

# KYLE J. WEARY, PHD

## SUMMARY OF QUALIFICATIONS

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- Teaching Certification: Music k-12 (PA & MD), English 7-12 (PA & MD), ESL k-12 (PA)
- Advanced Training in: Music Literacy, Conducting, Vocal Pedagogy, Voice Science
- Conducting (Choral, wind/orchestral, theatrical, opera)
- Advanced Skills in: voice (well versed in vocal techniques), piano, percussion (mallet)
- Music Technology: Finale music software, Sibelius music software, Garage Band, iMovie, Audacity.
- Computer skills: Microsoft Office Suite and various desktop publishing programs, SmartBoard trained, SmartNotebook trained, website development
- Trained in: Best Practices (Learning Focused Strategies) and Classroom Differentiation
- Theatre direction (Vocal and Stage Direction)

## EDUCATION

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**Auburn University, Auburn, AL** 2022  
 Doctor of Philosophy, Music Education

*Dissertation*

Title “Skills Sequencing in Music Literacy Instruction: A National Survey of the Pedagogy Practices of Secondary Choral Directors” Dissertation advisor: Jane Kuehne, Department of Curriculum and Teaching, Auburn University

**University of South Florida, Tampa, FL** 2021  
 Diversity, Equity and Inclusion in the Workplace Certificate

**Wilkes University, Wilkes-Barre, PA** 2019  
 English as a Second Language Program Specialist

**Shenandoah Conservatory of Music, Winchester, VA** 2008  
 Master of Music; Conducting (additional studies in Vocal Pedagogy)

**Shenandoah Conservatory of Music, Winchester, VA** 2006  
 Somatic Voicework™ - The LoVetri Method - Level III Certification  
 Certificate -- CCM Theatre Vocal Pedagogy Institute

**Shenandoah Conservatory of Music, Winchester, VA** 2005  
 Bachelor of Music; Music Education

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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### **Gettysburg College, Gettysburg, PA**

2022-Present

*Visiting Assistant Professor of Music Education*

- Courses Taught -
  - Mus\_Clas 149 - Social Foundations of Music Education
  - Mus\_Clas 410 - Teaching and Conducting Choral Ensembles
  - Mus\_Clas 321 - Teaching Adolescents Music
  - Mus\_Clas 440 - Student Teacher Seminar
  - Mus\_Clas 476 - Student Teacher Supervision
  - Mus\_Clas 250 - Opera Workshop
  - Mus\_Clas 320 - Teaching Children Music
  - EDU\_320 - Teaching Culturally and Linguistically Diverse Students

### **Towson University, Towson, MD**

2021-Present

*Adjunct Instructor of Music Education*

- MUED662 - Graduate Seminar in Choral Vocal Music

### **South Middleton School District, Boiling Springs, PA**

2019-2022

*Director of Choirs, Theatre, and General Music- Middle School and High School*

- Teaching Responsibilities - 6th grade, 7th grade, 8th grade general music, HS Guitar class, HS Theatre class, Music Theory, Voice Class
- Director of Choirs - 6th grade chorus, 7th/8th grade chorus, Concert Choir, Chamber Choir
- Stage Director, Music Director and Business Manager for High School Musical
- Stage Director, Music Director and Business Manager for Middle School School Musical
- Fall Play director
- Curriculum Writing - rewrote middle school general music curriculum, wrote theatre arts course

### **West Shore School District, New Cumberland, PA**

2017-2019

*Elementary Music Specialist*

- General Music and Choral Specialist at Washington Heights and Newberry Elementary Schools
- Teaching responsibilities: General Music for grades k-5, chorus
- Led the rewriting, redesigning, and realigning of district-wide curriculum for grades k-5 in general music.
- Assistant Director for Red Land High School musical (Peter Pan, Shrek)
- Director for Red Land High School fall play (Once on This Island Jr.)
- Hosted Student Teacher from Messiah College
- Elementary Report Card Committee - elementary specialist representative for aligning report cards to Standards Based Grading.

### **Barbara Ingram School for the Arts; Washington County BOE, MD**

*Vocal Music Department - Lead Teacher/Choral Director*

- Founder of Vocal Music Program
- Department Head for Vocal Music program.
- Teaching Responsibilities - Diction for Singers, Music Theory, AP Music Theory, Conducting, Opera Workshop
- Curriculum writer for all courses in the vocal music department.
- Oversee adjunct staff teaching: class piano, applied lessons, music theory, and sight singing.

- Created music department yearly teaching schedule.
- Created music majors schedules (yearly).
- Director of Choral Activities - ensembles include: Chamber Choir, Cantata Women's Choir, Vocal Jazz Ensemble
- Music Director for All School Musicals (vocal and orchestra) - oversee, with stage director a budget of approximately \$80,000 - \$100,000 per production.
- Vocal Choirs invited to join mass choir in the New York Premier of Eric Whitacre's "Paradise Lost" at Carnegie Hall (6/2010)
- Vocal Students invited to be backup singers for Todd Rundgren in Philadelphia (9/2010)

**Shepherd University; Shepherdstown, WV** 2012-2013  
*Adjunct Instructor of Music*

- Course taught - Choral Pedagogy

**Harrisburg Area Community College; Harrisburg, PA** 2008-2012  
*Adjunct Instructor of Music*

- Course taught - Introduction to Music (MUSC102)

**Hampden Elementary School; Cumberland Valley SD, Mech., PA** 2008-2009  
*Vocal/General Music Teacher/Choral Director*

- Teach grades 1-5 general music and chorus to approx. 650 students.
- Participated in the rewriting, redesigning, and realigning of district-wide curriculum for grades 1-5 in general music.
- Participated in training for technology integration for the classroom (SmartNotebook, SmartBoard, etc.)
- Training in: Best Practices in Teaching - Learning Focus Strategies and Classroom Differentiation.

**Perryville High School; Cecil County BOE, Perryville, MD** 2005-2007  
*High School Choral Director and general music teacher.*

- Taught Classes including: Chamber Choir, Show Choir, Women's Choir. Concert Choir, Theatre, Intro to Dance, History of American Music, Music Theory and Class Piano.
- Music Director for All-School Musical
- Music Festival Trips: Williamsburg, VA - Excellent rating; New York, NY - Excellent ratings.
- Coordinator of auditorium use for outside events including elementary school concerts and presentations for school.
- Oversaw a budget for music purchase, trips and fundraisers.

## **PUBLICATIONS**

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Weary, K. (2024) Slaying the Classroom: A Transgressive Teaching Anthology of the Pedagogy of Drag. Satterly, B. (Ed.), *The Art of the Slow Reveal... "The Padding and Unpadding of The Lady Vermouth..."*. McFarland Publishing.

McLamb, S.F. & Weary, K.J (2023) Dictator No More! Building Autonomy in your program with student-led instruction *Teaching Music Magazine*, 31(2), 10-11.

Weary, Kyle (2020). Lyric sheets to music notation: Music literacy in elementary and beginning choirs. *Maryland Music Educator*, 66(3), 23-25.

Weary, Kyle (2012, March). Teaching musical literacy - Developing the independent choral singer. *Choral Director*, 12-15.

Weary, Kyle (2011, January). Vocal pedagogy in the choral rehearsal - Becoming a vocal technician. *Choral Director*, 21-23.

## **OTHER EXPERIENCE**

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**Whitaker Center; Harrisburg, PA** 2018-Present

*Theatre Camp Director*

- Administrator and Director of full day summer camp performing Broadway Jr. musical - grades 3-9 (2019-2021), added high school program 2022 [*Frozen Jr. & Willy Wonka Jr*, 2019; *Moana Jr & Seussical Jr*. 2020; *Lion King Jr. & Matilda Jr*. 2021; *Shrek Jr, Jungle Book Kids, Addams Family Young@Part*, 2022; *Aristocats Kids, Finding Nemo Jr, Mean Girls Jr*, 2023]
- Wrote curriculum for half day, week-long theatre summer camp. (2018)
- Directed, music directed, and choreographed 15 minute show for campers in grades 1-5 and 6-8. (2018)

**Silver Spring Presbyterian Church; Mechanicsburg, PA** 2016-Present

*Director of Traditional Music (2016-2017)*

*Director of Music (2017-Present)*

- Oversee a paid music staff of 7 members.
- Coordinated rehearsal schedules for all ensembles at church.
- Scheduled special music events and special music services.
- Chose music relevant to service requests.
- Coordinated and oversaw long term planning for music staff.
- Chose music appropriate for services that in which choirs participated.
- Worship Leader for Contemporary Worship Service

**Washington County Public Schools; Hagerstown, MD** 2010 - 2017

*Music Integration Specialist - Primary Literacy and Math Summer Camp*

- Assisted teaching staff in music integration in study of math and literacy.
- Organized and provided leadership for students at the indoor based camp, where the primary program emphasis was on mathematics and literacy, providing constructive use of summer vacation, developing reading and math skills, and enhancing social development of individual campers through visual and performing arts.

**Palmyra Church of the Brethren, Palmyra, PA** 2006-2009

*Director of Music; Director of Adult/Youth Choirs.*

- Oversaw a paid music staff of 5 members.
- Coordinated rehearsal schedules for all ensembles at church.
- Scheduled special music events and special music services.
- Chose music relevant to service requests.
- Coordinated and oversaw long term planning for music staff.
- Chose music appropriate for services that in which choirs participated.

## CHORAL PREPARATION

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Holsts “The Planet’s” MD Symphony, Elizabeth Schulze, director, April 2017  
“Home for the Holiday’s” MD Symphony, Elizabeth Schulze, director, December 2016  
“Home for the Holiday’s” MD Symphony, Elizabeth Schulze, director, December 2014  
“Home for the Holiday’s” MD Symphony, Elizabeth Schulze, director, December 2013  
“Magnificat in D” Bach, Hagerstown Choral Arts, March 2013  
“Mass in D Minor” Haydn, Hagerstown Choral Arts, March 2012  
Maryland Inaugural Performance, Annapolis, MD, January 2011  
“Messiah” Handel, Hagerstown Choral Arts, December 2010  
“Paradise Lost: Darkness & Shadows” Eric Whitacre, Carnegie Hall, June 2010

## SERVICE

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### **West Shore School District, New Cumberland, PA**

*Elementary Report Card Committee member* 2018-2019  
*Elementary Music Curriculum Writer* 2017-2019

### **Washington County Public Schools; Hagerstown, MD**

2015-2016

*Digital Learning Committee, High School Chair*

- Led group through the process of selecting digital technology to support 21st Century Learning Skills initiative in the classroom for 1:1 device integration.
- Supported group as a facilitator and leader in selection of apps, programs, and devices.

### **American Choral Directors Association: Maryland/DC Chapter**

2011-2017

*Jazz and Show Choir Repertoire and Standards Chair*

### **Fine, Visual, & Performing Arts Curriculum Committee Member**

2011-2017

Hagerstown Community College

### **Washington County Public Schools; Hagerstown, MD**

2010-2011

*Co-Chair, 3<sup>rd</sup> Generation Study Group*

- Co-Chaired study group for an Arts Magnet Middle School program

### **The National Association for Music Education: MENC**

November 2010

*Chorus Mentor - Online forum mentor*

September 2009

- Respond to forum postings and post on forum to facilitate discussions, ideas, and tips regarding choral music

## HONORS & AWARDS

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2018 Young Career Achievement Award, Shenandoah University Alumni Association  
2017 Grammy Music Educator Award National Nominee, Quarterfinalist  
2016 The American Prize - Finalist for Choral Conducting, Musical Theatre Ensemble Performance; Semi-Finalist for Choral Ensemble and Musical Theatre Conducting  
2015 Grammy Music Educator Award National Nominee, Quarterfinalist  
2015 Washington County Public Schools Teacher of the Year Nominee  
2010 Grammy Music Educator Award National Nominee  
2005 Assistant Director – Shenandoah Conservatory 13<sup>th</sup> Annual HS Choral Festival  
2001 Eagle Scout Rank, The Boy Scouts of America

## LICENSURE

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Maryland Department of Education	Music k-12 / English 7-12
Pennsylvania Department of Education	Music k-12 / English 7-12 / ESL

## PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

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American Choral Directors Association	Pennsylvania Music Educators Association
Conductors Guild	National Association for Music Educators
Educational Theatre Association	National Association of Teachers of Singing

## GUEST CONDUCTING

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Loudon County Public Schools, Ashburn, VA <i>Middle School All District Chorus Conductor</i>	2024
Baltimore County Public Schools, Baltimore, MD <i>High School All County Chorus Conductor</i>	2023
Washington County Public Schools, Hagerstown, MD <i>Middle School All County Chorus Conductor</i>	2021
Allegany County Public Schools, Cumberland, MD <i>High School All County Chorus Conductor</i>	2019
West Shore School District Honors Choral Festival, New Cumberland, PA <i>Middle School Conductor</i>	2018
Cumberland County Music Educators Association, Camp Hill, PA <i>High School All County Chorus, Guest Conductor</i>	2017
Maryland Symphony Orchestra, Home for the Holiday's Concert, Hagerstown, MD <i>Guest Conductor</i>	2016
Maryland Symphony Orchestra, Home for the Holiday's Concert, Hagerstown, MD <i>Guest Conductor</i>	2015
Maryland Symphony Orchestra, Home for the Holiday's Concert, Hagerstown, MD <i>Guest Conductor</i>	2014
Vermont American Choral Directors Association, Burlington, VT <i>Children's Honor Choir Conductor</i>	2014
Maryland Symphony Orchestra, Home for the Holiday's Concert, Hagerstown, MD <i>Guest Conductor</i>	2013
Allegany County Public Schools, Cumberland, MD <i>High School All County Chorus Conductor</i>	2013
Washington County Public Schools, Hagerstown, MD <i>Middle School All County Chorus Conductor</i>	2013

## THEATRICAL DIRECTION EXPERIENCE

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<i>The Wizard of Oz</i> Stage & Music Director Business Manager	Boiling Springs High School, Boiling Springs	2022
<i>Willy Wonka Jr.</i> Stage & Music Director Business Manager	Yellow Breeches Middle School, Boiling Springs	2021
<i>Frozen Kids</i> Stage & Music Director Business Manager	Yellow Breeches Middle School, Boiling Springs	2020
<i>Godspell</i> Music Director Business Manager	Boiling Springs High School, Boiling Springs	2020
<i>Shrek</i> Assistant Director	Red Land High School, Lewisberry, PA	2019
<i>Newsies</i> Music Director	Theatre Harrisburg, Harrisburg, PA	2018
<i>Once on This Island, Jr.</i> Director/Music Dir	Red Land High School, Lewisberry, PA	2018
<i>Peter Pan</i> Assistant Director	Red Land High School, Lewisberry, PA	2018
<i>Seussical - The Musical!</i> Music Director	Barbara Ingram School for the Arts, Hagerstown, MD	2017
<i>Disney's "The Little Mermaid"</i> Music Director	Barbara Ingram School for the Arts, Hagerstown, MD	2016
<i>Addams Family - the Musical</i> Music Director	Hagerstown Community College, Hagerstown, MD	2015
<i>Shrek the Musical</i> Music Director	Barbara Ingram School for the Arts, Hagerstown, MD	2015
<i>The Light in the Piazza</i> (in concert) Music/Stage Direction	Barbara Ingram School for the Arts, Hagerstown, MD	2015
<i>The Wizard of Oz</i> Music Director	Barbara Ingram School for the Arts, Hagerstown, MD	2014
<i>Legally Blonde: The Musical</i> Music Director	Barbara Ingram School for the Arts, Hagerstown, MD	2013

<i>Disney's Beauty and the Beast</i>		
Music Director	Barbara Ingram School for the Arts, Hagerstown, MD	2012
<i>Phantom of the Opera</i> (Andrew Lloyd Webber)		
Music Director	Barbara Ingram School for the Arts, Hagerstown, MD	2011
<i>Thoroughly Modern Millie</i>		
Music Director	Barbara Ingram School for the Arts, Hagerstown, MD	2010
<i>The Last Five Years</i>		
Music Director	York County Medical Foundation, Benefit Production	
	Pullo Family Performing Arts Center - Penn State York, York PA	2009
<i>Willy Wonka Jr.</i>		
Music Director	Good Hope Middle School, Mechanicsburg, PA	2009
<i>Willy Wonka Jr.</i>		
Director, Music Director, Choreographer, Business Manager, Producer		
	Crossroads Middle School, Lewisberry, PA	2008
<i>A Night at the Tony's - A Revue</i>		
Assistant Director, Performer	York Little Theatre; York, PA	2007
<i>The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe</i>		
Director	Perryville High School, MD	2007
<i>A Night of Broadway - A Musical Revue</i>		
Director, Music Director, Choreographer	Perryville High School, MD	2007
<i>Beauty and the Beast</i>	Perryville High School, MD	
Co-Director, Music Director, Producer, Business Manager		2006

## CLINICIAN ACTIVITY

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Choral Adjudicator - Baltimore County District Choral Festival, Maryland	2023
Choral Adjudicator - Montgomery County District Choral Festival, Maryland	2017
Sight Reading Choral Adjudicator - Baltimore City Choral Festival, Maryland	2017
Choral Adjudicator - Frederick County District Choral Festival, Maryland	2016
Choral Adjudicator - Allegeny County District Choral Festival, Maryland	2016
Sight Reading Choral Adjudicator - Baltimore City Choral Festival, Maryland	2015
Choral Adjudicator - Frederick County District Choral Festival, Maryland	2014
Sight Reading Choral Adjudicator - Baltimore City Choral Festival, Maryland	2014
Choral Adjudicator - Allegeny County District Choral Festival, Maryland	2013
Choral Adjudicator - Frederick County District Choral Festival, Maryland	2013
Choral Adjudicator - All-District, District 16 Choral Adjudicator, Virginia	2012
Choral Adjudicator - Frederick County District Choral Festival, Maryland	2012
Sight Reading Choral Adjudicator - Baltimore City Choral Festival, Maryland	2012
Choral Adjudicator - Allegeny County District Choral Festival, Maryland	2012
Musical Theatre Judge - Student Auditions - NATS: Lehigh Valley	2009



## CONFERENCE CHORAL PERFORMANCES

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<i>Cantala Women's Choir</i>	Maryland Music Educators Association, Baltimore, MD	2014
<i>Cantala Women's Choir</i>	ACDA Eastern Division Conf., Baltimore, MD	2014
<i>Cantala Women's Choir</i>	NJMEA Conference, East Brunswick, NJ	2012

## INVITED LECTURES

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<i>Unpacking the score: Embedding musicianship in the choral rehearsal</i>		2022
Towson University; Kathryn Evans, Associate Professor of Music Education		
<i>Equipping the versatile singer - teaching vocal registration</i>		2020
Towson University; Kathryn Evans, Associate Professor of Music Education		
<i>Unpacking the score: Embedding musicianship in the choral rehearsal</i>		2020
Towson University; Kathryn Evans, Associate Professor of Music Education		

## CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

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<i>Who is Teaching What? Music Literacy Skills Across the Nation</i> Poster Session		2022
<i>From Lyric Sheet to Notation - Teaching Music Literacy in Elementary School Chorus</i>		
National Association for Music Education National Conference, Washington D.C.		
<i>Unpacking the score: Embedding musicianship in the choral rehearsal</i>		2022
PMEA State Conference, Poconos, PA		
<i>Unpacking the score: Embedding musicianship in the choral rehearsal</i>		2021
PMEA District 7 Conference, Lancaster, PA		
<i>Unpacking the score: Embedding musicianship in the choral rehearsal</i>		2020
<i>Equipping the versatile singer - teaching vocal registration</i>		
<i>From Lyric Sheet to Notation - teaching music literacy in elementary school chorus</i>		
Maryland Music Educators Association Conference, Baltimore, MD		
<i>Equipping the versatile singer - teaching vocal registration</i>		2020
ACDA Eastern Conference; Rochester, NY		
<i>Choir Director as Voice Teacher: Vocal Pedagogy in the Choral Classroom</i>		2019
PMEA District 7 Conference, York, PA		
<i>Unpacking the score: Embedding musicianship in the choral rehearsal</i>		2019
<i>Choir Director as Voice Teacher: Vocal Pedagogy in the Choral Classroom</i>		
PMEA Summer Conference, Harrisburg, PA		
<i>Equipping the versatile singer - teaching vocal registration</i>		2019
Alabama Music Educators Association, Birmingham, AL		
<i>Unpacking the score: Embedding musicianship in the choral rehearsal</i>		2018
ACDA- PA Summer Conference, Pittsburgh, PA		

<i>Unpacking the score: Embedding musicianship in the choral rehearsal</i> Pennsylvania Music Educators Association Conference, Lancaster, PA	2018
<i>Unpacking the score: Embedding musicianship in the choral rehearsal</i> <i>Choral Director as Voice Teacher</i> Delaware Music Educators Arts Conference, Dover, DE	2017
<i>Choral Director as Voice Teacher</i> ACDA-PA Summer Conference, Elizabethtown, PA	2017
<i>Unpacking the score: Embedding musicianship in the choral rehearsal</i> New Jersey Music Educators Association Conference, East Brunswick, NJ West Virginia Music Educators Association Conference, Charleston, WV	2016
<i>Teaching Musical Literacy through Choral Repertoire</i> Georgia Music Educators Association, Savannah, GA Kentucky Music Educators Association, Louisville, KY	2015
<i>Teaching Music Literacy through Choral Repertoire with Demo Choir</i> Maryland Music Educators Association, Baltimore, MD	2014
<i>Teaching Musical Literacy through Choral Repertoire</i> ACDA-PA Summer Conference, Elizabethtown, PA	2013
<i>Cross Choral Pedagogy: Cross Training the Choral Voice - Round Table</i> ACDA National Convention: Dallas, TX	2013
<i>Cross Training the Choral Voice: Chest, Head, Mix...what?!</i> MENC: All Eastern Conference, Hartford, CT	2013
<i>Cross Choral Pedagogy: Cross Training the Choral Voice</i> ACDA Voices United Conference, Fairfax, VA	2012
<i>The Complete Choral Musician: Striving for Musical Literacy in Choir</i> <i>Cross Choral Pedagogy: Cross Training the Choral Voice</i> New Jersey Music Educators Association Conference, East Brunswick, NJ	2012
<i>Cross Choral Pedagogy: Cross Training the Choral Voice</i> Virginia Music Educators Association Conference, Norfolk, VA	2011
<i>Musicals 101: a Step-by-Step guide to producing a <u>successful</u> school musical</i> ACDA Voices United Conference, Fairfax, VA	2011
<i>The Complete Choral Musician: Striving for Musical Literacy in Choir</i> New Jersey Music Educators Association Conference, East Brunswick, NJ	2011
<i>The Complete Choral Musician: Striving for Musical Literacy in Choir</i> MENC: All Eastern Conference, Baltimore, Maryland	2011
<i>Best Practices: Choral Musicianship</i> Maryland Music Educators Association, Baltimore, Maryland	2010

<i>Belting 101: Developing the Safe and Solid Chest Voice</i>	2010
<i>The Complete Choral Musician: Striving for Musical Literacy in Choir</i>	
New Jersey Music Educators Association Conference, East Brunswick, NJ	
<i>Vocal Development in the Choral Rehearsal</i>	2009
<i>The Complete Choral Musician: Striving for Musical Literacy in Choir</i>	
Delaware Music Educators Association Conference, Middletown, DE	
<i>Vocal Pedagogy in the Choral Rehearsal</i>	2009
<i>Musicals 101: a Step-by-Step guide to producing a <u>successful</u> school musical</i>	
New Jersey Music Educators Association Conference, East Brunswick, NJ	
<i>Somatic Voicework™ and Me</i>	2008
<i>Musicals 101: a Step-by-Step guide to producing a <u>successful</u> school musical</i>	
New Jersey Music Educators Association Conference, East Brunswick, NJ	
<i>Musicals 101: a Step-by-Step guide to producing a <u>successful</u> school musical</i>	2007
Delaware Music Educators Association Conference, New Castle, DE	

## **RECORDINGS**

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Todd - DVD (recorded 2010)	released 2012
Barbara Ingram School for the Arts as Backup Choir	
Todd Rundgren: Healing DVD (recorded 2010)	released 2012
Barbara Ingram School for the Arts as Backup Choir	