

James Flora

Tenor

Education

Florida State University, Master of Music in Voice Performance 2001
Ohio State University, Bachelor of Music in Voice Performance 1998

Professional Appointments

Interim Instructor of Voice/Tenor Arizona State University Tempe, AZ 2019-2020
Maintaining a studio of 28 music majors and non-music majors with weekly lessons, studio classes, voice area recitals, and juries. Students competing in NATS. Representing ASU as a performer in operas throughout the U.S.

Lecturer II in Voice & Opera University of Nevada, Reno Reno, NV 2016-2019
A studio of 12 music degree seeking students with weekly lessons, masterclasses, voice area recitals, and juries. Local and regional recruiting. Teaching Diction I & II which covers IPA and English, Italian, German, and French diction for singers. Teaching Voice Techniques Class to introduce non-majors and non-voice music majors to basic vocal technique. Teaching Opera Scenes which includes stage direction, music direction, and vocal coaching with a goal of two performances of a 90 minute scenes program and preparing upperclassmen students' aria repertoire for auditions and competitions. Advising voice performance majors and music minors.

Lecturer in Voice/Tenor Central Michigan University Mt. Pleasant, MI 2015-2016
Maintaining a studio of 17-20 music majors and non-music majors with weekly lessons, studio classes, voice area recitals, and juries. Performing as the tenor in the Faculty Quartet. Recruiting for the Vocal/Choral Area Day. Teaching Voice Techniques I course to introduce non-voice music majors to basic vocal technique.

Adjunct Appointments

Adjunct Voice Faculty Otterbein University Westerville, OH 2013-2015
Maintaining a studio of 20 music degree seeking students with weekly lessons, masterclasses, and juries. Music Director of Opera Scenes course with students meeting twice weekly and performing once per semester.

Adjunct Voice Faculty Muskingum University New Concord, OH 2012-2015
Maintaining a studio of 12 undergraduate music degree seeking students with weekly lessons, masterclasses, and juries.

Adjunct Voice Faculty Point Park University Pittsburgh, PA 2011-2012
Maintaining a studio of 14 undergraduate music degree seeking students with weekly lessons, masterclasses, and juries.

Voice Teacher Private Studio Bexley, OH 2011-current
Maintaining a studio of 14 high school students who meet weekly with with 2-3 recitals per year.

Voice Teacher Private Studio Pittsburgh, PA 2009-2011
Maintaining a studio of 5 high school students who meet weekly.

Voice Teacher	Private Studio	Phoenix, AZ	2006-2009
Maintaining a studio of 25-30 high school students who meet weekly with 2-3 recitals per year and bimonthly masterclasses.			
Voice Teacher	Private Studio	Tucson, AZ	2002-2006
Maintaining a studio of 20 high school and adult students who meet weekly with 1 recital per year.			
Voice Faculty GTA	Florida State University	Tallahassee, FL	1998-2000
Maintaining a studio of 10 freshmen and sophomore music degree seeking students with weekly lessons, masterclasses, and juries.			

Opera Performance Experience

Florestan	<i>Fidelio</i>	Indianapolis Chamber Orchestra	2020
Cavaradossi	<i>Tosca</i>	Opera Company Middlebury	2019
Don José	<i>Carmen</i>	Amherst Symphony Orchestra	2019
Mitch	<i>A Streetcar Named Desire</i>	Opera Company Middlebury	2018
Alfredo	<i>La traviata</i>	Erie Chamber Orchestra	2017
Chorus	<i>Fidelio</i>	The Metropolitan Opera	2017
Second Jew	<i>Salome</i>	Pittsburgh Opera	2016
Don José	<i>Carmen</i>	Opera Theater Pittsburgh	2016
Pinkerton	<i>Madama Butterfly</i>	Erie Chamber Orchestra	2016
Sailor	<i>Dido and Aeneas</i>	Opera Company Middlebury	2015
Tamino	<i>Die Zauberflöte</i>	Erie Chamber Orchestra	2015
Der Narr/Der Alten Mann	<i>Guntram</i>	Washington Concert Opera	2015
Chorus	<i>Die Meistersinger von Nürnberg</i>	The Metropolitan Opera	2014
Alfredo	<i>La Traviata</i>	Opera Company Middlebury	2014
Laurie	<i>Little Women</i>	Opera on the James	2014
Louis Sullivan	<i>Shining Brow</i>	Pittsburgh Opera Theater	2013
Rodolfo	<i>La bohème</i>	Opera Columbus	2012
Nicias	<i>Thaïs</i>	Opera Company Middlebury	2012
Don José	<i>Carmen</i>	Pittsburgh Opera Theater	2012
Uldino	<i>Attila</i>	Washington Concert Opera	2011
Count Vaudemont	<i>Iolanta</i> (Tchaikovsky)	Russian Opera Workshop	2011
L' Aumonier	<i>Dialogues des Carmélites</i>	Pittsburgh Opera	2011
Pang	<i>Turandot</i>	Pittsburgh Opera	2011
Arturo	<i>Lucia di Lamermoor</i>	Pittsburgh Opera	2010
Edgardo*	<i>Lucia di Lamermoor</i>	Pittsburgh Opera	2010
Dancaïro	<i>Carmen</i>	Pittsburgh Opera	2010
Don José*	<i>Carmen</i>	Pittsburgh Opera	2010
Male Chorus*	<i>The Rape of Lucretia</i>	Pittsburgh Opera	2010
Fenton	<i>Falstaff</i>	Pittsburgh Opera	2009
Lensky*	<i>Eugene Onegin</i>	Pittsburgh Opera	2009
Gastone*	<i>La Traviata</i>	Glimmerglass Opera	2009
Spoletta	<i>Tosca</i>	Arizona Opera	2009
Don Ottavio*	<i>Don Giovanni</i>	Arizona Opera	2009
Nemorino*	<i>L'Elisir d'Amore</i>	Arizona Opera	2009
Nanki-Poo*	<i>The Mikado</i>	Arizona Opera	2008
Nemorino	<i>Mini Elixir of Love</i>	Arizona Opera	2008
Gastone	<i>La Traviata</i>	Arizona Opera	2008
Alfredo*	<i>La Traviata</i>	Arizona Opera	2008

First Armored Man	<i>The Magic Flute</i>	Arizona Opera	2008
First Priest	<i>The Magic Flute</i>	Arizona Opera	2008
Tamino*	<i>The Magic Flute</i>	Arizona Opera	2008
Alfred*	<i>Die Fledermaus</i> (in English)	Arizona Opera	2007
Tamino & Monastatos	<i>The Mini Magic Flute</i>	Arizona Opera	2007
Elder Gleaton	<i>Susannah</i>	Arizona Opera	2007
Malcolm	<i>Macbeth</i>	Arizona Opera	2006
Ferrando*	<i>Così fan tutte</i>	Opera New Jersey	2006
Pablo, Don Pepe, El Rey	<i>How Nanita Learned to Make Flan</i>	Muddy River Opera	2006

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Solo Concert Experience

Soloist	Robert & Clara Schumann Love Letters	Tahoe Chamber Music Society	2019
Soloist	<i>Canciones de mi Isla</i>	Leo Brouwer Cuban Tour	2019
Soloist	<i>10th Anniversary Gala</i>	Opera Company Middlebury	2018
Soloist	Bernstein Concert	Reno Philharmonic	2018
Soloist	Spring 2018 Family Concert	Reno Philharmonic	2018
Soloist	Beethoven Symphony No. 9	University of Redlands	2018
Soloist	<i>Rorem: Evidence of Things Not Seen</i>	Resonance Works	2016
Soloist	A New York New Year's Eve	North State Symphony	2016
Soloist	<i>Messiah</i>	Bluffton College	2015
Soloist	Beethoven's 9th Symphony	Alexandria Symphony	2015
Soloist	<i>Lord Nelson Mass</i>	Summit Choral Society	2015
Soloist	10th Anniversary Gala	Opera on the James	2015
Soloist	<i>Messiah</i>	SE Ohio Symphony Orchestra	2014
Soloist	<i>Messiah</i>	Mississippi Chorus	2013
Soloist	Bach Cantatas BMV 61 & 147	St. Vincent Camerata	2013
Soloist	<i>Lord Nelson Mass</i>	St. Vincent Camerata	2012
Soloist	Mozart Solemn Vespers	St. Vincent Camerata	2011
Soloist	Italian Opera Concert	Buffalo Philharmonic	2011
Romeo	Duet from Tchaikovsky's <i>Romeo and Juliet</i>	Pittsburgh Symphony	2011
Soloist	New Year's Eve Gala	Pittsburgh Opera	2011
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Gems (Gala) Concert	<i>Rigoletto and La Traviata</i>	Arizona Opera	2008
A Night at the Opera	Don Jose, Alfredo, Macduff, Eisenstein	Flagstaff Symphony	2007
Soloist	<i>Puccini, Verdi & Friends</i>	NJ Opera Theater	2006
Soloist	<i>Mozart, Rossini, & Friends</i>	NJ Opera Theater	2006
Soloist	<i>Broadway Under the Stars</i>	NJ Opera Theater	2006

Choral & Recital Experience

Tenor Section Leader	Peace Lutheran Church, Gahanna OH	2012-2013
Soloist	Art Song Recital: Granville First Presbyterian Church <i>Dichterliebe, Rachmaninoff Songs & Spirituals</i>	2011
Soloist	Resident Artist Recital: Pittsburgh Opera <i>Dichterliebe, Italian Songs & Poema en Forma de Canciones</i>	2011
Soloist	Resident Artist Song Recital: Pittsburgh Opera	2010
Tenor	Arizona Opera Chorus	2003-2009

Tenor Section Leader	First Presbyterian Church Choir, Sun City West, AZ	2006-2007
Tenor	Opera New Jersey Chorus	2006
Tenor Section Leader	Casas Adobes Congregational-UCC, Tucson, AZ	2003-2006
Tenor Soloist	Florida State University Chamber Choir	2000
	MENC National Convention, U.S. Premiere, <i>Naiman Sharag</i> (<i>The Eight Chestnut Horses</i>)	
Tenor Section Leader	St. John's Episcopal Church, Tallahassee, FL	1998-2002
Tenor Soloist	Ohio State University Men's Glee Club	1997-1998
	Recorded for the OSUMGC Album: <i>125th Anniversary Celebration 1875-2000</i>	
Tenor Section Leader	Trinity Episcopal Church, Columbus, OH	1996-1998
Tenor Soloist	Temple Beth-Israel, Columbus, OH	1996-1997

Artist Training Programs

Tenor Resident Artist	Pittsburgh Opera	2009-2011
Young American Artist	Glimmerglass Opera	2009
Studio Artist Tenor	Marion Roose Pullin Arizona Opera Studio	2007-2009
Studio Artist Tenor	New Jersey Opera Theater	2006

Awards, Honors, & Scholarships

Finalist, Richard Tucker Competition		2010
Florida State University Music Achievement Voice Teaching Assistant		1998-2000
Ohio State University Full-Tuition Voice Scholarship		1994-1998
NATS 1 st Place, Senior Men's Division Great Lakes Region		1997
NATS Honorable Mention, Junior Men's Division Great Lakes Region		1996

Invited Masterclasses & Presentations

4 Masterclasses	Institute for Young Dramatic Voices	2020
Training Young Male Voices	Hawaii Music Educators Association	2020
Masterclass for Tenors	Institute for Young Dramatic Voices	2019
Alexander Technique/ Body Mapping for singers	Hawaii Music Educators Association	2018
Masterclass	Las Vegas Academy of Performing Arts	2017

Professional Memberships

American Guild of Musical Artists		2009-current
Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia		1995-current
National Association of Teachers of Singing		2017-current

Student Success

Jared Howelton

Swing/understudy every male role in *Hamilton* Chicago cast
Dennis of the Temptations in *Motown the Musical* National Tour
Donkey in *Shrek the Musical* National Tour
Bobby Strong in *Urinetown* off-Broadway

Blake Talbott

Member of the Institute for Young Dramatic Voices 2018 to present
NATS Cal-Western Region Graduate Upper Division Men 1st Place Winner 2017
Don José in *Carmen* University of Nevada, Reno 2017
Master's Graduate from University of Nevada, Reno 2018
Teaching Assistant at University of Nevada, Reno 2016-2018

Stacy Russell

NATS Cal-Western Region Graduate Upper Division Women 2nd Place Winner 2017
Carmen in *Carmen* University of Nevada, Reno 2017
Master's Graduate from University of Nevada, Reno 2018
Teaching Assistant at University of Nevada, Reno 2016-2018

Jonathan Knauer

Rinuccio in *Gianni Schicchi* University of Nevada, Reno 2019
Master's Graduate from University of Nevada, Reno 2020
Teaching Assistant at University of Nevada, Reno 2018-2020

Andrew Patchin

NATS Cal-Western Region Undergraduate Upper Division Men 2nd Place Winner 2019
Carl Olsen in *Street Scene* Arizona State Lyric Opera Theater 2020
Gianni Schicchi in *Gianni Schicchi* University of Nevada, Reno 2019
Papageno in *Die Zauberflöte* University of Nevada, Reno 2018

Thomas Chubb

NATS Cal-Western Region Undergraduate Upper Musical Theater Men Finalist 2019
Georg in *Spring Awakening* University of Nevada, Reno 2020
Lockstock in *Urinetown* University of Nevada, Reno 2019

Chris Andrade

NATS Cal-Western Region Undergraduate Lower Musical Theater Men 2nd Place 2019
Moritz in *Spring Awakening* University of Nevada, Reno 2020

Sam Crabtree

NATS Cal-Western Region Undergraduate Upper Musical Theater Men 2nd Place 2019
Adult Man in *Spring Awakening* University of Nevada, Reno 2020

Megan Urbano

Speech Pathologist Master's Fellowship at Massachusetts General Hospital Institute of Health 2019-2021
NATS Cal-Western Region Adult Women Division 1st Place Winner 2019

Courtney Dahl

Production Cast Singer/Dancer at Celebrity Cruises Entertainment
Production Cast Singer/Dancer at Norwegian Cruise Line
Singer/Dancer at Six Flags

Jenna Miller

Tracy Turnblad in *Hairspray* Roxy Regional Theatre
Rocking Horse in *The Velveteen Rabbit* Jenny Wiley Theatre Tour
Sour Kangaroo and Dance Captain in *Seussical* Millbrook Playhouse
Watress #1, Justice u/s, and Dance Captain in *Rock of Ages* Millbrook Playhouse

Anthony Murphy

Choreographer *Aida the Musical* White Plains Performing Arts Center
Genie in *Aladdin the Musical* US Tour

J.T. Wood

Angel Schunard in *Rent* 20th Anniversary National Tour

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Reviews

Cavaradossi in *Tosca*, Opera Company Middlebury

“a heroic performance... Flora’s brilliant Itlalianate tenor proved ideal for the earnest Cavaradossi.”

-The Barre Montpelier Times Argus

Mitch in *A Streetcar Named Desire*, Opera Company of Middlebury

“Mitch, who’s thinking of marrying Blanche, was sung by James Flora; his gleaming tenor voice shone like a beacon in the surrounding dark and he delivered his sweet aria with refreshing honesty.”

-Addison County Independent

Der Narr in *Guntram*, Washington Concert Opera

“a stand-out performance from the youthful, bright-toned tenor of James Flora”

- IonArts

Der Narr in *Guntram*, Washington Concert Opera

“Tenor **James Flora** brought a resonant, impeccably-trained voice and fearlessness to his singing as ein Alter Mann and der Herzogs Narr, first touchingly ruing the condition of his homeland and then soaring above the staff ”

- Voix des Artes

Alfredo in *La Traviata*, Opera Company of Middlebury

"Tenor James Flora, as Alfredo, had a beautiful lyrical delivery...he was convincing and sang beautifully and dramatically."

-Vermont Today

Arturo in *Lucia di Lammermoor*, Pittsburgh Opera

"In the last act, wedding celebrations are interrupted by news that Lucia has murdered Arturo, who was impressively sung by the young tenor James Flora."

-Pittsburgh Tribune-Review

Fenton in *Falstaff*, Pittsburgh Opera

"Fenton was well cast in the person of James Flora, who held his lyrical tenor voice back to keep in character of the young lover."

-Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

"James Flora was delightful as Fenton, a fine romantic partner for Nannetta."

-Pittsburgh Tribune-Review

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Private Study

Voice

Robin Rice, DMA	Private	2011-current
Barbara Honn	Private	2009-2011
Julian Reed	Private	2007-2009
Donald Brinegar	Private	2006
Gail Dubinbaum	Private	2004-2006
Janice Harsanyi	Florida State University	1998-2002
Eric Tucker, DMA	Ohio State University	1996-98
Patrick Woliver, DMA	Ohio State University	1994-96

Coaches

Armen Guzelimian Los Angeles Opera San Francisco Opera Pittsburgh Opera	Private	2010-current
Mark Trawka Pittsburgh Opera Portland Opera Glimmerglass Opera	Pittsburgh Opera	2009-current
Ed Bak The Ohio State University Opera Columbus Tanglewood Music Center	Private	2011-current
James Lesniak Pittsburgh Opera Santa Fe Opera Indiana University	Pittsburgh Opera	2009-current

Glenn Lewis Pittsburgh Opera Santa Fe Opera Deutsche Oper am Rhein	Pittsburgh Opera	2009-2011
Ghenady Meirson Academy of Vocal Arts Curtis Institute of Music	Russian Opera Workshop	2011-current
Danielle Orlando Academy of Vocal Arts Curtis Institute of Music Metropolitan Opera	Opera New Jersey & Arizona Opera	2006-2008
Julian Reed Arizona Opera Dallas Opera Austin Lyric Opera	Arizona Opera	2007-2009
Andrew Campbell Arizona State University Washington National Opera San Diego Opera	Private	2006-2009
Robert Mills Arizona State University Aims in Graz	Private	2006-2009

Conductors

James Levine	The Metropolitan Opera	2014
Donald Palumbo	The Metropolitan Opera	2014-current
Antony Walker Pittsburgh Opera The Metropolitan Opera Washington Concert Opera Covent Garden English National Opera	Pittsburgh Opera & Washington Concert Opera	2007-2016
Michael Sakir Opera Memphis Opera Company Middlebury Brevard Music Center	Opera Company of Middlebury	2018
Emmanuel Plasson Hawaii Opera Theater Opera Company of Middlebury New York City Opera Montreal Opera Opera Australia Royal Swedish Opera	Opera Company of Middlebury	2012-2014

Gianandrea Noseda Pittsburgh Symphony Teatro Regio di Torino BBC Philharmonic	Pittsburgh Symphony	2011
Matthew Kraemer Erie Chamber Orchestra Butler County Symphony Buffalo Philharmonic Orchestra Virginia Symphony Orchestra Indianapolis Chamber Orchestra	Buffalo Philharmonic, Erie Chamber Orchestra, & Indianapolis Chamber Orchestra	2011-2020
Martin Majkut Rogue Valley Symphony Slovak National Radio Symphony Orchestra	Arizona Opera	2008-2009
Joel Revzen Arizona Opera The Metropolitan Opera	Arizona Opera	2005-2009
Brent McMunn USC Thornton School of Music	Opera New Jersey	2006
Cal Stewart Kellog Arizona Opera Washington National Opera	Arizona Opera	2003-2005

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