



Joanne J. Ward

Joanne J. Ward, conductor, received a Bachelor of Music degree in Music Education from Montclair University and a Master of Music in voice from West Chester University. She has studied voice with Benjamin Wilkes, Larry Dorminy, and Kate Madole and has been a lead performer with area churches, choral ensembles, and theatrical companies.

Mrs. Ward formerly served as the Director of Choral Activities for the Pennsville Public School District in Pennsville, New Jersey. She was the founder and artistic director of The Wilmington Youth Chorale and The Delaware Children's Chorus at the Music School of Delaware, retiring from that position in 2004. She currently serves as conductor and artistic director of The Delaware Women's Chorus and The Cantabile Women's Chorus, both in residence at The Music School of Delaware.

Mrs. Ward maintains a large private voice studio in both Wilmington and Milford, Delaware. Her students are annually selected for regional, state and national honor choirs. She continues to be in demand as a choral conductor and adjudicator as well as a soprano soloist. She currently serves as Vocal/Choral Department Head as well as Master Faculty with Distinction at the Music School of Delaware.