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**MAJOR:**

MAJOR: MUSIC WITH A CONCENTRATION IN VOCAL PERFORMANCE  
INSTRUMENT: VOICE

**MINORS:**

PSYCHOLOGY AND COMPUTER SCIENCE

**PRIMARY FACULTY:**

TED FEDERLE, ALLAN FRIEDMAN, DAVID HEID, ANTHONY KELLEY, PENNY JENSEN

**SENIOR RECITAL:**

MY SENIOR RECITAL WILL BE APRIL 8 AT 7 PM IN THE NELSON MUSIC ROOM IN THE EAST DUKE BUILDING. IT WILL BE AN EVENING OF ARIAS AND ART SONGS FEATURING SOME OF YOUR FAVORITE COMPOSERS AS WELL AS SOME NEW COMPOSERS TO DISCOVER.

**BIDDLE HIGHLIGHTS:**

MY MOST MEMORABLE MOMENTS IN BIDDLE HAVE BEEN DURING REHEARSALS WITH THE DUKE CHORALE. THE GROUP HAS ALWAYS GIVEN ME THE CHANCE TO MAKE MUSIC WITH SOME OF MY CLOSEST FRIENDS. MY FONDTEST MEMORIES OVER THE YEARS HAVE BEEN ON THE INFAMOUS SPRING 2020 TOUR TO FLORIDA AND HAVING THE CHANCE TO CONDUCT THE CHOIR THROUGHOUT THIS SEMESTER.

**FOR FUTURE MUSIC STUDENTS:**

IF YOU ARE THINKING ABOUT PURSUING A MUSIC MAJOR OR MINOR, DO IT! IT IS SO REWARDING AND EVERYONE IN THE DEPARTMENT WANTS TO SEE YOU SUCCEED. THE MUSIC MAJOR AND MINOR FAMILY IS SMALL, AND YOU WILL ALWAYS SEE PEOPLE YOU RECOGNIZE HANGING AROUND BIDDLE. THOSE ARE THE PEOPLE WILL CONTINUE TO ENCOURAGE AND SUPPORT YOU IN EVERYTHING YOU DO. YOU WILL HAVE A BUILT-IN SUPPORT GROUP THAT WILL HELP YOU ACHIEVE YOUR GOALS WHATEVER THEY MAY BE.

**AFTER DUKE:**

IMMEDIATELY AFTER GRADUATION, I WILL BE ONE OF 32 EMERGING ARTISTS AT THE SEAGLE FESTIVAL IN UPSTATE NEW YORK. I WILL BE PERFORMING IN MULTIPLE OPERA AND MUSICAL THEATER PRODUCTIONS THROUGHOUT THE SUMMER. AFTER THE FESTIVAL, I HOPE TO WORK IN ARTS ADMINISTRATION AS I PREPARE MY APPLICATIONS AND AUDITION REPERTOIRE FOR GRADUATE SCHOOL IN VOCAL PERFORMANCE AND OPERA.

I WANT TO THANK ALL THAT HAVE SUPPORTED ME DURING MY TIME AT DUKE. THIS JOURNEY HAS HAD MANY TWISTS AND TURNS, BUT I WOULD NOT BE THE MUSICIAN I AM TODAY WITHOUT ALL YOUR HELP. THANK YOU!