

LAMONT RIDGELL



Performance Bio

Vocal Range

Classically trained Lyric Baritone, but can also sing Bass II & I, Tenor II comfortably.

Theatre Performance

2011

Master Harold....and the boys: "Sam"
Off Broadway West / Phoenix Theatre, SF

Chicago: "Billy Flynn" *substitute
Willows Theatre Company / Campbell Theatre (June 9-12/ 5 Performances)

On This Island: "Papa Ge"
Willows Theatre Company / Concord Mainstage Re-Opening

Big River: The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn: "Jim"
Contra Costa Civic Theatre

2010

HONK!: "The Bullfrog"
A Dramatic Cure (benefitting American Cancer Society)

You're A Good Man, Charlie Brown: "Schroeder" *substitute
Willows Theatre Company / Campbell Theatre (Memorial Day Weekend)

Man of La Mancha: "Don Miguel de Cervantes / Alonzo Quixana / Don Quixote"
Altarena Playhouse

- 2009** Alameda Theatre's Vegas New Year's Eve with "The Rat Pack"
Sammy Davis, Jr. / Alameda Theatre
- "Sounds of the Season": Featured Soloist
Alameda Civic Light Opera & Contra Costa Civic Theatre
- "Broadway's Greatest Moments": Featured Soloist / Dancer
Alameda Civic Light Opera
- Ragtime: "Coalhouse Walker, Jr."
Alameda Civic Light Opera
- Wrote and premiered: "Along The Yellow Brick Road" Cabaret Show
Unity Palo Alto Community Church (solo show)
- Nat & Judy with Love from LaMont Ridgell & Desiree Goyette
Cabaret Show premiere: The Razzz Room in the Nikko Hotel, San Francisco
- 1985** On Camera TV & Film Extra (while residing in Chicago, IL)
- 1985 - 86** "Lady Blue" Television Series starring Jamie Rose
- 1986** "Nothing in Common" w/ Tom Hanks & Jackie Gleason
- 1986** "Ferris Bueller's Day Off" w/ Matthew Broderick
- 1986** "Running Scared" w/ Gregory Hines & Billy Crystal
- 1982** Western Michigan University: Chicago: "Billy Flynn"
- 1982 - 1984** Announcer / Music Programmer WMUK 102.1 FM
On Campus NPR Station
- Summers:** Member of KCYT (Kalamazoo Civic Youth Theatre)
Soloist / Dancer in Broadway review show
The Music Man: "Marcellus Washburn"
Guys & Dolls: "Nicely, Nicely, Johnson"
West Side Story: "Jets"

Vocal Experience

- 2009** Featured Vocalist Christian Science New Hymnal Supplemental
2-Disc CD recording "Let's Sing"
- 2006 - 2009** Vocalist on Video Games / Movie Trailers:
- Fisher-Price PowerTouch Learning System
(3 main character voices for unreleased series /
supplemental characters for released Berenstain Bears books)
- Gran Turismo 4 (various tracks)
- Ghost Rider Movie Trailer (produced by Pfeifer Broz.)
- Casino Royale Movie Trailer (produced by Pfeifer Broz.)
- Pfeifer Broz. Sample Library

- 2004 – 2010** Golden Gate Men's Chorus, Joseph Jennings, director
Member / featured soloist / member of select ensemble "Counterpoint"
- 2003** Recorded & Released "Intimacy" the CD (CD Baby & Amazon)
- 2002** Debuted "Intimacy Too" @ The Plush Room in the York Hotel
- 2001** Wrote & Debuted solo cabaret show "Intimacy" @ The Plush Room
The York Hotel, San Francisco, CA
- 2001** Won "Best Male Cabaret Singer / San Francisco"
Sponsored by Scarlett's Restaurant
- 1999 – 2002** Director "Swing Set" – Gay Men's Vocal Jazz Ensemble within SFGMC
- 1996 – 2002** San Francisco Gay Men's Chorus (Bass II), Dr. Stan Hill, director

Recorded three CD's (NakedMan, ExtrABBAganza, & Q*)
at Skywalker Ranch / Skywalker Sound
* Featured Soloist "Autumn Leaves"

Featured soloist at all SFGMC sponsored Cabarets
- 1986 – 1989** Syracuse University Vocal Jazz Ensemble "Windjammer"
Diana Spradling, Director
Syracuse University Singers, G. Burton Harbison, director
- 1980 – Present** Numerous Vocal Jazz Workshops and Clinics across the US & Canada; Including
- ShowChoir Camps of America
 - New England Show Choir Camps
 - UNC / Greeley Vocal Jazz Festival
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 - Phil Mattson Vocal Jazz Workshops / WMU, Kalamazoo, MI
 - Western Michigan University Gold Company Invitational VJ Festival
 - Watseka Show Choir Competition
 - Kankakee Show Choir Competition
 - Bishop Luers Show Choir Competition
 - Showstoppers Show Choir Festival
 - IAJE Conferences
 - NYSSMA Festivals
 - International Peace Arch Music Camps
 - University of Georgia Athens Twilight Vocal Jazz Workshop & Festival
- 1979 – 1984** Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, MI

Founding member of "Gold Company" directed by Stephen Zegree
* Singer / Soloist / Choreographer
- 1977 – 1979** University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

University of Michigan Men's Glee Club, directed by Dr. Leonard Johnson
University of Michigan Freshman Production: West Side Story: "Jet"

Education & Training

Syracuse University - Masters Degree in Music Education

Asst. Director / Performer Vocal Jazz Ensemble Windjammer
Director, Diana Spradling
Voice Instructor: G. Burton Harbison
Member of Syracuse University Singers, directed by G. Burton Harbison
Announcer for Pride of the Orange – Syracuse University Marching Band
Broadcast Announcer for NYSSMA Band Festivals / Carrier Dome (4 years)
Broadcast Announcer for WAER FM 88

Western Michigan University - B.A. in Broadcast Communications

Double Minor: Theatre & Theatrical Dance
Voice Instructor: Thomas G. Hardie
Dance Instructors: Clara Gamble, Loretta McCray, Lindsey Canfield Thomas
Broadcast Announcer / Show Host for WMUK 102.1 FM (150,000 Watts)
Featured Performer / Choreographer for WMU's internationally regarded
Vocal Jazz Ensemble Gold Company, directed by Stephen Zegree
Broadcast Announcer for student-run WIDR FM 88

Alumnus of Interlochen Music Camp (1977, 78, 80, 81)

Voice Instructor: Dean Willis Patterson
Member; University Chorus / Opera Workshop / University Chamber Ensemble