

# Innocent Okechukwu | Composer/Music Teacher

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# Professional Profile

I represent a revolutionary new pathway in music that stands at the intersection between tradition and modernity. A composer, and a Music Teacher. Very passionate about inculcating my knowledge in children between the ages of 3 to 18. I have four years of experience in teaching music theory and piano to K-12. I also have many years of experience as a chorus director and As a church pianist.

## Core Skills

- · Organisation
- Flexibility
- Presentation
- Problem solving

- Influence
- Results-driven
- Creativity

## **Career Summary**

Oct 2021 - Present Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Roslindale, MA, Boston, MA - USA

**Church Organist/Pianist** 

Outline

Providing piano accompaniment to worship, and preludes. Saturday and Sunday Masses.

## Key Responsibilities

- · Arrive on time and get the music ready.
- Care and maintain the piano.
- Provide music accompaniment.
- Report to the Priest.

Nov 2022 - Present Sacred Heart STEM School, Roslindale, Boston USA

**Music Teacher** 

Dec 2020 - Jun 2021 The Regent British School, Abuja, Abuja, Nigeria

**Music Teacher** 

Outline

Teaching Music theory and instruments to students. Leading the chorus and band group. Planning lessons and assessing students through classroom monitor.

May 2018 - May 2020 Solid Rock Music and Dance Zone, Dubai, United Arab Emirates

**Music Instructor** 

Outline

Teaching Musical instruments, Piano, violin, and voice. Evaluating Students' performance and providing feedback and advice. Prepare students to take board-graded examinations, such as TCL, ABRSM, etc. Dec 2014 - Jan 2016 Western Chorus Ensemble, Music Dept., University of Nigeria, Nsukka,

Nigeria

**Assistant Music Director** 

Outline

Assisting the music director to lead the chorus.

Standing by for rehearsals in the absence of the director.

Conducting the chorus occassionally.

Apr 2015 - Aug 2016 St. Mary's Anglican Church, Enugu-Ngwo, Nigeria, Nigeria

Organist/pianist

Outline

Playing the organ and piano for two services every sunday.

May 2016 - May 2017 Western Chorus Ensemble, Music Dept. University of Nigeria, Nsukka,

Nigeria

**Music Director** 

Outline

Directing and conducting the chorus.

Selection of repertoirs. Leading rehearsals.

Sourcing for accompanists.

Apr 2016 - Oct 2017 Christ the King Catholic Church, Odenigbo-Nsukka, Nigeria., Nigeria

**Music Director/Pianist** 

Outline

Making music selections.

Leading choir rehearsals.

Conducting and accompanying the choir.

Scheduling rehearsal times.

## Education

- Masters in Music Composition | Longy School of Music of Bard College, Cambridge, MA USA May 2023
- Music as a Healing and Transition Program | Longy School of Music of Bard College, Cambridge, MA - USA | 2022
- Bachelors degree, Music theory and composition | University of Nigeria, Nsukka | Jun 2017

# **Additional**

### Hobbies & Interests

Tennis, Creative writing

### **Publications**

Musical Echoes, 2022

#### **Awards**

Best Graduating student - 2017 - Music Department, University of Nigeria, Nsukka, Nigeria. Recipient of Browyn and Jeffrey Lamont's Social Change Fellowship. 2021- Longy School of Music, Cambridge, MA,USA

Equity Scholar award 2022 - Longy School of Music, Cambridge, MA, USA.