

# BROOKE SANDERS

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## EDUCATION

### Berklee College of Music - 2024

#### Bachelor's of Music in Songwriting

Minors in Musical Theater Writing and Musical Theater Conducting

Merit scholarship totaling \$92,000 for piano skills

## SKILLS

Piano

Vocals

Acoustic Guitar

Bass Guitar

Finale

Logic Pro

Copywork

Orchestration and arranging

Vocal coaching

Stick and piano conducting

Piano teaching

Google apps

Songwriting

Librettist

Effective communication

Scheduling

Budgeting

Dorico

## REFERENCES

**Eric Stern** - music director and professor

estern@berklee.edu

**Cody Walls**- artistic director Great Plains Theater

cody@greatplainstheater.com

## AFFILIATIONS

**Maestra**

**Nashville Songwriter's Association**

**ASCAP**

## MUSIC DIRECTION EXPERIENCE

Great Plains Theater December 2024

- Music director and piano conductor for *Plaid Tidings* in December 2024 at Great Plains Theater in Abilene, Kansas

Boston University May 2023-April 2024

- Music director for *Anastasia* performed in April 2024 at Tsai Performance Center. Stick conducted 12-piece band and taught vocals to 25 person cast
- Music director for *Spring Awakening* performed in November 2023 at a black box theater. Played keys in pit and taught vocals to cast.

Curtain Up at Berklee College of Music January 2024-April 2024

- Music director for the Curtain Up contest for new musical theater songs. Taught original songs to cast for their debut performance. Stick conducted 16 piece band at the Berklee Performance Center

Maestra First Takes August 2024

- Music director and stick conductor for original song ("Come Back to You" by Yael Karoly) at Maestra's first takes in New York City

Franklin Simpson Community Arts Council May 2023-July 2023

- Assistant music director for *Matilda* performed in July 2023 in Franklin KY

Davidson Academy August 2017-March 2020

- Music director and piano conductor for *Freaky Friday* performed in April 2019
- Music director for 5 shows performed to tracks (*Legally Blonde*, *Alice in Wonderland*, *Peter and the Starcatcher*, *Quilters*, *Best Christmas Pageant Ever*)

### Honors and awards for Music Direction

Boston University - "Best Music Director of the '23-'24 season" for work on *Anastasia*

Nashville Spotlight Awards- "All Star Crew" for work as the music director for "Freaky Friday"

Junior Theater Festival- "Best Ensemble" award for work as the vocal coach for *Alice in Wonderland*

## PIANO AND TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Roots Academy September 2024-Present

- Piano, voice, and songwriting mentor at studio in Brentwood, TN
- Co-Director of vocal ensemble/acapella group

Carpe Artista September 2024-Present

- Piano and voice instructor at studio in Smyrna, TN
- Director of inaugural show choir

Berklee College of Music January 2022-April 2023

- Keyboard player and rehearsal pianist for theatrical productions at Berklee College of Music including *The Willard Suitcases Suite*, *Playing Dead*, and *Firebringer*

Brooke Sanders school of Piano and Voice August 2020-May 2021

- Founder and piano and voice teacher with 11+ students

The Grammy Museum July 2019

- 1 of 3 keyboard players selected out of 1,000+ applicants for Grammy Camp in Los Angeles, CA sponsored by the Grammy Museum and the Recording Academy

## ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE

The Broadway Band May 2022-May 2024

- President for '23-'24 academic year of Berklee's premier orchestra for musical theater featuring the contributions of 40+ students
- Orchestrator and copyist for the Spring 2024 Unplugged and Orchestral shows

Curtain Up April 2023-April 2024

- Lyricist of "Okay"- a winner of the contest in 2023
- Orchestrator and copyist for the 2024 contest

Maestra First Takes August 2024

- Orchestrator and copyist for original song ("Most Desired Prey" by Meghan Rose and S.C. Lucier) for First Takes in New York City

Q Management May 2023-August 2023

- Management intern in Franklin TN

Davidson Academy November 2019-June 2020

- Composer, lyricist, and book writer for *Something You Didn't Know*
- Piano conductor and music director for debut performance