Dr. Diana Ellis' Biography



Dr. Diana Lea Ellis, Mezzo-Soprano

Dr. Diana Ellis holds the Doctorate of Music Arts Degree in Vocal Performance from the University of North Texas, the Master of Music Degree in Voice and Vocal Pedagogy from Mississippi College and the Bachelor Degree in Music Education from Louisiana College. Her teaching experience includes 19 years as a faculty member at Ouachita Baptist University, Abilene Christian University, and at McMurry University where she was Professor of Music, Director of Opera, and Department Chair.. She has over 30 years of experience teaching private voice, conducting vocal ensembles, and directing musical performances, including musical theater and opera. Also an accomplished pianist, Dr. Ellis has served as an accompanist for numerous choirs and soloists and enjoys teaching piano lessons. Beyond her professional endeavors, she has faithfully served throughout her career in churches as soloist, pianist, worship leader, director of children choirs, youth ensembles, and adult worship choirs.

Dr. Ellis's performing experiences include numerous University concerts and recitals, regional opera and musical performances. She has presented guest solo concerts throughout the Southern U.S. Her international performances include concerts in China, Austria, and Italy.

Dr. Ellis has had numerous student winners, finalists, and semi-finalists at the Southern Region and Texoma Region of The National Association of Teachers of Singing.

Currently, she teaches for the Austin Fine Arts Academy.