

BIO

PAUL SISKIND

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Paul Siskind's music encompasses many genres, and has been performed across the US and abroad by renowned ensembles such as the Pittsburgh Symphony, Minnesota Orchestra, Arditti String Quartet, Dale Warland Singers, Counterinduction, Bluegrass Opera, Burklyn Ballet Theatre, and mezzo-soprano Stephanie Blythe. He has received numerous awards and grants, including ASCAP, Meet The Composer, American Music Center, National Federation of Music Clubs, New York State Music Fund, and the McKnight, Jerome, Puffin, and Dodge foundations. His work is published by G. Schirmer Inc., Cantando Musikkforlag, and Sweet Child Music, and has been commercially recorded on the Innova, Albany, Ravello, Ablaze, New Ariel, Equilibrium, Jeanné, and ERM Media labels.

Dr. Siskind is an accomplished teacher, and has taught courses in music, biology, communication/research skills, and career preparation at 10 different colleges in four different states. He received the SUNY Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Teaching, and a President's Award for Scholarship and Creative Activity. He completed his Ph.D. in Composition at the University of Minnesota, after studies at Queens College and Tufts University (where he completed a degree in biology and was elected to Phi Beta Kappa).

Along with teaching, Paul has worked as a composer-in-residence for the Education Department of Minnesota Opera, Twin Cities Chapter Coordinator for the American Composers Forum, Music Director of One Voice Mixed Chorus and The Any Music Singers, and as an Auditor for the New York State Council on the Arts.

Paul is a certified Master Naturalist; his research has focused on the impacts of the invasive Lily Leaf Beetle (*Lilioceris lili*) on populations of native *Lilium canadense*, along with developing an Integrated Pest Management strategy for controlling the beetle in gardens. He also serves as the Legislative Researcher for the New York Healthy Workplace Advocates, working for passage of the Workplace Bullying Prevention Act, and providing workshops and career consultations about dealing with harassment in the workplace. Paul is also a certified Mediator in custody/visitation, landlord-tenant, small claims, and community cases for the Resolution Center of St. Lawrence County, and provides mediation services for the NY State Unified Court System.