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Red River Métis Nation · Fulbright Scholar

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

Degrees and Diplomas

- Master of Music (Vocal Performance), John J. Cali School of Music, Montclair State University, 2025 — includes a one-year leave of absence to perform *Li Keur: Riel's Heart of the North*
- Indigenous Leadership Diploma, University of Alberta, Edmonton and SaskPoly, Saskatoon, SK, 2024
- Bachelor of Music (Vocal Performance with Distinction), Desautels Faculty of Music, University of Manitoba, 2022

Residencies, Young Artist and Mentorship Programs

- Musical Theatre Intensive Mentorship with Broadway alum Christian Sebek, New York City, 2026
- Artist Fellow, Opera Lucca Young Artist Program, Lucca, Italy, 2026
- Artist Fellow, BRIDGES Vocal Arts, Paris, France, 2026
- Banff Centre for Arts and Creativity, Chamber-Opera Interplay, 2024
- MasterVoices mentorship and assistant to Ted Sperling, Music Director and Conductor, 2024
- Peak Performance, Montclair, NJ — mentorship and assistant to composer and director Scott Davenport Richards, 2024
- Indigenous Opera Intensive Mentorship with Rebecca Cuddy, Manitoba Opera apprenticeship on *Li Keur: Riel's Heart of the North*, 2023
- Emerging Artist, Bel Canto in Tuscany Young Artist Program, 2022–2023
- Opera Intensive Mentorship with Barbara Dever, New York City, 2022
- Opera NUOVA Young Artist Program, Edmonton, AB, 2022
- Association of Opera in Canada Opera Fellowship, 2021–2022
- Emerging Artist, Northern Lights Music Festival, Aurora, MN, 2021
- Musical Theatre Intensive Training Program with Richard Lissemore and Richard Hinds, New York City, 2016

Additional Training

- Association of Opera in Canada, Opera Artist Resilience Program mini-mentorship with Sean Bickerton and Heather Pawsey, 2023
- Acting for Singers, Montclair State University, with Scott Davenport Richards
- Opera America, BIPOC Professional Development Workshop, 2022
- Director's Guild of Manitoba, Seminar in Assistant Director Fundamentals with Reed Makayev
- University of Manitoba Big Band, alto and soprano saxophone and vocalist, with Neil Watson, 2021
- Film Training Manitoba — COVID training and protocols 2021; Set Orientation & Safety Awareness 2018
- Westwood Collegiate Performing Arts Program, 2014–2018 — drama with Sandy White and Cory Wojcik, musical theatre with Alice Russell, dance with Brian Toms, alto and soprano saxophone (jazz and concert band section leader) with Greg Edwards
- Air Cadets Summer Band Training Program, 2016 and 2017 — six-week advanced training for concert and marching band; section leader, training cadets in drill, ceremonial, music theory and decorum
- Piano with Audrey Belyea, Grade 8 Royal Conservatory of Music, 2004–2019
- Guitar with Dr. Ian Hodges, 2006–2018

Voice Teachers, Directors and Conductors

Barbara Dever, Ted Sperling, Robin Guarino, Mel Braun, Tracy Dahl, Brian Deedrick, Neil Weisensel, Gordon Gerrard, Patrick Hansen, Yvette Nolan, Ira Mount, Giovanni Reggioli, Grant Wenaus, Jonathon Beyer, Jeffrey Gall, Beth Roberts, Karen Driscoll, Dr. Lori McCann, Scott Davenport Richards, Dr. Laura Loewen, Donna Fletcher, Timothy LeFebvre, Beatrice Benzi, Elizabeth Koch.

OPERA, ORATORIO AND MUSICAL THEATRE

- *Vanessa* (Barber) — **Vanessa** (lead), Montclair State University Opera, Montclair, NJ 2025
- *Blind Injustice* (Davenport Richards) — **Nancy Smith** (cover) / Featured Ensemble, Jazz at Lincoln Center, New York, NY 2025
- *Hansel and Gretel* (Humperdinck) — **Mother**, MSU Chamber Opera Ensemble, Montclair, NJ 2024
- *Indians on Vacation* (Cusson) — **Mimi** (cover), Chamber-Opera Interplay, Banff Centre for Arts and Creativity 2024
- *The Grapes of Wrath* (Ricky Ian Gordon) — **Chorus, Semi-Chorus**, MasterVoices at Carnegie Hall, New York, NY 2024
- *Blind Injustice* (Davenport Richards) — **Nancy Smith** (cover), Peak Performance, Montclair, NJ 2024
- *Li Keur: Riel's Heart of the North* (Steele, Kusturok & Weisensel) — **Josette LaGrande** (cover), Chorus, Manitoba Opera / Winnipeg Symphony Orchestra 2023
- *Messiah* (Handel) — **Alto Soloist / Chorus**, New Jersey Symphony Orchestra & MSU Singers 2022
- *The Beautiful Bridegroom* (Dan Shore) — **Leonora**, MSU Chamber Opera Ensemble, Montclair, NJ 2022
- *Suor Angelica* (Puccini) — **Suor Dolcina**, Bel Canto in Tuscany, Greve, Italy 2022
- *The Consul* (Menotti) — **Anna Gomez**, Opera NUOVA, Edmonton, AB 2022
- *Judas Maccabaeus* (Handel) — **Israelite Woman**, U of Manitoba Oratorio Ensemble 2022
- *Solomon* (Handel) — **Chorus**, Winnipeg Symphony Orchestra 2022
- *Missing* (Brian Current) — **Native Girl**, U of Manitoba Opera Theatre 2022
- *La Cenerentola* (Rossini) — **Tisbe**, Northern Lights Music Festival Opera, Virginia, MN 2021
- *Cendrillon* (Massenet) — **Fairy**, U of Manitoba Opera Theatre 2019
- *Evita* — **Chorus**, Sr. Musical Company, Westwood Collegiate, Winnipeg 2017
- *Wizard of Oz* — **Glinda**, Westwood Collegiate, Winnipeg 2016
- *The Sound of Music* — **Mother Abbess**, Westwood Collegiate, Winnipeg 2015
- *La Bohème* (Puccini) — **Children's Chorus**, Manitoba Opera 2014

SCENES

- *La Bohème* (Puccini) — **Musetta** (Act II), Opera Lucca, Lucca, Italy 2026
- *Gianni Schicchi* (Puccini) — **Nella**, Opera Lucca, Lucca, Italy 2026
- *Suor Angelica* (Puccini) — **Maestra delle Novizie**, Opera Lucca, Lucca, Italy 2026
- *Giulio Cesare* (Handel) — **Cleopatra** ("Caro! Bella!"), Opera Lucca, Lucca, Italy 2026
- *Così fan tutte* (Mozart) — **Dorabella** ("Alla bella Despinetta," "Soave sia il vento"), Opera Lucca, Lucca, Italy 2026
- *Don Giovanni* (Mozart) — **Donna Elvira**, BRIDGES Vocal Arts, Paris, France 2026
- *La Clemenza di Tito* (Mozart) — **Vitellia**, Bel Canto in Greve, Bel Canto in Tuscany, Italy 2023
- *Le nozze di Figaro* (Mozart) — **Marcellina**, Bel Canto in Radda, Bel Canto in Tuscany, Italy 2023
- *L'incoronazione di Poppea* (Monteverdi) — **Nerone**, Bel Canto at Castello di Verrazzano, Bel Canto in Tuscany, Italy 2023
- *Little Women* (Adamo) — **Meg**, *Trials & Triumphs of Love*, Montclair State University Opera Workshop, Montclair, NJ 2023
- *Les Contes d'Hoffmann* (Offenbach) — **Giulietta**, Bel Canto in Tuscany, Greve, Italy 2022

- *A Little Night Music* (Sondheim) — **Charlotte**, *Tribute to Stephen Sondheim*, Opera NUOVA, Edmonton, AB 2022
- *I Love You, You're Perfect, Now Change* (Roberts) — **Jane**, Musical Theatre Showcase, U of Manitoba Musical Theatre 2020
- *The Fantasticks* (Schmidt & Jones) — **Luisa**, Musical Theatre Cabaret, U of Manitoba Musical Theatre 2019

CONCERT AND LECTURE RECITAL

Harmonizing Truth and Reconciliation: Indigenous Voices in Canadian Opera

Lecture recital series — **Principal Performer and Producer**. Developed through Fulbright research, first presented on a state-wide New Jersey tour in 2025 and touring Canada through 2026–2027.

- Canadian Opera Company, Richard Bradshaw Amphitheatre, Four Seasons Centre for the Performing Arts, Toronto, ON — with pianist Jesse Plessis, National Day for Truth and Reconciliation, September 30, 2026
- University of British Columbia, Roy Barnett Recital Hall, UBC School of Music, Vancouver, BC — with pianist Dr. Risa Tonita, Wednesday Noon Hours series, October 21, 2026
- New Brunswick Symphony — 2026–2027
- Yukon tour in partnership with Gwaandak Theatre — 2026–2027
- McGill University, Montreal, QC — 2025–2026
- University of Calgary, Calgary, AB — 2025–2026
- Canadian Mennonite University, Winnipeg, MB — 2025–2026
- Brandon University, Brandon, MB — 2025–2026
- University of Manitoba, Winnipeg, MB — 2025–2026
- New Jersey state-wide tour — 2025

Concerts and Recitals

- *ArcherFest* — **Sole Vocalist**, Canadian Music Centre, Calgary, AB 2025
- *Virtuosi Roots & Branches Concert* — **Recitalist**, Virtuosi Concerts, Winnipeg, MB 2024
- *Living Music* — **Performer / Producer**, Canadian Museum for Human Rights, Winnipeg, MB 2023
- *Beneath the Azure Sky: An Emerging Artist Recital* — **Recitalist**, Agassiz Chamber Music Festival, MB 2023
- *Tlalat'si* — *Copper Box* — **Featured Indigenous Artist**, Confluence Concerts, Toronto, ON 2023
- Graduate Recital: *Show Me* — John J. Cali School of Music, Montclair, NJ 2023
- Caroline Shaw Residency Performance — John J. Cali School of Music, Montclair, NJ 2023
- Graduating Recital: *Tell Me the Truth About Life* — University of Manitoba 2022
- Third Year Recital: *Beneath the Azure Sky* — University of Manitoba 2021
- *Camryn Dewar: In Concert* — Winnipeg Fringe Festival 2017–2019

AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

- **Lifesaving Society Award of Merit**, for saving a drowning toddler, 2026
- **Fulbright Scholarship**, awarded by the US Department of State for the Master of Music at Montclair State University, 2024–2025
- American Association of University Women Scholarship, 2024–2025
- Canadian Federation of University Women Scholarship, 2024–2025
- Banff Centre Scholarship, Chamber-Opera Interplay Program, 2024
- Young Artist, Virtuosi Concerts' Roots and Branches Mentorship Project, 2023–2024
- Young Professional Artist, N'we Jinan Artworks Project, 2023–2024
- Modern Métis Woman Scholarship, 2023
- Dean's Honor List, Montclair State University, 2023

- RBC Artist Fellow, Association of Opera in Canada, 2021–2022
- Dean’s Honour Roll, University of Manitoba, 2019–2022
- Desautels Faculty of Music Scholarship, 2018–2022
- Royal Bank Future Launch Scholarship for Indigenous Youth, 2018–2022
- Indspire Building Brighter Futures Bursary, 2019–2022
- Manitoba Choral Association, David H. Waters Hymn Sing Award, 2021
- Winnipeg Music Festival Scholarship, 2021
- Louis Riel Bursary, 2019–2020
- Manitoba Music Festivals’ Provincial Finals, Top Vocalist, Canadian Composers, Advanced Level, 2019
- Richard and Kathleen Dunlop Litch Music Award, 2019
- Best First Year English Essay, University of Manitoba, 2019
- First Place, English Speaking Union of Canada Prize, 2019
- Rainbow Stage Scholarship, 2018
- **Royal Conservatory of Music Gold Medal**, Voice, for highest mark in Manitoba — Levels 1, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8, 2011–2018
- Trophy Class Finalist, Winnipeg Music Festival, 2014–2022
- Finalist, Manitoba Provincial Voice Competition, 2016–2018

WORK EXPERIENCE

- **Indigenous Performing Arts Alliance (IPAA)** — Youth Ambassador, 2025–26; inaugural member of the Indigenous Youth Council, 2026
- **Freelance opera and concert performer** across Canada, the United States and Europe, 2019–present
- **Canadian Musicians Co-op** — Emerging Artist and Vocal Workshop Leader for Youth, Summer 2025
- **Field School with the Lenape Tribe**, New Jersey — participant, 2025, focusing on Indigenous cultural learning and engagement
- **Caldwell Presbyterian Church** — Section Leader, 2022–present
- **MasterVoices** — Assistant to Tony Award-winning Music Director and Conductor Ted Sperling on *The Grapes of Wrath* at Carnegie Hall, New York, NY, 2024
- **Peak Performance**, Montclair, NJ — Assistant to composer and director Scott Davenport Richards, 2024
- **47 Filmworks** — Administrative and Production Assistant, 2024
- **Director’s Guild Canada** — Location Production Assistant, *With Love* and *Renovation Romance*, Manitoba, 2024
- **Manitoba Opera** — Production Ambassador and Community Event Coordinator, 2023. Coordinated community events and Indigenous community outreach promoting *Li Keur: Riel’s Heart of the North*, performed excerpts at events, followed up with reports and contacts, and served on the Advisory Committee.
- **Manitoba Opera** — Chorus Section Leader and recruiter, *Li Keur: Riel’s Heart of the North*, 2023. Led the alto and soprano sections of the chorus and assisted with recruiting choral members from the community.
- **Manitoba Opera Community Outreach Committee** — Indigenous Cultural Advisor and Youth Representative, 2022–2023
- **Gabrielle Roy television series** — Location Production Assistant, 2023. Worked with the Set Decoration Department to prep and wrap sets in locations across Manitoba.
- **Stony Mountain Ski Area**, 2011–2021 — Head Ski Instructor, certified ski and snowboard instructor, rental shop technician, lift operator, first-aid certified ski patroller, and communications and social media spokesperson.
- **Canadian Association of Snowboard Instructors** — certified snowboard instructor, 2016–present
- **Director’s Guild Manitoba**, film credits: *With Love* (Universal/NBC) 2024, *Flag Day* 2019, *Christmas at the Plaza* (Hallmark) 2019, *Christmas Club* (Hallmark) 2019, and *Love in Design* (Hallmark), all Locations Production Assistant; *Breakthrough* (20th Century Fox), Background Performer, 2018

VOLUNTEER AND COMMUNITY

- Indigenous Performing Arts Alliance — Youth Council member, 2026–present
- Winnipeg Folk Festival, Accessible Camping Crew 2023–2025
- Mentor and workshop leader, 301 Alan McLeod Squadron Royal Canadian Air Cadets
- Opera NUOVA, Indigenous Cultural Advisor 2022
- Kirstin’s Walk for Kids, assisting organizing committee 2018–2023
- University of Manitoba Faculty of Music, Student Mentor 2021
- Stony Mountain Community Association, performer at the Stony Mountain Remembrance Day Service 2014–2023
- Coffee House for Cancer, volunteer performer 2016–2018
- 301 Alan McLeod Squadron Air Cadets — Christmas Cheer Board, community events, veterans’ activities and events, community fundraising 2013–2017

Memberships and Affiliations

Manitoba Métis Federation (Red River Métis Nation) · Indigenous Performing Arts Alliance (IPAA) · Indigenous Music Development Program · Association of Opera in Canada, 2021–present · Opera America, 2022–present · National Association of Teachers of Singing (NATS) · Classical Singer · Canadian Musicians Co-op · Manitoba Music, 2017–present · American Association of University Women (AAUW) · Manitoba Choral Association, 2021–2023.

OTHER SKILLS

- Multi-instrumentalist: advanced piano, advanced saxophone and clarinet, intermediate acoustic and electric guitar, bagpipe chanter
- Spoken languages: English (fluent), Italian and French (conversational)
- Sung languages: English, French, Italian, German, Latin, French-Michif, Heritage-Michif (Cree-Michif), Anishinaabemowin
- Dance: Métis jigging, tap, jazz, highland, ballroom
- Stage skills: basic stage combat, conducting, voice acting, improv, Shakespeare theatre, slam poetry, military drill and ceremonial
- Professional ski and snowboard instructor certifications
- First Aid and CPR certifications
- Licensed boat operator
- Aviation training