David Rentz, USA, Conductor



Dr. David Rentz, an associate professor, teaches music and directs the choirs at Chaffey College, having taught music and conducted choral ensembles at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, Yale University, and, most recently, Pomona and Scripps College, Claremont Colleges.

He is the artistic director of the Orange County Symphony, choral director at the First Congregational Church of Riverside, and resident conductor of the Chamber Opera Players of Los Angeles.

From 2005 to 2010, he lived in New York City, where he served as choral director at The Brearley School, a K-12 girls preparatory school on the Upper East Side of Manhattan, and was a principal conductor and co-founder of C4: the Choral Composer/Conductor Collective, a collectively-run ensemble devoted to performing works written in the last twenty-five years.

David received his B. Mus. summa cum laude from Washington University in Saint Louis, where he was a Mylonas Scholar in the Humanities, earned his M.M at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, and received his M.M.A. and D.M.A. from the Yale University School of Music, where he was director of the University Chapel Choir and a member of the internationally-renowned Yale Schola Cantorum.

He has received fellowships and grants from the Yale alumniVentures program and the National Endowment for the Humanities, and was part of the 2011 Oregon Bach Festival Master Class in Choral Orchestral Conducting.