

FALL *Virtual* VOCAL CONFERENCE

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2020 - SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2020
CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

Thursday, October 22, 2020

7:00-7:25 pm	OPENING ANNOUNCEMENTS & PRESIDENT'S WELCOME Amy Prats Louisiana ACDA President
7:30-8:30 pm	KEYNOTE ADDRESS & VIRTUAL HONOR CHOIR PREMIERE Dr. Andrea Ramsey Composer

Friday, October 23, 2020

8:15-8:45 am	Live Q & A with Andrea Ramsey Cathy McManus Walker High School Walker, LA Amy Wakefield Benton High School Benton, LA
9:00-10:00 am	Teaching with Heart: Justice or Just Us? Dr. Jason Max Ferdinand Oakwood University Huntsville, AL Ryan Marsh Lafayette High School Lexington, KY
10:15-10:45 am	Live Q & A with Andrea Ramsey Anthony Sears Isidore Newman School New Orleans, LA
1:00-2:00 pm	Kodály & Choral Music Panel Discussion Dr. Susan Brumfield West Texas Children's Chorus, Lubbock, TX Sandy Knudson Norman Children's Chorus, Norman, OK Dr. Fernando Malvar-Ruiz Los Angeles Children's Chorus

Jarrold Richey

Louisiana ACDA Web/Marketing Chair

2:00-4:00 pm

College Music Fair

Loyola University
Southeastern Louisiana University
Louisiana State University

New Orleans, LA
Hammond, LA
Baton Rouge, LA

2:00-4:00 pm

Teacher Resource Vendor Time

7:00-7:55 pm

Diversity Panel Discussion

Dr. Anton Armstrong

Dr. Jason Max Ferdinand

Tesfa Wondemagegnehu

Dr. André Thomas

St. Olaf College
Northfield, MN
Oakwood University
Huntsville, AL
St. Olaf College
Northfield, MN
Yale Institute of Sacred Music &
Yale School of Music
New Haven, CT

8:00-8:50 pm

Virtual Sip & Sing

Caleb Porter - Elementary Selections

Amy Prats - SATB Selections

Southeastern Louisiana University
Hammond, LA
Louisiana ACDA President

Saturday, October 24, 2020

9:00-9:55 am

**Exploring Unique Collaborations: Singing Actors in
the World of Choral Storytelling**

Dr. Trey Davis

Rachel Harris

Louisiana State University
Baton Rouge, LA
Southeastern Louisiana University
Hammond, LA

9:00-9:55 am

Children & Youth Choirs: A Conversation with Experts

Bob Chilcott
Cheryl Dupont
Emily Ellsworth
Henry Leck
Deborah Mello

Composer
New Orleans Children's Chorus
Conductor and Clinician
Butler University, Indianapolis, IN
Montclair University, Montclair, NJ

10:00-10:55 am

Concert Programming: Like Planning a Full-Course Meal

Dr. Peggy Dettwiler

Mansfield University
Mansfield, PA

10:00-10:55 am

***Yay! I got a job! Now what do I do?!?!
Tips and Tricks for a Successful First Year and Beyond***

Lauren Ramey

Florida State University
Tallahassee, FL

11:00-11:55 am

Inherent Biases Found in the Choral Music Curriculum

Dr. Felicia Barber

Westfield State University
Westfield, MA

11:00-11:55 am

Stay Gold: Five Core Tenets for Building a Choral Program

Dr. Eric Posada

University of North Carolina
Charlotte, NC

1:00-1:55 pm

Intentional Warm-Ups: Skill Building & Accountability

Dr. Eric Posada

University of North Carolina
Charlotte, NC

1:00-1:55 pm

Eves & Adam: Teaching Women's Choir Through a Male Prism

Dr. Phillip Stockton

Mississippi State University
Oxford, MS

2:00-2:55 pm

***Breaking the Binary: Creating Safe Space for Non-Binary, Agender,
Transgender, and Otherwise Genderqueer Students
in the Choral Classroom***

Caleb Porter

Southeastern Louisiana University
Hammond, LA

2:00-2:55 pm

From Classroom to Chorus: Building on the K-5 Foundation

Dr. Susan Brumfield

West Texas Children's Chorus
Lubbock, TX

3:00-3:55 pm

Building Inclusive Choirs

Dr. Aaron Knodle

Louisiana Tech University
Ruston, LA

Ayesha Casie Chetty

University of Cincinnati
Cincinnati, OH

3:00-3:55 pm

***Rise to the Top! The Four Rs of Establishing Excellence
in the Choral Classroom: Relationships, Relevance,
Relentlessness, and Rigor***

Lauren Ramey

Florida State University
Tallahassee, FL

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