

WORD MAVEN

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MUSIC

Debra Alexander

EXPERIENCE

- Word Maven Music**
Toronto, ON
Andover, NH
Austin, TX
Sole Proprietor 1993 - present
Music Education, Publishing and Music Services. Teach lessons in guitar, piano, keyboards, theory, production, arranging, and songwriting. Seek appropriate outlets for songwriting catalog. Produce MIDI sequences for backing tracks, songwriter demos, and underscore music for film. Design sound for theatrical production and multimedia presentation. Perform transpositions, takedowns, and other copyist services. ASCAP publisher membership, 1996.
- Proctor Academy**
Andover, NH
Learning Skills Specialist; Music Ensemble Accompanist 2000 - 2005
Wrote and implemented a Learning Skills educational program for each student according to his/her learning style, achievement level, and areas of strength and weakness. Prepared Initial, Interim, and Final Reports of students' educational programs.
Accompanist for the Proctor Chorus in daily rehearsals, concerts, and festivals.
- NSAI**
New London, NH
Regional Workshop Co-ordinator, Nashville Songwriters Association International 2001 - 2005
Conducted monthly songwriting workshops and critique sessions. Secured guest speakers. Maintained membership database and internet user group. Filed monthly financial and meeting reports.
- Dixon Hall Music School/Cabbagetown Community Arts Center**
Toronto, ON
Instructor of Computer Music and Piano; Choir Accompanist 1999 - 2000
Developed computer music curriculum and taught computer music course. Configured MIDI recording studio and maintained equipment. Taught piano lessons and prepared students for monthly recitals; accompanied the choir in rehearsals and concerts.
- BMI**
Austin, TX
Music Profiler, Broadcast Music Incorporated 1993
Logged performances of music in various business establishments; submitted detailed reports.
- Alpha Music**
Austin, TX
Sheet Music Reference and Sales 1992 - 1995
Researched popular and classical music in print, placed stock orders with publishers, and tracked sales in daily and monthly account records.
- Jan Seides Piano Studio**
Marci Lynn Studio
Austin, TX
Instructor of Piano; Instructor of Songwriting 1992 - 1994
Taught theory, ear training, and dictation. Covered song structure, titles and title placement, verse development, prosody, and rhythm and rhyme in songwriting lessons.
- EDUCATION**
Berklee College of Music Boston, MA, Studies in stylewriting, recording and songwriting.
University of Texas Austin, TX, Recording Studio Internship.
Austin Community College Austin, TX, Studies in MIDI and recording.
Wittenberg University Springfield, OH, A.B., Music.
- AFFILIATIONS**
American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers (ASCAP)
Songwriters Guild of America (SGA)
Metronome Canada, Chair, Schools Campaign Committee, 1999
Songwriters Association of Canada (SAC)
Austin Songwriters Group (ASG) Board of Directors and Secretary, 1994 - 1995
- CREDITS/AWARDS**
"You Can Cry" (w/David Leask)
SONY Music Publishing Single Song Contract, 2004 ; 1st Place, NSAI Single Song Showdown, 2004
2nd Place, Unisong International Songwriting Competition, 2004
"Something So Sweet" (w/Suzie Vinnick)
33 Stars, Suzie Vinnick, 2002; Real Divas Volume II/Torchlight Volume II, 2005
"Tightrope of Dreams" (w/David Leask)
Tightrope of Dreams, David Leask, 2003
Grand Prize, Austin Songwriters' Group Songwriting Contest, 1996; 1st Place, 1995, 1996, 1997