Jonas Edwin Sills **-** Choral Vocal Music Teacher

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OBJECTIVE    To encourage self worth and esteem in others through the experience of music. Secure a position teaching Musical Theater in a Summer Music Camp.

EDUCATION

1990 – 1995  Bachelor of Music -  Choral Vocal Music-  California State University Long Beach

                        Studied under Dr. Lynn Bielefelt, and Dr. Leeland Vail

    Further enrichment in the arts - Long Beach City College, Peninsula College,

    Private Sessions in vocal pedagogy, conducting, and Level 1 Kodaly Certification

2001               Permanent teaching credential in K-12 Music

2004               Continuing Studies in the Master of Music Program at CSULA

EMPLOYMENT MUSICAL THEATER

In addition to my performing experience I have served as musical director and Executive Producer for Art-In-Relation Performing Arts Company for the last two years producing four full productions in our inaugural season.

Frankenstein the Musical, The Christmas Carol, Fresh A.I.R. and Forever Plaid.

I also have conducted, managed, and artistic directed the Los Angeles Musical Theater Youth Chorus in Los Angeles for the past four years exposing over one hundred youth to musical theater in a choral setting.

EMPLOYMENT – Teaching

2001 – Present **Long Beach Unified School District, Elementary Music**

                        Avalon, Birney, Bryant, Burbank, Burnett, Emerson, Keller, Kettering, LaFayette, Lee, Lincoln, Gant, Harte, Whittier, Willard.

2010 – Present **Long Beach Unified School District Middle School Choral Music**

Hamilton Middle School, Nelson Academy

2000    **High School/Junior High Choral Teacher, El Segundo Unified**

                                    I served as a long term replacement for Gary Fritzen as teacher of Choral Music at both the

                                        high school and junior high levels.   Responsibilities included teaching choir, guitar, fund

                                        raising, coordinating booster activities, and coordinating tour for advanced group.

1995 – Present      **Private Vocal Coach**

                                        I have served as a private vocal coach to students of all ages, child through adult in a

                                        studio setting.

1980 – Present      **Professional singer/performer**

                                     For over 20 years I have been a professional performer entertaining people of all ages

                                        while expanding my knowledge of techniques, repertoire, and styles in the

                                                        choral, operatic, musical, and theatrical venues.

EMPLOYMENT – Choral

2010 – 2012 **Aldersgate United Methodist Church**

Choir Director

2003 – 2006      **Orange Coast Unitarian Universalist Church**

                                         Choir director

1998 – Present     **Stephen Weiss Temple**

                                   High Holy Days Professional Singer and leader

2000 – Present       **Covenant Presbyterian Church, Long Beach**

                                                           Baritone section leader – Peter Bates, Organist

1998         – 2000           **Bayshore Congregational Church, Long Beach**

             Baritone section leader – Al Hess, Organist

1996         – 1998          **St. Peter’s Episcopal Church, San Pedro**

             Tenor Section leader – Sean O’ Neal, Organist

1997 – Present (Varied)**Burbank Chorale /  Pacific Chorale / Torrance Choral / Opera Pacific Chorus / Long Beach Camerata / Jubilee Singers**

             Tenor Staff Singer

LICENSES & CERTIFICATIONS

Passed CBEST Feb. 1996

      Single Subject Credential in Music- current

      Kodaly Level 1

 REFERENCES

Javier Delgado – Collegue and Professional singer/conductor – 310-292-2329

Ray Buffer – Co-Producer – Art In Relation – 714-396-6110

     Marie Madera Gleerup – 562-743-3262

Gary Fritzen - Music Teacher - El Segundo High School - 310-322-8190

     Judith Bohlen - Music Teacher, Elementary - Long Beach Unified - 714-827-3913

Richard Kinsey – Performer, Teacher and Browadway Star = 562394-3437

Peter Bates – Director of Music, Covenant Presbyterian Church – 562-

426-3288