

BENJAMIN STAYNER

Music Director | Conductor | Vocal Coach | Composer

staynb@gmail.com**MUSIC DIRECTOR/CONDUCTOR**

<i>What A Wonderful World</i> (world premiere)	Timber Lake Playhouse	Dir. Paul Stancato
<i>Forever Plaid</i>	NCCA at Jean's Playhouse	Dir. Clayton Phillips
<i>Evita</i>	NCCA at Jean's Playhouse	Dir. Rebecca Frazier
<i>Clue the Musical</i>	NCCA at Jean's Playhouse	Dir. Joel Mercier
<i>The Sound of Music</i>	NCCA at Jean's Playhouse	Dir. Joel Mercier
<i>She Loves Me</i>	Ithaca College Theatre	Dir. Benjamin Stayner
<i>2020 Ithaca College Cabaret</i>	Feinstein's/54 Below	
<i>Songs for a New World</i>	Ithaca College Theatre	Dir. Benjamin Stayner
<i>25th Annual... Spelling Bee</i>	Mandell JCC of West Hartford	Dir. Chris Mansfield
<i>High School Musical</i>	East Hampton High School	Dir. Rachel Mansfield
<i>The Addams Family</i>	Mandell JCC of West Hartford	Dir. Chris Mansfield
<i>Abbey Road: Live in Concert</i>	The Hartt School	
<i>Fiddler on the Roof</i>	Theatre in the Mist	MD Marnie Williams Aldrow

ASSISTANT MUSIC DIRECTOR

<i>Moments: An Evening of Work by Douglas Lyons</i>	Ithaca College Theatre	Dir. Zhailon Livingston
<i>Pippin</i>	Ithaca College Theatre	MD Jeff Theiss
<i>In The Light (29-Hour Reading)</i>	Ithaca College Theatre	MD Jeff Theiss

PIANO/KEYS

<i>Holiday Spirits with the Hangar</i>	Hangar Theatre	Prod. Shirley Serotsky
<i>Sister Act</i>	Ithaca College Theatre	MD Christopher Zemliauskas
<i>How to Succeed...</i>	Simsbury Summer Theatre	
<i>Writing in Pencil</i> (world premiere)	The Hartt School	

COMPOSER

<i>She Kills Monsters: Virtual Realms</i>	Ithaca College Theatre	Dir. Cynthia Henderson
<i>Shifting Spaces: A Dance Concert</i>	Ithaca College Theatre	Choreo Aimee Rials
<i>She Kills Monsters: Virtual Realms</i>	All in Theatrics	Dir. Lawson Lewallen
<i>Fleeting Moments: A Hartt Senior Dance Production</i>	The Hartt School Dance Div.	Choreo Khris King Henry
<i>The Rimers of Eldritch (P)</i>	The Hartt School Theatre Div.	Dir. Eric Ort

EDUCATION**Ithaca College***Master of Music: Conducting (Musical Theatre/Opera)***The Hartt School - University of Hartford***Bachelor of Music: Music Theory (minor in composition)***WORK EXPERIENCE**David Shannon's *Ireland's Greatest Showman* Tour
*Music Director/Pianist/Vocalist*Midwest
Fall 2021

Ithaca College

*MT Vocal Coach/Accompanist for Fund. Acting the Song & MT Workshop courses*Ithaca, NY
2019-21

Ithaca College Virtual Summer Theatre Intensive

*Music Director/Teacher/Guest Lecturer*Ithaca, NY
July 2020

Universal Artists Festival
Opera Vocal Coach/Asst. Conductor for two premiere operas & Don Giovanni

Boston, MA
August 2019

University of Hartford, The Hartt School Theatre Division
Masterclass/audition/jury accompanist

West Hartford, CT
September 2018-May 2019

Hartford Stage
Music Copyist Intern for premiere production of Anastasia

Hartford, CT
May 2016

AWARDS

2014 Theatre Alliance of New York State: Outstanding Orchestra Direction
Fiddler on the Roof – Theatre in the Mist

RELATED EXPERIENCE

- ❖ Conductor at the Monteux School and Music Festival - summers of '18 and '19
- ❖ Cellist for over 15 years; orchestra, chamber, and pit experience
- ❖ Composer of several works for instrumental and vocal ensembles
- ❖ Active working organist for over seven years

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- ❖ Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia Fraternity
- ❖ American Guild of Organists

SKILLS

Orchestration, Arranging, Copying, Advanced Sight-Reading, Transcription, Transposition
Logic Pro X, Mainstage, Finale
Keyboards, Cello, Bass, Melodica, Mandolin, Baton and Keyboard Conducting

REFERENCES

Available upon request.