



Norma Jean Hughes

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Profile

As a dedicated music educator with over 40+ years of experience and expertise in the field, I am passionate about cultivating artistic expression and musical skills. My goal is to inspire a lifelong appreciation and love of music, in a learning environment where students of all ages can develop their unique voice and confidence as a performer.

Experience

VOCAL MUSIC TEACHER/CHORAL DIRECTOR, CICELY L. TYSON SCHOOL OF PERFORMING AND FINE ARTS; EAST ORANGE, NJ

2007-2018

- Taught vocal pedagogy, sight reading, ear training and music theory for students in grades 9-12
- Conducted regular rehearsals and performances with soloists, choirs, and ensembles
- Prepared students for competitions, recitals, and college auditions

CEO, NJH MUSIC CONSULTANTS; SOMERSET, NJ

2014-2020

- Provided culturally diverse and educational programming for early childhood education by integrating music into schools to support existing curriculum
- Created original vocal and instrumental music for live performances
- Developed individualized interactive programming to explore academic and musical skills
- Conducted seminars on choir voicing, choir rehearsal best practices, and how music influences the worship service

VOCAL MUSIC TEACHER/CHORAL DIRECTOR, ROSA PARKS FINE AND PERFORMING ARTS HIGH SCHOOL; PATERSON, NJ

1993-2007

- Taught vocal pedagogy, sight reading, ear training and music theory for students in grades 9-12
- Conducted regular rehearsals and performances with soloists, choirs, and ensembles
- Prepared students for competitions, recitals, and college auditions

**MINISTER OF MUSIC, TRINITY TEMPLE SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH; NEWARK, NJ
2000-2006**

- Selected appropriate repertoire for all worship services
- Rehearsed and prepared choirs for worship service
- Provided piano accompaniment for soloists and ensembles

**VOCAL MUSIC TEACHER/CHORAL DIRECTOR, JOHN F. KENNEDY HIGH SCHOOL; PATERSON,
NJ 1989-1993**

- Taught vocal pedagogy, music history, and general music to students in grades 9-12
- Conducted regular rehearsals and performances with soloists, choirs, and ensembles

**GENERAL MUSIC TEACHER/CHORAL DIRECTOR, PUBLIC SCHOOL NO. 18; PATERSON, NJ
1988-1989**

- Taught general music for students in grades 4-8
- Conducted regular rehearsals and performances with soloists, choirs, and ensembles

Education

BA in Vocal Music Education, K-12

Trenton State College (now known as The College of New Jersey), Ewing Township, NJ
1983-1997

Certification

New Jersey Teacher of Music Education, K-12 Certification

Awards

- Teacher of the Year
Rosa Parks Fine and Performing Arts High School, Paterson, NJ
- Community Service
Urban League Guild of Bergen County, NJ
- Community Service
Paterson, NJ Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.
- Professional Achievements in the Arts and Education
The New Jersey State Assembly

Publications

- Love Never Fails SATB Words and Music by Norma Jean Hughes
The Brandon Williams Choral Series/Gentry Publications