

Pierle-CV (Updated 1.26)

# Nicholas Pierle, DMA

DMA Choral Music

MM Choral Conducting; MM Vocal Performance and Vocal Pedagogy

BA Vocal Performance

Estill Figure Proficiency in Estill Voice Training

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## Profile Summary:

- Earned Doctor of Musical Arts in Choral Music at the University of Illinois
- Licensed K-12 Music Educator in NC and SC with 5 years of classroom teaching experience, including one year of work with a community youth chorus
- Experience as Adjunct Professor of Music teaching courses in conducting and assisting in the direction of university choral ensembles
- Engaged in ongoing research in voice pedagogy, choral literature, and performance practice at state, regional, and national conferences
- Certified Estill Voice Trainer through Estill Voice International
- Commitment to providing music instruction to underprivileged populations
- Proven track record of recruitment into collegiate choral programs
- Experience as a church musician and choral educator
- Wide-ranging performance experience as a tenor soloist and conductor, including sacred music, opera, and musical theater

## Education:

**University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign**

**August 2023- May 2026**

*Doctor of Musical Arts in Choral Music*

Cognate: Lyric Theatre

Conducting with Dr. Andrea Solya; Voice with Dr. Scott MacLeod and Dr. Lara Brooks

Cumulative Grade Point Average: 3.96

Graduate Awards:

- Graduate Teaching Assistant (Fall 2023 - Spring 2026)
- List of Teachers Ranked as Excellent by Their Students (Fall 2024, Spring 2025)
- “Research Live!” Competition hosted by UIUC Graduate College, Special Recognition Award with cash prize for presentation “(Y)our Voice (Y)our Choice” (Spring 2026)

Research:

- Dissertation: *Anatomy, Agency, and Artistry: A Qualitative Case Study of Estill Voice Training® in a High School Choir*

- *Passions Past and Present: The Influence of Early Music in Contemporary Passion Settings\**
- *Accessible Choral-Orchestral Masterworks for the High School Choral Program\**
- *Ralph Vaughan Williams: Faith In A Time of War*
- *Musical Theatre's Influence of Pop Music: An Analysis of Two 21st Century Pop Divas*

Doctoral Recital: *Displaced but Delivered*

- World premiere: *While I Was Fearing It* by Carolyn Quick
- US Premiere: *The Rising of The Sun* by Jonathan Dove

Asterisks (\*) indicate research presented at conferences. See "Conference, Concert, Competition and Workshop Appearances" for further details.

## East Carolina University

August 2016-December 2018

*Masters of Music in Choral Conducting*

*Master of Music in Vocal Performance and Vocal Pedagogy*

Conducting with Dr. James Franklin; Voice with Dr. Jami Rhodes

**Cumulative Grade Point Average:** 3.64

### Masters Theses:

*Identifying and Understanding the Discrepancies between Choral and Solo Vocal Singing: A Study*

December 2018

*The Selection and Programming of High School Choral Repertoire and the Growth of the Individual Musician*

April 2018

### Graduate Awards:

- Graduate Teaching Assistantship
  - Assistant Teaching courses in music history and music appreciation
  - Director of Collegiate Choir
  - Assistant Director of Chamber Singers, Men's Ensemble, and University Chorale
- 2017 Regional National Association of Teachers of Singing Competition, Finalist;
  - Qualified for National Competition

## High Point University

August 2012-May 2016

*Bachelor of Arts in Music: Vocal Performance*

Conducting with Dr. Marc Foster; Voice with Dr. Scott MacLeod

**Cumulative Grade Point Average:** 3.59

**Student Teaching:** *Introduction of Conducting*

### Awards:

- Presidential Scholar
- Dean's List Scholar
- 2016 Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges
- 2014 Regional National Association of Teachers of Singing Competition, Finalist
- 2013 Regional National Association of Teachers of Singing Competition, 3<sup>rd</sup> place

**Leadership Experience:**

- Offbeats (co-ed a cappella group), Founder and President
- Mu Phi Epsilon Fraternity, Member
- Sigma Nu Fraternity, Founding Father and Recorder

**Internship Experience:**

- Assistant Director of Music Ministries, Christ United Methodist Church, High Point, NC

**Study Abroad:**

- Prague, Czech Republic, Spring 2015
- Rome, Venice, and Florence, Italy-May 2013

**Professional Experience****University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign****Urbana, IL****August 2023-May 2026****Graduate Teaching Assistant**

- Instructor of record for University Chorus.
- Assist with the direction of university ensembles, including Chamber Singers, Oratorio Society Women's Glee Club, and Varsity Men's Glee Club.
- Organize recruitment initiatives to engage with non-music majors across campus, growing the tenor and bass sections of University Chorus from 3 to 20 singers and growing the size of the Oratorio Society from 76 to 121 singers.
- Manage choral social media pages and develop targeted, engagement-driven content for departmental concerts, including a high-impact post that reached over 25,000 viewers.
- Provide administrative support to the Choral Department, including managing department social media accounts, creating logistics for department-wide concerts, organizing annual choral auditions, and preparing for choir retreats and tours.
- Invited teacher, MUS 346: *Choral Methods for Secondary Ensembles* (May 2026)
- Assist with School of Music choral auditions and other choral events on campus.
- Serve as assistant conductor for choral-orchestral works, including Mozart's *Requiem*, Poulenc's *Gloria*, Rehnqvist's *Silent Earth*, Verdi's *Requiem*, Dvořák's *Te Deum*, and Duruflé's *Requiem*.

**Central Illinois Youth Chorus****Champaign, IL****August 2025-May 2026****Conductor**

- Oversee the direction, rehearsals, and performances of the Youth Chorale, a mixed SATB community choir of 25 advanced high school singers.
- Teach singers a range of singing styles, from the common practice canon to popular music arrangements.
- Recruit singers by visiting local high schools

**Grace Lutheran Church**

**Champaign, IL**

**August 2023-May 2026**

**Director of Music**

- Direct and rehearse the Chancel choir and Handbell ensemble.
- Assist with the planning and execution of weekly liturgy and special services.
- Recruit additional musicians to participate in weekly services, including growing the size of the Chancel and Handbell choirs.
- Promote and direct community-wide choral music initiatives by organizing concerts hosted by the ELCA churches in the Champaign-Urbana area.
- Raise over \$2500 in funds to support the previously named choral music initiatives.
- Grow the skill level of the Handbell ensemble from performing Level 2 pieces to Level 4 pieces.
- Prepare the choir to perform biannual cantatas, including Durante's *Magnificat*, Vivaldi's *Magnificat*, Bach's *Actus Tragicus*, and Britten's *Rejoice in the Lamb*.

**Queens University of Charlotte**

**Charlotte, NC**

**August 2021-July 2023**

**Adjunct Professor of Music**

- Instructor of record for *Introduction to Conducting* course for undergraduate students.
- Assisted in the direction of the Royal Voices of Charlotte, which won two first-place international competitions, in British Columbia, Canada (International Choral Kathaumixw) and Greece (Preveza International Choral Festival).
- Prepared the Queens Choral Union Choir for various staged and choral-orchestra performances.
- Performed as a featured soloist for small and large-scale productions, including *HMS Pinafore* and *Iolanthe* (Sullivan) and *Petite messe solennelle* (Rossini).

**Fort Mill School District (FMSD)**

**Fort Mill, SC**

**August 2022-July 2023**

**Choir Director**

- Instructed 300 students spanning 6th-8th grade in general music and choir
- Directed and oversaw the development of Springfield Out Loud (SOL), the only show choir in FMSD
- Developed curricula that aligned with SC Essential Music Standards for middle school music.
- Planned and executed choir trips around the state and to Florida.

**St. Matthew Catholic Church**

**Charlotte, NC**

**August 2021-July 2023**

**Cantor and Accompanist**

- Led the congregation in worship as cantor
- Serve as tenor section leader in the choir
- Assisting the director in other tasks, including subbing for the director in rehearsals and services as needed.

**Diocese of Charlotte**

**Charlotte, NC**

**August 2020-July 2022**

**Music Teacher**

- Instructed 500 students spanning PreK-5th grade in elementary general music and choir.

- Scheduled, rehearsed, and conducted music programs for weekly masses and other concerts throughout the school year.
- Provided stage and music direction for school musical productions with casts of 40–50 students.
- Developed curricula that aligned with NC Essential Music Standards for elementary K-5 music.

**Central Steele Creek Presbyterian Church**                      **Charlotte, NC**                      **April 2021-February 2022**

**Director of Music Ministries**

- Directed and rehearsed the choir, handbell ensemble, and praise band.
- Expanded the growth of the music ministry by doubling the participating musicians.
- Recruited additional musicians to participate in weekly services.
- Developed and executed a growth plan of the Central Fine Arts Academy Outreach Program successfully throughout the COVID-19 Pandemic.

**Northside Christian Academy**                      **Charlotte, NC**                      **August 2019-July 2020**

**Music Teacher**

- Instruct K-12 general music and choral music classes
- Instruct the Yearbook class, which received the 2020 National Yearbook Program of Excellence Award from Jostens Yearbooks
- Oversee the music direction for the middle school and high school musical productions
- Organize and prepare the choir for overnight choir tours around North Carolina

**Conference, Concert, Competition and Workshop Appearances**

*see an extensive list under Selected Performance Resume*

<b>Research Presenter</b>	Symposium for Research in Choral Singing	Chicago, IL	April 2026
	Title: <i>(Ch)Oral Twang: Applying Estill Voice Model Strategies to the Choral Rehearsal</i>		
<b>Research Presenter</b>	Southern ACDA Conference	Memphis, TN	March 2026
	National ACDA Conference	Dallas, TX	March 2025
	Title: <i>Passions Past and Present: The Influence of Early Music in Contemporary Passion Settings</i>		
<b>Lift Every Voice Symposium*</b>	University of Illinois	Urbana, IL	October 2025
<b>Choral Masterworks*</b>	Eastman School of Music	Rochester, NY	July 2024
<b>Research Presenter</b>	NC ACDA Sunday Seminars	Webinar	November 2024
	Title: <i>Accessible Choral-Orchestral Masterworks for the High School Choral Program</i>		
<b>Varsity Men’s Glee Club*</b>	IL-ACDA State Conference	Urbana, IL	October 2023
<b>Conducting Masterclass*</b>	UIUC ACDA Student Chapter	Urbana, IL	October 2023
<b>Royal Voices of Charlotte *</b>	Kathauxmixw Choral Comp.	Powell River, BC	July 2023
<b>Royal Voices of Charlotte</b>	Carnegie Hall	New York City, NY	June 2022
<b>Royal Voices of Charlotte</b>	NC-ACDA Conference	Raleigh, NC	October 2021
<b>NCA Choirs*</b>	Biltmore Estate	Asheville, NC	December 2019

**Project Harmony Choir\*** Prelude Concert Belk Theatre, Charlotte, NC April 2019  
 (\*) indicates conductor or clinician presenter

**Invited Masterclass Appearances**

Malcolm Merriweather	Conducting	Eastman School of Music	July 2024
William Weinert	Conducting	Eastman School of Music	July 2024
Gregory Buchalter	Conducting	Varna International Music Academy	July 2022
Charles Jones Evans	Conducting	Varna International Music Academy	July 2022
Scott Skiba	Acting, Voice	Hawaii Performing Arts Festival	July 2018
Beth Dunnington	Acting	Hawaii Performing Arts Festival	July 2018
Lawrence Brownlee	Voice	Cornish-American Song Institute	June 2017
Roger Vignoles	Voice	Cornish-American Song Institute	June 2017
Daniel Shirley	Voice	East Carolina University	February 2017
Simon Carrington	Conducting	East Carolina University	January 2017
Larry Rachleff	Conducting	Miami Music Festival	July 2016
David Effron	Conducting	Miami Music Festival	July 2016
Jacomo Bairos	Conducting	Miami Music Festival	July 2016
Robert Wells	Voice	High Point, NC	February 2014

**Professional Development:**

Estill Figure Proficiency	Estill Voice International	June 2025
Conducting Fellow	Eastman Choral Institute	July 2024
Chorus Master	Varna International Music Academy	July 2022
Conducting Fellow	Varna International Music Academy	July 2022
Young Artist	Cornish American Song Institute	June 2017
Conducting Fellow	Miami Music Festival	July 2016

**Professional Memberships:**

- Estill Voice International
- American Choral Directors Association
- National Association for Music Education
- National Association of Teachers of Singing
- National Collegiate Choral Organization
- National Opera Association

## References:

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**Dr. Scott MacLeod**, *Associate Professor of Voice,*  
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**Dr. Hilary Apfelstadt**, *Professor Emerita,*  
*University of Toronto*  
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**Dr. Justin Smith**, *Director of Choral Activities,*  
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**Prof. Sarah Wigley**, *Professor of Voice,*  
*University of Illinois*  
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**Dr. Andrew Major**, *Assistant Professor of Choral*  
*Music, University of Illinois*  
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## Performance Experience:

### Major Works Conducted:

<i>Alles was ihr tut</i> (BuxWV 4)	Buxtehude, Dieterich	Grace Lutheran Church	May 2026
<i>Requiem</i> *	Verdi, Giuseppe	University of Illinois	April 2026
<i>Simon Bore The Cross</i>	Bonds, Margaret	Grace Lutheran Church	March 2026
<i>Stabat Mater</i>	Pergolesi, G.B.	Grace Lutheran Church	March 2026
<i>Magnificat</i>	Durante, Francesco	Grace Lutheran Church	December 2025
<i>Gloria</i> *	Poulenc, Francis	University of Illinois	December 2025
<i>Silent Earth</i> *	Rehnqvist, Karin	University of Illinois	October 2025
<i>Requiem</i> *	Durufié, Maurice	University of Illinois	October 2025
<i>To The Hands</i>	Shaw, Caroline	University of Illinois	May 2025
<i>To Be Known</i>	Hagen, Jocelyn	University of Illinois	May 2025
<i>Gottes Zeit ist die allerbeste Zeit</i> (BWV 106)	Bach, J.S.	Grace Lutheran Church Queens University of Charlotte*	April 2025 February 2022
<i>Magnificat</i>	Vivaldi, Antonio	Grace Lutheran Church	December 2024
<i>Gloria</i>	Vivaldi, Antonio	University of Illinois* Queens University of Charlotte East Carolina University	December 2024 April 2023 December 2017
<i>Missa Sancti Nicolai</i>	Haydn, Joseph	University of Illinois	November 2024
<i>Te Deum</i> *	Dvorak, Antonin	University of Illinois	October 2024
<i>B Minor Mass</i>	Bach, J.S.	Eastman School of Music	July 2024
<i>Credo</i>	Bonds, Margaret	Eastman School of Music	July 2024
<i>Symphony No. 9</i> *	Beethoven, Ludwig van	University of Illinois	April 2024
<i>Membra Jesu Nostri</i>	Buxtehude, Dieterich	University of Illinois	March 2024
<i>The Notebooks of</i> <i>Leonardo da Vinci</i> *	Hagen, Jocelyn	University of Illinois	February 2024
<i>Te Deum</i> *	Bruckner, Anton	University of Illinois	February 2024
<i>Rejoice in the Lamb</i>	Britten, Benjamin	Grace Lutheran Church East Carolina University	December 2023 February 2017
<i>Iolanthe</i> *	Sullivan, Arthur	Queens University of Charlotte	November 2022
<i>Carmen</i> **	Bizet, Georges	Varna Int'l Music Academy	July 2022
<i>Exultate Jubilate</i>	Mozart, W.A.	Varna Int'l Music Academy	July 2022
<i>Stabat Mater</i> *	Rossini, Gioachino	Varna Int'l Music Academy	July 2022
<i>SchoolHouse Rock Live Jr.</i>	Dorough, Bob	St. Patrick Catholic School	April 2022
<i>Sacred Concerts</i> *	Ellington, Duke	Queens University of Charlotte	April 2022
<i>Lux Aeterna</i> *	Lauridsen, Morten	Queens University of Charlotte	February 2022
<i>HMS Pinafore</i> *	Sullivan, Arthur	Queens University of Charlotte	November 2021
<i>The Wiz</i>	Smalls, Charlie	Northside Christian Academy	March 2020
<i>Annie</i>	Strouse, Charles	Northside Christian Academy	February 2020

\*-denotes assistant conductor

\*\* -denotes chorus master

## Roles Performed:

Strephon	<i>Iolanthe</i> (Sullivan)	Queens University of Charlotte	November 2022
Ralph Rackstraw	<i>H.M.S. Pinafore</i> (Sullivan)	Queens University of Charlotte	November 2021
Mr. Erlanson	<i>A Little Night Music</i> (Sondheim)	ECU Opera Theatre	November 2018
Beadle Bamford	<i>Sweeney Todd: The Demon Barber of Fleet Street</i> (Sondheim)	Hawaii Performing Arts Festival	July 2018
Chorus	<i>Dialogue of the Carmelites</i> (Poulenc)	ECU Opera Theatre	April 2018
The Lord Chancellor	<i>Iolanthe</i> (Sullivan)	ECU Opera Theatre	November 2017
Chorus	<i>Don Giovanni</i> (Mozart)	ECU Opera Theatre	April 2017
Man 2	<i>Songs for A New World</i> (Brown)	High Point University	April 2016

## Oratorio and Concert Works Performed (Tenor):

<i>Privilege</i>	Hearn, Ted	University of Illinois	May 2026
<i>Messe de Minuit Pour Noël</i>	Charpentier, MA	University of Illinois NC Baroque Orchestra	November 2025 May 2024
<i>Nach, dir Herr, verlanget mich</i> (BWV 150)	Bach, J.S.	University of Illinois	March 2024
<i>Petite Messe Solennelle</i>	Rossini, Gioachino	Queens University of Charlotte	April 2023
<i>Gottes Zeit ist die allerbeste Zeit</i> (BWV 106)	Bach, J.S.	Bach Akademie Charlotte	June 2022 February 2022
<i>Harmoniemesse</i>	Haydn, Joseph	Providence UMC (Charlotte, NC)	May 2022
<i>Sacred Concerts</i>	Ellington, Duke	Queens University of Charlotte	April 2022
<i>Messiah</i>	Handel, G.F.	High Point University	December 2021 December 2013 First Baptist Church (Goldsboro, NC) December 2019 St. James UMC (Greenville, NC) December 2017
<i>Mass in F</i>	Albrechtsberger, Johann Georg	Carolina Catholic Chorale	June 2021 March 2021
<i>Mass for 5 Voices</i>	Byrd, William	Carolina Catholic Chorale	March 2021
<i>Missa Brevis in D Major</i>	Mozart, W.A.	Carolina Catholic Chorale	December 2020
<i>Missa Brevis in Bb Major</i>	Mozart, W.A.	Carolina Catholic Chorale	November 2020
<i>Mass in G Major</i>	Schubert, Franz	Carolina Catholic Chorale East Carolina University	June 2020 January 2020 May 2019 May 2018
<i>Canticle II: Abraham and Issac</i>	Britten, Benjamin	East Carolina University	May 2018
<i>Lux: The Dawn From on High</i>	Forrest, Dan	Greenville Choral Society	December 2018
<i>Chichester Psalms</i>	Bernstein, Leonard	Greenville Choral Society	April 2018
<i>Hodie, A Christmas Cantata</i>	Vaughan Williams, Ralph	Greenville Choral Society	December 2017
<i>Requiem in C</i>	Haydn, Michael	Greenville Choral Society	April 2017

## Other Recital, Conducting, and Concert Experience:

DMA Degree Recital	Urbana, IL	May 2025
Royal Voices of Charlotte: Int'l Choral Festival of Preveza	Preveza, Greece	July 2024
Varsity Men's Glee Club @ IL-ACDA State Conference	Urbana, IL	October 2023

Royal Voices of Charlotte: Kathaumixw Int'l Choral Competition		Powell River, BC	July 2023
Springfield Out Loud (SOL) @ Universal Studios Orlando		Orlando, FL	April 2023
Springfield MS Choirs Concert		Fort Mill, SC	December '22/May '23
St. Ann Christmas Concert: Sounds of the Season		Charlotte, NC	December 2021
St. Patrick Christmas Concert: Sounds of the Season		Charlotte, NC	December 2021
Queens University Moravian Love Feast		Charlotte, NC	December 2021
Queens University Family Weekend Chapel Service		Charlotte, NC	October 2021
St. Patrick School Virtual Musical Scenes Program		Charlotte, NC	May 2021
St. Ann School Virtual Choir		Charlotte, NC	May 2021
			December 2020
St. Patrick School Virtual Choir		Charlotte, NC	May 2021
			December 2020
NCA Choirs	Biltmore Estate	Asheville, NC	December 2019
Project Harmony Prelude Concert	Belk Theatre	Charlotte, NC	April 2019
Graduate Voice Recital	East Carolina University	Greenville, NC	December 2018
Graduate Conducting Recital	East Carolina University	Greenville, NC	April 2018
			December 2017
Senior Recital	High Point University	High Point, NC	April 2016
Junior Recital	High Point University	High Point, NC	April 2015
		Prague, Czech Republic	March 2015

### Ensemble Experience:

Chamber Singers**		University of Illinois	2023-Present
Varsity Men's Glee Club**		University of Illinois	2023-2024
Oratorio Society*		University of Illinois	2023-Present
Bach Akademie Charlotte*		Charlotte, NC	2022
Royal Voices of Charlotte**		Charlotte, NC	2021-Present
Queens University Choral Union**		Charlotte, NC	2021-2023
Carolina Catholic Chorale*		Charlotte, NC	2019-2023
Taylor Festival Choir*		Charleston, SC	2019
Carolina Choral Artists		Greenville, NC	2019-2020
Greenville Choral Society*		Greenville, NC	2016-2018
Chamber Singers*		East Carolina University	2016-2018
University Chorale*		East Carolina University	2016-2018
Men's Ensemble*		East Carolina University	2016-2018
Chamber Singers*		High Point University	2013-2016
University Singers		High Point University	2013-2014
Chapel Choir		High Point University	2012-2016

\*section leader/choral scholar/paid singer

\*\*Teaching Assistant/Assistant Director

### Previous Work Experience:

Director of Youth Chorale	Central Illinois Youth Choir	2025-present
Director of Music Ministries	Grace Lutheran Church	2023-Present
Choir Director	Springfield Middle School (Fort Mill School District)	2022-2023
Adjunct Professor of Music	Queens University of Charlotte	2021-2023

Tenor Section Leader and Accompanist	St. Matthew Catholic Church	2021-2023
Tenor Section Leader	Carolina Catholic Chorale	2019-2023
Director of Music Ministries	Central Steel Creek Presbyterian Church	2021-2023
Music Teacher	Mecklenburg Area Catholic Schools	2020-2022
Teaching Faculty	Arts Plus	2019-2022
Tenor Section Leader	St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church	2019-2022
Music Teacher	Northside Christian Academy	2019-2020
Assistant Director and Stage Manager	Oberlin in Italy (Arezzo, Italy)	2017
Choral Scholar	St. James UMC (Greenville, NC)	2017-2018
Choral Scholar	Greenville Choral Society	2016-2018
Nicholas Pierle Music Studios	Charlotte, NC; Champaign, IL	2016-Present
Interim Director of Music Ministries	Christ UMC (High Point, NC)	2016
Assistant Director of Music Ministries	Christ UMC (High Point, NC)	2014-2016

**Teachers:**

Andrea Solya - conducting  
 Andrew Major - conducting  
 Scott MacLeod - voice  
 Jerold Siena - voice  
 Hilary Apfelstadt - conducting  
 Kathy Romey - conducting  
 Jameson Marvin - conducting  
 Andre Thomas - conducting  
 Ann Howard Jones - conducting  
 James Franklin - conducting  
 Jami Rhodes - voice  
 Marc Foster - conducting

**Directors:**

Julie Gunn  
 Sarah Wigley  
 Scott MacLeod  
 John Kramar  
 Justin John Moniz  
 Alistair Donkin  
 Laurence Cox  
 Lindsay Lefler

**Coaches:**

Anthony Patterson  
 Catherine Garner  
 Ben Blozan  
 Susan Young

**Conductors:**

Andrea Solya  
 Andrew Major  
 Hilary Apfelstadt  
 Kathy Romey  
 Andre Thomas  
 James Franklin  
 Marc Foster  
 Thomas Savoy  
 Jennifer Tung  
 Scott Allen Jarrett

# Pierle-Performance Resume

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<i>HMS Pinafore</i> *	Sullivan, Arthur	Queens University of Charlotte	November 2021
<i>The Wiz</i>	Smalls, Charlie	Northside Christian Academy	March 2020

Annie	Strouse, Charles	Northside Christian Academy	February 2020
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\*-denotes assistant conductor

\*\* -denotes chorus master

### Roles Performed:

Strephon	<i>Iolanthe</i> (Sullivan)	Queens University of Charlotte	November 2022
Ralph Rackstraw	<i>H.M.S. Pinafore</i> (Sullivan)	Queens University of Charlotte	November 2021
Mr. Erlanson	<i>A Little Night Music</i> (Sondheim)	ECU Opera Theatre	November 2018
Beadle Bamford	<i>Sweeney Todd: The Demon Barber of Fleet Street</i> (Sondheim)	Hawaii Performing Arts Festival	July 2018
Chorus	<i>Dialogue of the Carmelites</i> (Poulenc)	ECU Opera Theatre	April 2018
The Lord Chancellor	<i>Iolanthe</i> (Sullivan)	ECU Opera Theatre	November 2017
Chorus	<i>Don Giovanni</i> (Mozart)	ECU Opera Theatre	April 2017
Man 2	<i>Songs for A New World</i> (Brown)	High Point University	April 2016

### Oratorio and Concert Works Performed (Tenor):

<i>Messe de Minuit Pour Noël</i>	Charpentier, MA	University of Illinois NC Baroque Orchestra	November 2025 May 2024
<i>Nach, dir Herr, verlanget mich</i> (BWV 150)	Bach, J.S.	University of Illinois	March 2024
<i>Petite Messe Solennelle</i>	Rossini, Gioachino	Queens University of Charlotte	April 2023
<i>Gottes Zeit ist die allerbeste Zeit</i> (BWV 106)	Bach, J.S.	Bach Akademie Charlotte	June 2022 February 2022
<i>Harmoniemesse</i>	Haydn, Joseph	Providence UMC (Charlotte, NC)	May 2022
<i>Sacred Concerts</i>	Ellington, Duke	Queens University of Charlotte	April 2022
<i>Messiah</i>	Handel, G.F.	High Point University	December 2021 December 2013
		First Baptist Church (Goldsboro, NC)	December 2019
<i>Mass in F</i>	Albrechtsberger, Johann Georg	St. James UMC (Greenville, NC) Carolina Catholic Chorale	December 2017 June 2021
			March 2021
<i>Mass for 5 Voices</i>	Byrd, William	Carolina Catholic Chorale	March 2021
		Carolina Catholic Chorale	December 2020
<i>Missa Brevis in D Major</i>	Mozart, W.A.	Carolina Catholic Chorale	November 2020
		Carolina Catholic Chorale	June 2020
<i>Missa Brevis in Bb Major</i>	Mozart, W.A.	Carolina Catholic Chorale	January 2020
<i>Mass in G Major</i>	Schubert, Franz	Carolina Catholic Chorale	May 2019
		East Carolina University	May 2018
<i>Canticle II: Abraham and Issac</i>	Britten, Benjamin	East Carolina University	May 2018
<i>Lux: The Dawn From on High</i>	Forrest, Dan	Greenville Choral Society	December 2018
<i>Chichester Psalms</i>	Bernstein, Leonard	Greenville Choral Society	April 2018
<i>Hodie, A Christmas Cantata</i>	Vaughan Williams, Ralph	Greenville Choral Society	December 2017
<i>Requiem in C</i>	Haydn, Michael	Greenville Choral Society	April 2017

## Other Recital, Conducting, and Concert Experience:

DMA Degree Recital		Urbana, IL	May 2025
Royal Voices of Charlotte: Int'l Choral Festival of Preveza		Preveza, Greece	July 2024
Varsity Men's Glee Club @ IL-ACDA State Conference		Urbana, IL	October 2023
Royal Voices of Charlotte: Kathaumixw Int'l Choral Competition		Powell River, BC	July 2023
Springfield Out Loud (SOL) @ Universal Studios Orlando		Orlando, FL	April 2023
Springfield MS Choirs Concert		Fort Mill, SC	December '22/May '23
St. Ann Christmas Concert: Sounds of the Season		Charlotte, NC	December 2021
St. Patrick Christmas Concert: Sounds of the Season		Charlotte, NC	December 2021
Queens University Moravian Love Feast		Charlotte, NC	December 2021
Queens University Family Weekend Chapel Service		Charlotte, NC	October 2021
St. Patrick School Virtual Musical Scenes Program		Charlotte, NC	May 2021
St. Ann School Virtual Choir		Charlotte, NC	May 2021
			December 2020
St. Patrick School Virtual Choir		Charlotte, NC	May 2021
			December 2020
NCA Choirs	Biltmore Estate	Asheville, NC	December 2019
Project Harmony Prelude Concert	Belk Theatre	Charlotte, NC	April 2019
Graduate Voice Recital	East Carolina University	Greenville, NC	December 2018
Graduate Conducting Recital	East Carolina University	Greenville, NC	April 2018
			December 2017
Senior Recital	High Point University	High Point, NC	April 2016
Junior Recital	High Point University	High Point, NC	April 2015
		Prague, Czech Republic	March 2015

## Ensemble Experience:

Chamber Singers**		University of Illinois	2023-Present
Varsity Men's Glee Club**		University of Illinois	2023-2024
Oratorio Society*		University of Illinois	2023-Present
Bach Akademie Charlotte*		Charlotte, NC	2022
Royal Voices of Charlotte**		Charlotte, NC	2021-Present
Queens University Choral Union**		Charlotte, NC	2021-2023
Carolina Catholic Chorale*		Charlotte, NC	2019-2023
Taylor Festival Choir*		Charleston, SC	2019
Carolina Choral Artists		Greenville, NC	2019-2020
Greenville Choral Society*		Greenville, NC	2016-2018
Chamber Singers*		East Carolina University	2016-2018
University Chorale*		East Carolina University	2016-2018
Men's Ensemble*		East Carolina University	2016-2018
Chamber Singers*		High Point University	2013-2016
University Singers		High Point University	2013-2014
Chapel Choir		High Point University	2012-2016

\*section leader/choral scholar/paid singer

\*\*Teaching Assistant/Assistant Director

## Previous Work Experience:

Director of Youth Chorale	Central Illinois Youth Choir	2025-present
Director of Music Ministries	Grace Lutheran Church	2023-Present
Choir Director	Springfield Middle School (Fort Mill School District)	2022-2023
Adjunct Professor of Music	Queens University of Charlotte	2021-2023
Tenor Section Leader and Accompanist	St. Matthew Catholic Church	2021-2023
Tenor Section Leader	Carolina Catholic Chorale	2019-2023
Director of Music Ministries	Central Steel Creek Presbyterian Church	2021-2023
Music Teacher	Mecklenburg Area Catholic Schools	2020-2022
Teaching Faculty	Arts Plus	2019-2022
Tenor Section Leader	St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church	2019-2022
Music Teacher	Northside Christian Academy	2019-2020
Assistant Director and Stage Manager	Oberlin in Italy (Arezzo, Italy)	2017
Choral Scholar	St. James UMC (Greenville, NC)	2017-2018
Choral Scholar	Greenville Choral Society	2016-2018
Nicholas Pierle Music Studios	Charlotte, NC; Champaign, IL	2016-Present
Interim Director of Music Ministries	Christ UMC (High Point, NC)	2016
Assistant Director of Music Ministries	Christ UMC (High Point, NC)	2014-2016

## Teachers:

Andrea Solya - conducting  
Andrew Major - conducting  
Scott MacLeod - voice  
Jerold Siena - voice  
Hilary Apfelstadt - conducting  
Kathy Romey - conducting  
Jameson Marvin - conducting  
Andre Thomas - conducting  
Ann Howard Jones - conducting  
James Franklin - conducting  
Jami Rhodes - voice  
Marc Foster - conducting

## Directors:

Julie Gunn  
Sarah Wigley  
Scott MacLeod  
John Kramar  
Justin John Moniz  
Alistair Donkin  
Laurence Cox  
Lindsay Lefler

## Coaches:

Anthony Patterson  
Catherine Garner  
Ben Blozan  
Susan Young

## Conductors:

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Hilary Apfelstadt  
Kathy Romey  
Andre Thomas  
James Franklin  
Marc Foster  
Thomas Savoy  
Jennifer Tung  
Scott Allen Jarrett

