# Robert Buonaspina

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Education

General Education Resume

Composer/Arranger | Multi-Instrumentalist | Educator

### **Objective**

I am a multi-faceted, NYC-based musician who brings a diverse skill set to any and all musical endeavors. My credentials include highlevel keyboard, string, composition, arranging, music theory, and vocal skills, as well as extensive experience in music technology, notably in the context of distance learning.

#### Education

Manhattan School of Music New York, NY May 2020 Master of Music (M.M.) in Jazz Composition **GPA: 4.0** 

Hofstra University Hempstead, NY May 2018 **GPA: 3.9** 

Bachelor of Science (B.S.) in Music Education, New York State Initial Certification (K–12)

## Selected Experience

Hofstra University Hempstead, NY

September 2021 – Present

Adjunct Professor of Jazz Arranging & Composition, University class with designed, sequential curriculum in elementary jazz arranging & contemporary scoring techniques; rubrics of individualized instruction pertinent to the needs and growth of the student

#### St. Pancras Roman Catholic Church Glendale, Queens, NY

February 2020 - Present

Director of Music, Organist, Organization and preparation of music for all liturgies/concerts; coordination of cantors and adult English/Polish/childrens' choirs; managing roles in website/social media

#### Notre Dame Roman Catholic Church New Hyde Park, NY

October 2018 - February 2020

Organist, Assistant Music Director, Organ/piano for weekend services; assistance in choir rehearsals and concert planning

#### Birch Lane Elementary School Massapequa, NY

Spring 2018

Substitute Music Teacher, Realization of lesson plans for music curriculum; classroom management

#### New York State Summer School of the Arts (NYSSSA) School of Orchestral Studies Saratoga Springs, NY

Summer 2017

Viola Counselor, Residential life responsibilities for gifted high-schoolers, event coordination; chamber ensemble/sectional coaching; assistant to Philadelphia Orchestra musicians/staff (Grades 9–12)

#### Usdan Summer Camp for the Arts Wheatley Heights, NY

Summers 2015 and 2016

Violin/Viola Orchestral Work-Study, Assistance of students in the orchestra program through scaffold-based instruction, sectionals, and music organization (Grades 1–12)

## Selected Educational Honors/Professional Affiliations

| Herbert A. Deutsch Outstanding Senior Music Education Award, Hofstra University Department of Music       | Spring 2018 |
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| C.E. Toddings Academic Excellence & Unusual Instrumentalist Award, Hofstra University Department of Music | Spring 2018 |
| William H. Lawrence Honors Recital (classical piano), Hofstra University Department of Music              | Spring 2017 |
| Sabina Rapp Certificate of Achievement for Outstanding Freshman, Hofstra University Department of Music   | Spring 2015 |

#### Pi Kappa Lamba, Gamma Chi Chapter

Spring 2018 – Present

Member (Hofstra University Department of Music)

Fall 2016 – Present

Jazz Education Network (JEN) National Member

National Association for Music Education (NAfME)

Fall 2014 – Present

National Member, Collegiate member

#### American Choral Directors Association (ACDA)

Fall 2014 – Present

National Member, Collegiate executive board member Fall 2014 – Fall 2015

#### American String Teachers Association (ASTA)

Fall 2014 – Present

National Member, Hofstra collegiate chapter president Fall 2015 - Fall 2017; organized several pre-professional guest lecturers, events on campus; represented Hofstra at three national conferences