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# OLIVIA C. FERGUSON, SOPRANO

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## EDUCATION & AWARDS

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### **BM in Vocal Performance, Michigan State University College of Music, 2010**

*Graduated with High Honors as well as from MSU Honors College*

- Dean's list 8 semesters – 3.98 GPA
- Recipient of Honors College yearly scholarship, College of Music yearly scholarship, and Vocal Area Chair Discretionary Scholarship
- Languages studied: 3 semesters German, 1 semester Italian

## WORK EXPERIENCE

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### **Fall 2006-Present**

### **Freelance Musician**

- Piano and Vocal Instructor
- Collaborative Pianist

### **Summer 2007 and 2008**

### **Music Director, Novi Theaters Summer Programs**

- Managed classroom of 25-30 students grades 1-12
- Arranged music for three full-length musical productions
- Auditioned, coached, and directed students for three performances

### **Fall 2006 to Spring 2008**

### **Professorial Assistant, MSU**

- Collaborative pianist for vocal students
- Assistant stage manger – MSU Opera Theatre – 2006 production of *Don Giovanni*

## CROSS-CULTURAL EXPERIENCE

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### **2009-2010          Bridges International, MSU Chapter**

- Co-leader of Bible study for Chinese students
- Team member providing practical aid to international students

### **Spring 2009          Semester Abroad**

- Studied one semester in Vienna, Austria
- Taught English in a Viennese Kindergarten (25 students)
- Speaks conversational German

### **Fall 2007          MSU/China Vocal Collaboration**

- 1 of 8 students selected from entire vocal department
- Collaborated with 7 Chinese students
- Performed at MSU and Southwest University, Chongqing, China

## PERFORMANCE EXPERIENCE

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2010: Solo Recital, Bach Cantata 51 with selections by Purcell and Handel – MSU

Soloist, *Messiah*, Lansing Symphony Orchestra

Chorus, *Roméo et Juliette*, MSU Opera Theatre

Senior Recital, MSU College of Music

2009: 3 chamber performances with IES students in the Palais Corbelli – Vienna, Austria

2008: Barbarina in *Le Nozze di Figaro*, MSU Opera Theatre

Chorus, *Candide*, MSU Opera Theatre

2007: MSU/China Collaboration

Chorus, *Florenzia en el Amazonas*, MSU Opera Theatre

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