

ROBIN J. FREEMAN

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EDUCATION:

- In process **Doctor of Education in College Teaching of Music**
Teachers College, Columbia University, New York, New York
- 2011 **Master of Music, Choral Conducting**
Outside Concentration: Vocal Performance
Jacobs School of Music, Indiana University, Bloomington, Indiana
- 2006 **Bachelor of Music, Vocal Performance**
Honors: A.J. Gordon Scholar, Harold Myra Scholarship Recipient, *summa cum laude*
Gordon College, Wenham, Massachusetts

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS:

- 2016-present **Director of Music**
St. Vladimir's Orthodox Theological Seminary, Yonkers, New York
- Courses taught:
- Introduction to Music
 - Fundamentals of Vocal Production and Church Reading
 - Advanced Chanting for Clergy and Laity
 - Basic Choral Conducting
 - Advanced Choral Conducting
 - Introduction to the Liturgical Music and Practice of the Orthodox Church
 - Intermediate Liturgical Music and Practice of the Orthodox Church in America
- Ensembles directed:
- Three Hierarchs Chapel Children's Choir
 - Three Hierarchs Chapel Men's Choir
 - Three Hierarchs Chapel Mixed Choir
 - St. Vladimir's Seminary Women's Sextet
 - St. Vladimir's Seminary Men's Octet
- 2012-2016 **Lecturer in Liturgical Music**
St. Vladimir's Orthodox Theological Seminary, Yonkers, New York
- Courses taught:
- Basic Choral Conducting
 - Advanced Choral Conducting
 - Conducting for the Parish

TEACHING AND CONDUCTING EXPERIENCE:

- 2017-present **Founder and Director**
St. Vladimir's Seminary Women's Sextet, Yonkers, New York
- 2012-present **Presenter and Guest Conductor**
Sacred Music Institute, Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese of North America
- Courses taught:
- Vocal Techniques
 - Choral Rehearsal Techniques I
 - Choral Rehearsal Techniques II
- 2011-present **Founder and Director**
St. Vladimir's Seminary Chorale, Yonkers, New York
- 2012-2013 **Director of Music**
Holy Trinity Russian Orthodox Church, Yonkers, New York
- 2013 **Guest Speaker**
"Choral Music in the Orthodox Church," St. Juliana Society,
St. Vladimir's Orthodox Theological Seminary, Yonkers, New York
- 2011-2015 **Opera Chorus Master and Assistant Conductor**
The Princeton Festival, Princeton, New Jersey
- 2011-2012 **Guest Conductor and Clinician**
Holy Trinity Orthodox Church, East Meadow, New York
- 2011 **Invited Speaker**
"The Ministry of Music," *Women Disciples of the Lord Conference*,
St. Vladimir's Orthodox Theological Seminary, Yonkers, New York
- 2010-2011 **Director**
Indiana University Children's Choir Youth Chorale, Bloomington, Indiana
- 2010-2011 **Co-Artistic Director and Conductor**
American Guild of Organists' ChoralFest, Indiana University Chapter,
Bloomington, Indiana
- 2010-2011 **Guest Conductor**
All Saints Antiochian Orthodox Church, Bloomington, Indiana
- 2010 **Chorus Master**
Bloomington POPS Orchestra, Bloomington, Indiana

- 2009-2011 **Associate Instructor**
Choral Department, Jacobs School of Music, Indiana University,
Bloomington, Indiana
- 2009-2011 **Conductor**
Symphonic Choir, Jacobs School of Music, Indiana University, Bloomington, Indiana
- 2007-2009 **Assistant Conductor**
Three Hierarchs Chapel, St. Vladimir's Orthodox Theological Seminary,
Yonkers, New York

SELECT CONDUCTING PERFORMANCES:

- February 2018 *Orthodox Masterpieces: The Music of Sergei Glagolev*
Concert Conductor, St. Vladimir's Seminary Chorale
St. Vladimir's Orthodox Theological Seminary, Yonkers, New York
- December 2017 *Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs*
Concert Conductor, St. Vladimir's Seminary Chorale
St. Vladimir's Orthodox Theological Seminary, Yonkers, New York
- October 2017 *Music on the Mount*
Concert Conductor, St. Vladimir's Seminary Chorale
Holy Trinity Orthodox Church, Danbury, Connecticut
- June 2015 *Le nozze di Figaro* (W.A. Mozart)
Opera Chorus Master
The Princeton Festival, Princeton, New Jersey
- May 2014 *Heaven and Earth: Sacred Music from the Byzantine Greek and Slavic Eastern
Orthodox Traditions*
Concert Conductor, St. Vladimir's Seminary Chorale
Columbia University's Institute of Religion, Culture, and Public Life,
New York, New York
- May 2013 *Lex orandi, lex credendi: as we pray, so we believe*
Concert Conductor, St. Vladimir's Seminary Chorale
Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church, New Rochelle, New York
- June 2012 *Francesca da Rimini* (S. Rachmaninoff)
Opera Chorus Master and Assistant Conductor
The Princeton Festival, Princeton, New Jersey
- May 2012 *ORIENT: Sacred Song and Image*
Concert Conductor, St. Vladimir's Seminary Chorale
St. Malachy's – The Actor's Chapel, New York, New York

- February 2012 *Paraklesis to the Mother of God* (R. Sirico)
Masterclass Clinician and Conductor, St. Vladimir's Seminary Chorale
St. Vladimir's Orthodox Theological Seminary, Yonkers, New York
- December 2010 *Te Deum* (M.A. Charpentier)
Concert Conductor, Symphonic Choir
Indiana University, Bloomington, Indiana
- October 2010 *ORIENT*
Concert Conductor, Symphonic Choir
Indiana University, Bloomington, Indiana
- March 2010 *Vesperae Solennes de Confessore* (Mozart)
Concert Conductor, Symphonic Choir
Indiana University, Bloomington, Indiana

SELECT RECORDINGS AND ARTICLES:

- forthcoming “The Way Forward: The Expression of Eastern Orthodox Music in 21st Century America” (Jacob's Well)
- 2018 *Every Day Will I Bless Thee* (SVS Press)
- 2014 *Full of Grace: Great Vespers for the Dormition of the Theotokos* (SVS Press)
- 2013 *St. Vladimir's Live: The Chorale and Octet in Concert* (SVS Press)
- 2012 *ORIENT: Sacred Song and Image* EP (SVS Press)

AWARDS:

- 2018 **St. Macrina Award for Excellence in Teaching**
St. Vladimir's Orthodox Theological Seminary, Yonkers, New York
- 2018 **Florence K. Geffen Scholarship**
Teachers College, Columbia University, New York, New York

OTHER PROFESSIONAL AND EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCE:

- 2005-present **Private Voice and Piano Instructor**
- 2015-2016 **Director for Annual Giving and Communications**
St. Vladimir's Orthodox Theological Seminary, Yonkers, New York
- 2013-2015 **Director for Annual Giving**
St. Vladimir's Orthodox Theological Seminary, Yonkers, New York

- 2011-2015 **Assistant to the Artistic and General Director**
The Princeton Festival, Princeton, New Jersey
- 2011-2013 **Annual Gifts Officer**
St. Vladimir's Orthodox Theological Seminary, Yonkers, New York
- 2009-2011 **Independent Fundraising Consultant**
- 2008-2009 **Data Advancement Officer**
St. Vladimir's Orthodox Theological Seminary, Yonkers, New York
- 2006-2007 **Admissions Counselor**
Manhattan School of Music, New York

LANGUAGES:

Spanish: diction, reading, and basic speaking competence

French, German, Greek, Italian, Latin (multiple regional styles), and Russian: diction competence