



Denise Daverso, BM, MM, Vocal Performance, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign. She performed as soprano soloist in opera, oratorio and chamber music, and professional choral singer with music organizations in the Chicago area, Pacific Northwest, & NYC. Her interest in jazz music resulted in an album of songs titled, “When the Sun Comes Out,” and many performances in the Olympia area. Denise taught studio voice at Pacific Lutheran University, the American Conservatory of Music in Chicago, Triton College in Illinois, Planet Bluegrass Folks Festival (Boulder, CO), and St. Martin’s University in Lacey, WA. She is a dedicated voice and music teacher ever since graduating college while balancing an active

performing career. Denise has a prominent private voice studio in Olympia and her students have gone on to varied music careers as classical and music theater singers, songwriters, choral singers, and many recreational singers! Her teaching encompasses singing technique, music preparation, diction, stage performance, and care of the voice in a nurturing and safe environment. Denise has been active in the local arts community as an Arts Commissioner and founder of the Olympia Youth Chorus, and she has served in leadership positions for many years with the Tahoma Chapter of the National Association of Teachers of Singing. Denise lives in Olympia with her husband, David, Mister GoGo Boots, the cat, and new family member, Lucky Lad, the Border Collie. Denise and David enjoy visits from their children and grandchildren throughout the year.