

ALBANY PROMUSICA

Brendan Hoffman is the choral director at Albany High School, a position he has proudly held since 2004. During his tenure the choral program has flourished, earning top ratings at NYSSMA choral festivals, establishing partnerships and collaborations with other choral programs, touring, and performing an exciting and challenging array of music for a wide variety of events. The Albanettes, an auditioned women's choir, has performed for a number of high profile events, including Governor Andrew Cuomo's Inauguration in 2011, and twice at the NYS State of the State Address. The Select Choir has tackled several major works, performing Faure's Requiem in a memorial concert and fundraiser for cancer research, then Carl Orff's Carmina Burana with the Empire State Youth Orchestra together with choirs from Guilderland, Shaker, and-Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk, and most recently Rutter's Gloria with Texas State University Associate Choral Director Jonathan Babcock and choirs from Mount Sinai High School and Smithtown High School on Long Island.

Brendan has a bachelor's degree in music education from The Crane School of Music at SUNY Potsdam. As a clinician, Brendan has conducted several all-county choirs including Schoharie County, Greene County, and Schenectady County. As a singer, Brendan has performed regularly throughout the Capital Region as a soloist with organizations such as Albany Pro Musica, Burnt Hills Oratorio Society, The Octavo Singers, and on the stage with Park Playhouse, Cohoes Music Hall, and Lake George Opera. In 2014 he was named a Top Teacher by WNYT News Channel 13. He lives with his wonderful wife, Kim – a music educator at the Thomas O'Brien Academy of Science and Technology, and two beautiful children, CJ and Nate.