**TYPES OF PERFORMANCE DEGREES**

To get you started on your search, here is a beginning list of all of your options.

**Music Education:** With Bachelor, Masters, and Doctorate degrees in Music Education, students prepare them selves for careers teaching others the joys of music

**Vocal Performance:** The degree for students wishing to study classical music (opera, art song, oratorio). This degree is 100% focused on classical music at most schools. Students should be prepared to learn to sing in French, German, Italian, English, and possibly Spanish, Russian, and Czech.

**Musical Theatre:** Musical Theatre students study acting, singing, and dancing in the pursuit of becoming a triple threat and finding employment in professional musical theatre.

**Music Business/Music Industry:** Students in these degree programs study the various of entertainment management. Many musicians and singers interested in non-theatrical music careers find this a good program for gaining the skills necessary to turn their art into a business.

**Music Therapy:** A mix of psychology and music, music therapists use their skills in making music to help patients with numerous conditions. Great success has been documented in working with Down’s Syndrome, Autistic, Stroke, Coma, and Alzheimer’s patients as well as many others.

**Theatre:**Theatre degrees cover actors of all types.  Many of the great film and TV actors started on the stage and many others go to the stage after the screen.

**Recording Technology:**Recording Technology programs teach students how to run, troubleshoot, and repair a recording studio.  For students who aren’t into the business aspects of the music business, this can be a good alternative as it also produces usable skills to supplement your performing career.

**Jazz Voice:**A growing number of schools are now offering Jazz Voice degrees.  While mainly geared towards jazz, the programs do cover a wide range of subjects that can be extremely useful to singers of other genres as well.