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## **JANE STEELE**

*Vocal Coach*

Jane Steele is a freelance vocal coach and accompanist based in New York City. She earned her BA in Music from Wellesley College while pursuing her other interests in languages and literature. She received her Master of Music degree in Vocal Accompanying and Chamber Music at the Manhattan School of Music where she was a scholarship student. Most recently, Ms. Steele has been a coach/accompanist at IVAI in New York, the Voice Experience Foundation in New York, the Lidalnorth Festival in Oslo, Norway, the International Institute of Vocal Arts in San Juan, Puerto Rico (IIVA), and the International Vocal Arts Institute in Tel Aviv, Israel (IVAI). In 2002, under the auspices of IVAI, she was a guest coach at the National Opera of China in Beijing. Ms. Steele was head of the coaching staff at the International Institute of Vocal Arts (IIVA) in Chiari, Italy from 1998-2008. She also held the position of Administrative Director of IIVA in Chiari, Italy, and was the American liaison with the local Italian government. She has organized joint projects with IIVA young artists and the apprentice orchestras at Teatro della Scala in Milan and at the Conservatorio di Brescia in Brescia. Ms Steele has been the rehearsal pianist for numerous American opera companies including New Jersey State Opera, DiCapo Opera, Opera Colorado, Natchez Opera, Opera Southwest and Pensacola Opera. She has worked as a vocal accompanist at the Manhattan School of Music and the Julliard School. She has been a guest artist at the Conservatorio de Musica de Puerto Rico in San Juan. She has been an accompanist for Master Classes given by Nico Castel, Joan Dornemann, Mignon Dunn, Catherine Malfitano, Sherrill Milnes, and Martial Singher.