

# PAUL NEAL

# Conductor

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## College/University Education

\*For a detailed Listing of Coursework, please request Academic Transcript

<b>Doctor of Musical Arts</b>	<b>UCLA</b> Major*: Choral Conducting	Los Angeles, CA Major Teacher: <i>Donald Neuen</i>	2007
<b>Master of Music</b>	<b>University of Oklahoma</b> Major*: Choral Conducting	Norman, OK Major Teacher: <i>Dennis Shrock</i>	1999
<b>Bachelor of Music</b>	<b>Rice University</b> Major*: Voice Performance	Houston, TX Major Teacher: <i>Virginia Babikian</i>	1996

## Teaching Positions & Experience

\*For a listing of references, see Reference Section on page 5

Berry College	Associate Professor in Choral Conducting <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>Director of Choral Activities</i></li><li>• <i>Undergraduate and Graduate Conducting</i></li><li>• <i>Private Studio Voice</i></li></ul>	2015-present
Valdosta State University	Associate Professor in Choral Conducting (tenured) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>Director of Choral Activities</i></li><li>• <i>Undergraduate and Graduate Conducting</i></li><li>• <i>Private Studio Voice</i></li></ul>	2007-2015
UCLA	Music Instructor <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>Undergraduate Conducting</i></li><li>• <i>Director – University Chorus</i></li><li>• <i>Director – University Chamber Singers</i></li></ul>	2004-2007
Kilgore College	Music Instructor <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>Director of Choral Activities</i></li><li>• <i>Private Studio Voice</i></li><li>• <i>Music Theory</i></li><li>• <i>Music Theatre Workshop</i></li></ul>	1999-2004
University of Oklahoma	Music Instructor <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>Director – University Chorus</i></li><li>• <i>Instructor – Undergraduate Aural Skills</i></li></ul>	1997-1999

**Administrative Experience****\*Reference upon request**

<b>Berry College</b>	Director of Choral Activities <i>Conduct all choral ensembles; recruitment of students; plan and raise funds for recruitment tours both domestic and international; participation in related departmental and college-wide committees on recruitment and retention.</i>	2015-present
<b>Valdosta State University</b>	Director of Choral Activities <i>Conduct all choral ensembles; recruitment of students; recruit and coordinate the master's program in choral conducting; organize and conduct high school choir festival; plan and raise funds for recruitment tours both domestic and international; participation in related departmental and university-wide committees on recruitment and retention.</i>	2007-2015
<b>Valdosta State University</b>	Area Head of Voice Division <i>Responsible for all administrative affairs in the voice division: coordinate the vocal area; scholarship auditions; student orientation; recruitment of students; participation in related departmental committees.</i>	2009-2011
<b>UCLA</b>	Assistant to the Director of Choral Activities <i>Conduct rehearsals; recruit new singers; ticket sales and marketing; assist conductor during rehearsals.</i>	2007-2009
<b>Kilgore College</b>	Director of Choral Activities <i>Conduct all choral ensembles; recruitment of students; plan recruitment tours both domestic and international; participation in related departmental and college-wide committees on recruitment and retention.</i>	1999-2004
<b>Canterbury Choral Society</b>	Assistant to the Executive Director <i>Assisted with ticket sales and marketing; data entry and donor correspondence; manage rehearsal and performance space.</i>	1997-1999

## Professional Experience

### Peer-Reviewed/Auditioned Performances

#### Valdosta State University Chamber Singers

ACDA Southern Regional Performance	Steven's Performance Hall	Winston-Salem, NC	2012
GMEA In-Service Convention	Christ Church	Savannah, GA	2010
St. Philip's Cathedral Concert Series	St. Philip's Cathedral	Atlanta, GA	2009

#### Kilgore College

Round Church Concert Series	The Church of the Holy Sepulchre	Cambridge, England	2002
Music Series	Workshop Priory	Workshop, England	2001
Masterworks Concert Series	Trinity Episcopal Church	Longview, Texas	2001

### Guest Conductor

GMEA	District IV Honor Chorus	Stone Mountain, GA	2014
GMEA	District XIII Honor Chorus	Warner Robbins, GA	2013
Valdosta Symphony Orchestra	Associate Conductor	Valdosta, GA	2013
GMEA	District VI Honor Chorus	Atlanta, GA	2013
YouthCue, Inc.	Labor Day in the National Cathedral	Washington, DC	2012
GMEA	District XI Honor Chorus	Atlanta, GA	2012
VMEA	Region 11 Honor Chorus	Fairfax, Virginia	2012
DCINY, Inc.	Alice Tully Hall	New York City, NY	2011
Peach State Summer Theatre	Music Director	Valdosta, GA	2011
GMEA	All-State Reading Chorus	Savannah, GA	2011
Ambassadors of Music	Georgia Honor Choir Director	Europe	2010
Clerestory	Conductor - Pink Triangle Project	San Francisco, CA	2010
GMEA	All-State Choir	Savannah, GA	2010
Ceramic City Choir	Guest Conductor	England	2007
Texas Shakespeare Festival	Music Director	Kilgore, TX	2002
Joyful Noise Honor Choir	Guest Conductor	Jeckyll Island, GA	2008

## Research and Publications

“The Composer/Conductor Perspective” <i>An Analysis of the compositional process of Copland’s In the Beginning</i>	anticipated 2016
“When I Think Upon the Maidens” by Michael Head <i>Arrangement for TTB choir, published by Alliance Music Publications</i>	2015
“Hexenlied” by Felix Mendelssohn <i>Arrangement for SSA choir, published by Walton Music</i>	2012
“Chansons of Vincent D’Indy” <i>ACDA Choral Journal, July/August Edition</i>	2011
“Compere Guillery” by Vincent D’Indy <i>Published scholarly edition – Alliance Music Publications</i>	2010

## Major Works Conducted

Valdosta Symphony Orchestra	Creation	Haydn	2013
YouthCue, Inc.	Requiem (excerpts)	Brahms	2012
DCINY, Inc.	Requiem	Fauré	2011
Valdosta Symphony Orchestra	Grand Mass in C Minor	Mozart	2010
Valdosta Symphony Orchestra	King David	Honegger	2009
Valdosta State Choirs	Requiem	Durufle	2009
Valdosta State Choirs	Rejoice in the Lamb	Britten	2009
Valdosta State Choirs	Mass in G Major	Schubert	2008
Valdosta Symphony Orchestra	Lord Nelson Mass	Haydn	2007
Valdosta Symphony Orchestra	Nänie	Brahms	2007
Ceramic City Choirs	Chichester Psalms	Bernstein	2007
Sts. Simon and Jude Church	Messiah	Handel	2006
UCLA Choirs	Messa di Gloria	Puccini	2006
Lauridsen Festival Choir	Lux Aeterna	Lauridsen	2006
UCLA Choirs	Mass in Time of War	Haydn	2005
Kilgore College Choirs	Requiem	Mozart	2003
Kilgore College Choirs	Gloria	Vivaldi	2001

## Professional Organizations

American Guild of Musical Artists (AGMA)  
American Choral Directors Association (ACDA)  
Georgia Choral Directors Association (Chair: Repertoire & Standards-College & University)  
Georgia Music Educators Association (GMEA)  
College Music Society (CMS)

## Personal

- Married to Amy Meppen Neal; holds degrees in Piano Performance & Pedagogy from *Baylor University* and the *University of Oklahoma* (student of Jane Magrath); serves on faculty at Shorter University, former music faculty at East Texas Baptist University and accompanist at Shorter University and Valdosta State University.
- Father of two children, Andrew Neal (born in 2008) and Christopher Neal (born in 2009).

**References**

For more info ask for a List of References

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