

# Michelle N. Magee

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Michelle N, Magee is Professor of Music, Director of Music and Director of Choral Activities at Texas College in Tyler, Texas, where she conducts the Concert Choir and teaches music courses. Before coming to Texas College, she was the Director of Choirs at South Oak Cliff High School and David W. Carter High School in the Dallas Independent School district. She was also the graduate teaching assistant at the University of Texas at Arlington where she assisted in conducting the Chamber Singers and Concert Choir as well as teaching theory and conducting courses.

Dr. Magee received her training at the University of North Texas in Denton, TX where she earned a Bachelor of Music Degree with a vocal concentration. She also has a Master of Music Degree in Music Education from the University of Texas at Arlington and a Doctorate of Education in Education Leadership from Jones International University in Centennial, Colorado.

Since 1998, Dr. Magee has been teaching voice privately as well as performing professionally domestically and internationally. As a Kennedy grant recipient, Michelle was bestowed with the honor of being one of two sopranos to represent the United States in the annual Music Diaspora Festival in London, England in the summer of 2002. This tour gained her international status and exposure which catapulted her into a successful international career. She has toured in Salzburg, Graz, and Vienna Austria, Switzerland, Italy, and has shared the stage with the likes of Kirk Franklin, Donnie McClurkin, Al Jarreau, Adonis Rose Jazz Orchestra, the Dan Cavanaugh Band and Oscar Award-Winner Jamie Foxx. In addition to her international travels, Michelle is in demand locally as well as nationally as a featured soloist.

Dr. Magee's teaching experiences includes working with singers of all ages through university, school, church, and community choruses. She has taught in the Dallas Independent School District for over 10 years and serves as a Choral Master for the annual Black Academy of Arts and Letters Summer Youth Enrichment Program. Dr. Magee's choirs have received numerous awards and honors including UIL Sweepstakes, All-State Choir Chairs, and high honors in UIL State Solo & Ensemble

Competition to name a few. Dr. Magee's personal honors include: 2013 Class Next Generation of Music Professional Award Recipient (Dallas Metroplex Musician Association/NANM); 2009 Jazz Scholarship Recipient Umbria Jazz Berkley College – Perugia, Italy; Guest soloist with domestic and international organizations – Trinidad & Tobago, Austria, Switzerland, London, and Irving Symphony Orchestra; 1<sup>st</sup> Place Vocalist Competition 2006 National Association of Negro Musicians; Outstanding Citizen Award presented by Mayor Barbara Bass of Tyler, Texas naming April 26, 2014 “Michelle N. Magee” Day in Tyler, TX.

Dr. Magee is a member of Friendship West Baptist Church in Dallas, TX where the senior pastor is Dr. Fredrick D. Haynes, III. Other affiliations included membership in Texas Music Educators Association, National Association for Music Education, and Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.