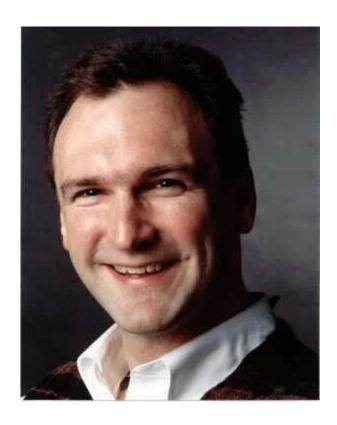
A graduate of Yale University, Fitz Gibbon also holds an artist diploma from the Glenn Gould School and a master's degree from Bard College Conservatory's Graduate Vocal Arts Program. Her principal teachers include Monica Whicher, Edith Bers, and Dawn Upshaw. She has spent summers at the Tanglewood Music Center (2014-2015) and Marlboro Music Festival (2016-2019, 2021-2024) and serves on the faculty of Bard College Conservatory.



# **Allison Gish**

Praised for her "commanding stage presence, strikingly rich voice and an innate sense of comedic timing" (Operawire) and her "superb technique" (The Berkeley Daily Planet), Allison Gish is a contralto based in New York. Last season, she made her solo debuts in Mahler's *Symphony No. 2* (Greater Newburgh Symphony), Beethoven's *Mass in C* (Greenwich Choral Society), Sorceress in Purcell's *Dido and Aeneas* (Berkshire Bach Society), and closed out the season with her Carnegie Hall solo debut in Mozart's *Regina Coeli and Coronation Mass* with MidAmerica Productions.

On the opera stage, Gish has sung Mezzo 2 in Ricky Ian Gordon's *Tibetan Book of the Dead*, Principessa in *Suor Angelica*, Madame de Croissy in *Dialogues of the Carmelites*, Fricka in *Die Walkure*, Dryade and the title role in Britten's *The Rape of Lucretia*, a performance deemed a "knockout" (Reaction, Operawire). She is also sought-after professional choral artist, performing with New York City's top ensembles, including the New York Philharmonic Chorus, Voices of Ascension, Bard Festival Chorale, and the American Classical Orchestra Chorus.



## **David Vanderwal**

David Vanderwal, tenor, is in high demand for his clarion lyric vocal qualities. The American Bach Soloists, the Seattle Baroque Orchestra, the Oregon Bach Festival Orchestra, the Austin Symphony Orchestra, the Oregon Symphony, New York Collegium, Tafelmusik, as well as many other regional orchestras across the nation have featured him in roles. He has also appeared as featured soloist with many choral societies nationwide.

During this last year, Vanderwal has been busy with workshops and performances with the renowned sextet Western Wind, and was featured in a set of vocal recitals at the Carmel Bach Festival in California. Vanderwal has also been featured with such groups as Clarion, Concert Royale, Connecticut Chamber Choir and the Knights, New York's St. Thomas Church, Artek, Oregon Repertory Singers, Vox, and has been very busy with New York's multiple Grammynominated Choir of Trinty Wall Street throughout the year.

Vanderwal has recorded under the Allegro, Delos, Pro Musica Gloriae, and Koch International record labels, and with Western Wind of New York on their own label. He has also won several awards in national and local vocal competitions.

Vanderwal has several upcoming engagements including Handel Messiah and Britten St. Nicolas performances, Evangelist in two sets of Bach St. John Passion in Oregon and Minnesota, as well as other oratorio works throughout the season. During the summer he will be singing in the Carmel Bach festival in California, and also is presenting a set of song recitals through this season.



## **Matthew Curran**

Bass Matthew Curran is a nuanced performer celebrated for his versatility across opera and concert repertoire. On the operatic stage, he has distinguished himself in both dramatic and comedic roles at companies including Zürich Opera, New York City Opera, Atlanta Opera, Seattle Opera, Opera Delaware, Opera Roanoke, St. Petersburg Opera, and Opera Southwest, among others. His notable performances include Filippo in *Don Carlo*, Oroveso in *Norma*, Ramfis in *Aida*, Sarastro in *The Magic Flute*, Colline in *La Bohème*, Timur in *Turandot*, Ferrando in *Il Trovatore*, Raimondo in *Lucia di Lammermoor*, and Pistola in *Falstaff*. A champion of contemporary opera, Curran has sang in the highly acclaimed *Breaking the Waves* by Missy Mazzoli at the Prototype Festival, Lowell Lieberman's *The Picture of Dorian Gray* with Odyssey Opera, Carlisle Floyd's *Prince of Players* and Britten's *Owen Wingrave* with Little Opera Theater of New York, and Stephen Schwartz's *Séance on a Wet Afternoon* with American Opera Projects and New York City Opera. As a resident singer in American Opera Projects' Composers & the Voice program for three seasons, he premiered works by numerous composers including Jack Perla, Gregory Spears, and Hannah Lash.

Curran is regularly featured as a soloist on the concert stage, performing Beethoven's Ninth Symphony, Handel's *Messiah*, the Mozart, Verdi, Brahms, and Fauré Requiems, and the major works of Johann Sebastian Bach. Critics have praised his "rich, smooth sound" and of his Brahms Requiem solo, noted that his performance possesses the power to "draw more musicality from the whole ensemble." His recordings span William Byrd to Arvo Pärt, including the Grammynominated Tyberg Masses with South Dakota Chorale, Daron Hagen's *Shining Brow for* Naxos with the Buffalo Philharmonic under JoAnn Falletta, and a world premiere recording of Giovanni Felice Sances' *Missa Sancta Maria Magdalenae* for Harmonia Mundi.

Born and raised in Princeton, NJ, Curran holds a Bachelor of Music cum laude from Loyola University New Orleans and a master's degree from Indiana University School of Music.



**John Wilson** 

Dr. John Wilson is an assistant professor of music and director of choral activities in the School of Fine & Performing Arts at SUNY New Paltz and the artistic director of the Riverside Choral Society. Prior to these appointments, Wilson served as the choral director at Bridgewater-Raritan High School for 17 years. His choirs developed a reputation for excellence. The BRHS Symphonic Choir was notably featured as a performing choir at the 2020 ACDA Eastern Division Conference in Rochester, NY. Wilson's ensembles have performed at major venues in the New York/New Jersey area under the direction of Ryan Brandau, James Jordan, Amanda Quist, Alan Raines, Lee Nelson, and Andrew Megill, a notable example being a performance of Monteverdi's *Vespers of 1610* in March of 2018 at Princeton University Chapel.

Wilson served as an associate director at the Princeton Girlchoir organization between 2015-2018, where he conducted the *Cantores* ensemble. This ensemble was featured in a recording of Steven Sametz's *A Child's Requiem* in 2015, which was led by the composer. From 2014-2019, Wilson served as a faculty member at the Summer High School Vocal Institute faculty at Westminster Choir College, where he conducted the Men's Ensemble and taught a primer in conducting. Wilson conducted the New Jersey All-State Junior High SATB chorus in 2024, Georgia All-State Middle Treble chorus in 2023, the Virginia All-State Middle School Treble chorus in 2018, and the CJMEA Region Treble Chorus in 2019, and is in demand as a clinician and guest conductor. Wilson was the conductor of the Choral Art Society of New Jersey in the fall of 2024, and of the Westminster Community Chorus between 2014-2017.

Wilson has taught undergraduate courses in conducting and music education at Rutgers University, where he earned his master's and doctorate degrees in choral conducting under the guidance of Dr. Patrick Gardner. During 2020-2021, Wilson had the privilege of leading the Rutgers University Choir. He is a recent past-president of the New Jersey chapter of the American Choral Directors Association, and coordinated the summer conference in 2023.

Wilson lives in Princeton, NJ with his wife Clara and two children, Elliot and Henry.



# **Alex Ruvinstein**

Alex Ruvinstein started his classical piano journey in Ukraine. He won the XXVIII International Competition in Salerno, Italy as a part of the four hands duo. Ruvinstein is a winner of the Ibla International Piano Competition in Ragusa, Italy in the solo and four hands duo divisions, the National Ukrainian Piano Competition for college graduates in Kiev, and other local and regional piano competitions.

Ruvinstein was born in Polyarny, Russia, above the Arctic Circle, and began his music studies at the age of 5. He received his bachelor's degree from the Uman State College of Music in Ukraine. Later, he obtained his master's at the Gnesin Academy in Moscow. After receiving his doctorate with Professor Naum Starkmann at the Maimonides State Academy, Ruvinstein worked as a professor of piano and an accompanist for cellists and singers. After immigrating to the United States, he made his American debut at the Union County Art Center in New Jersey. Since then, he has been performing in various concert halls in New York, Kansas, Delaware, Connecticut, and other states.

Ruvinstein's solo and chamber music performances include recitals at Weill Recital Hall at Carnegie Hall, the Greater Princeton Steinway Society, New York Library Concert Series, the United Nations Concert Hall, and the National Opera Center in New York City, among others. He was a member of the Membling Ensemble, directed by Metropolitan Opera violist Vincent Lionti. He has appeared on Russian and Ukrainian TV.

Ruvinstein works at SUNY New Paltz, Kaufman Music Center in New York City, and Temple Sinai in Stamford, CT. He lives in Riverdale, New York with his wife Yelena and their sons, Michael, David, and Anthony.



## Valentina Shatalova

Valentina Shatalova holds a Bachelor of Music from the Crane School of Music at SUNY Potsdam and a Master of Arts from SUNY New Paltz with a major in piano pedagogy under the auspices of Vladimir Feltsman. Other teachers include Maria Rakovskaya, Natasha Uspenski, Dr. Robert Mumper, Frank logha, and Eteri Andjaparidze.

A frequent performer throughout the NY Metropolitan and Mid-Hudson areas, Shatalova maintains a busy schedule as a collaborative pianist, orchestral performer, soloist and vocal coach. Shatalova collaborates with many professionals and students throughout the Hudson Valley in festivals such as Bachfest and NYSSMA. She plays keyboards with both the Northern Dutchess Symphony Orchestra and the Woodstock Symphony Orchestra. In 2012, with the WCO, Shatalova was a featured soloist in the Bach Brandenburg Concerto #5. Two special collaborations currently are the Two for You Piano Duo with fellow teacher and pianist Carol Losee and the Shatalova-Young duo with violinist Marka Young.

As an educator, Shatalova maintains a full piano studio in New Paltz. Some of her award-winning students have continued their piano studies at Eastman, the Crane School of Music at SUNY Potsdam, SUNY Fredonia, Hartt School of Music, Ithaca College, and Oberlin College. Shatalova is an adjunct professor at her alma mater of SUNY New Paltz, teaching basic music theory and class piano, and serves as a collaborative pianist for the Concert Choir under the direction of the wonderful Dr. John Wilson. Shatalova is also on the teaching roster at Ulster County Community College and has conducted choirs and taught general music in public and private schools. The St. Augustine School Choir performed several times on the local airwaves spreading Christmas cheer.

Shatalova is a member of both Music Teachers National Association and the American College of Musicians. A graduate and faculty member of the Synodal School of Liturgical Music, Shatalova has grown up singing on the kliros and now sings and conducts the choir during services at the St. Nicholas Russian Orthodox Parish in Poughkeepsie, NY. Shatalova is indebted to her mother, Lydia Nikolskaya, who was a member of the Synodal Choir under the direction of B.M. Ledkovsky for her love of Russian Orthodox Church Music and for her love of music in general!



**Josh Stark** 

Josh Stark is the music technician and manager of Studley Theatre at SUNY New Paltz. He is a multi-instrumentalist and active member of the Hudson Valley live music scene, performing and recording with various local bands, producing local shows, as well as touring regionally and beyond. He also teaches at Beacon Music Factory. In October 2025, Stark toured to Spain with the Vibeke Saugestad Band.

