

Artist Statement

I have been singing since I could talk, but also grew up in children's choir. I have, from a young age, recognized the importance and power of the arts. My musical upbringing created a strong sense of community, brought joy, taught me to read music, and enabled me to grow in empathy. Sharing diverse stories through song, or other art forms, is a necessity.

My love of singing, and my mother's passion for classic American musicals and ballet, led me to the theatre. My mother and grandmother would take me out to see plays or watch classic musicals such as "Sound of Music," "West Side Story," and "Annie" on T.V.. They frequently sang and listened to the soundtracks. My grandfather was also a fan of the theatre, and embraced shows like "Man of La Mancha."

In her youth, my grandmother would sing on the radio in her hometown of Las Cruces, New Mexico. I am in addition, proudly and joyfully following in her footsteps.

Through my art, I strive to bring others the same sense of joy, peace, empowerment, and understanding that singing and theater have brought me. The arts have helped me through life in some of the most powerful ways. I will keep making art and telling these stories, so as to help others in their lives too and make the world better.

Everyone should feel welcome in the theatre, and I try to foster such an environment. I create thought-provoking work that prioritizes God and family, and also encourages tolerance, love, understanding, empathy, curiosity, individualism, freedom, and liberty.