

Jennifer Quammen McGuire is a pianist, coach and conductor based in Nashville. Hailed by the Journal of Singing as "a most able collaborator, dispatching every pianistic challenge with complete aplomb," she is Music Director of the Vanderbilt Opera Theatre and Principal Senior Lecturer in Collaborative Piano at the Blair School of Music. McGuire maintains an active recital schedule in Nashville and across the country, with recent engagements at the Santa Fe Chamber Music Festival Opening Gala and the Oz Arts Center's Brave New Works Lab. Upcoming engagements include residencies at the Prairie Fire Theatre in Bloomington, IL and the Vocal Artistry Art Song Festival in Albuquerque, NM. She is featured on the albums *Irrational Exuberance* (Beauport Classical) and *Sursum* (Navona Records), as well as the recently released *Heinrich Marschner: Songs for Baritone* with baritone Jeffrey Williams (Centaur Records). McGuire has also worked with Cincinnati Opera, Dayton Opera, Opera Birmingham, The Nashville Symphony Chorus, and the Metropolitan Opera National Council Auditions. Faculty appointments at summer programs include the AIMS Festival (Graz, Austria), Seagle Festival, the Boston Conservatory Opera Intensive (Valencia, Spain), Poco a Poco, and the Accademia Vocale Lorenzo Malfatti (Lucca, Italy).

McGuire has conducted 16 productions for the Vanderbilt Opera Theatre, most recently *The Magic Flute*, *Sweeney Todd*, and the Spanish premiere of *Lucinda y las Flores de la Nochebuena*. Upcoming VOT productions include *Staggerwing*, *Le Nozze di Figaro*, and *Dragon's Breath*. Guest conducting engagements include *Le Nozze di Figaro* at the Seagle Festival, *Don Pasquale* at Boston Conservatory, and *Così fan Tutte* at Opera Memphis, as well as a virtual workshop of the new opera *Halcyon* with Vital Opera. In 2020, McGuire forayed into virtual opera as music director and sound designer of Vanderbilt's animated version of *L'enfant et les sortilèges*, which is available on YouTube.

In addition to her work in music, McGuire is a certified yoga instructor at the 500 hour level. She continues to study the physical and mental benefits of yoga with the goal of helping all people, but particularly artists, embrace their authentic selves and reach their full potential.