

Emma Kathryn Vakiener

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Personal Statement: Musician versed in the styles of Symphonic, Jazz, and Drum Corps Ensembles. As I have been fortunate to work with many outstanding music professionals, I am seeking to acquire a degree in Music Teacher Education to continue to foster the love and passion of music in young musicians.

Top Five Strengths:

♪ Committed to Success ♪ Strong Leadership Skills ♪ Adjustability ♪ Perseverance ♪ Eagerness to Learn

Education:

- Ithaca College Music Education Major
 - Expected Graduation - May 2023
- Notre Dame High School, Elmira, NY 2013-2019
 - Regents Diploma with Advanced Designation - June 2019

Instrumental Experiences:

♪ **Primary Instrument - Trumpet** 2009-Present

Principal Instructors:

- Gary Holmes- Private Instructor 2016-2019
- Benjamin Rochford - Director, Ithaca College Concert Band - 2019
- Dr. Aaron Witek- Assistant Professor of Trumpet, Ithaca College School of Music - 2019
- Michael Titlebaum - Director, Ithaca College Jazz Ensemble - 2020

♪ Ithaca College School of Music Ensembles:

- Concert Band
- Jazz Ensemble
- Trumpet Ensemble

♪ Ithaca College Trumpet Guild - 2020

- Co-Vice President & Health and Safety Officer
- Founder/Producer/Manager - Brass Instrument Bell Masks Fundraiser

♪ **Ithaca College Performance Crew Member** - November 2019 - Present

- Assist in stage/audience set up for recitals & large ensemble concerts
- Usher & greet guests attending recitals & concerts

♪ **Ithaca College School of Music House Manager** - Anticipated Start Date January 2021

♪ **7th Regiment Drum & Bugle Corps** - New London, Connecticut - 2018- 2019

- Kevin Lowery, Director
- Caption Heads:
 - Jason Arnold- West Haven, CT
 - Sean Lee- Boston, MA
 - Rachel Rubino- Trumbull, CT

♪ **Trumpet Masterclasses:**

♪ ***Mary Elizabeth Bowden*** - Seraph Brass, Shenandoah Conservatory

♪ ***Buddy Deshler*** - Dallas Brass

Internship Experiences:

♪ **Notre Dame High School Assistant Junior High Band Director** 2018-2019

- Design and Implement Lessons for Jr.High Concert Band
- Design and Implement Lessons for Individual and Small Group Instrumentalists
- Perform Basic Conducting Patterns
- Learn Functions of Concert Band Instruments
- Organization of Music Scores in Music Library
- Organization and Inventory of School Owned Instruments

♪ **SoundTrap Student Collaboration with Ithaca City School District Faculty** - Anticipated Start Date - January 2021

Vocal Experiences:

♪ Primary Voice - Soprano

♪ Principal Instructors:

- Cathy Peckham - St. Mary Our Mother Church 2008-Present
- Krista Easton - Notre Dame High School/Private Instructor 2017-Present
- Dr. Sean Linfors - Director, Ithaca College Choral Studies - 2020

♪ Notre Dame's Concert Choir - 2017-2019

- WorldStrides Festival of Gold National Youth Choir
 - Carnegie Hall, New York City
 - Conductor - Dr. Anton Armstrong, St. Olaf College

♪ St. Mary Our Mother Church's Children, Youth, & Adult Choirs - 2008-Present

- Cantor Masses 2014-Present
- Cantata Memoria (Karl Jenkins) Children's/ Youth Choir 2017

♪ Vocal Masterclasses:

♪ ***Daniel Bates***, Tenor

♪ ***Elena Galván***, Soprano

♪ ***Todd Thomas***, Baritone

♪ Accolades & Awards:

- Hansen Family Foundation Grant Recipient - 2018
- Todd Thomas Music Scholarship Recipient -2019
- IC School of Music Flora Brown Scholarship Recipient - 2019
- Drums Along the Mohawk Tour Award - 2019
- IC School of Music Allan H. Tremmen Music Scholarship Recipient - 2020
- Mu Phi Epsilon (Professional Music Fraternity) Member, Lambda Chapter - 2020