

Curriculum Vitae - Rebecca Kelly

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Qualifications

Second Level:

Dominican College, Wicklow

Junior Cert: 8 Honours

St. Kilian's C.S. Bray. Co. Wicklow

Leaving Cert: 5 Honours

Third Level:

National University of Ireland, Maynooth

Primary Degree: 2014 B. Mus. Hons. – Grade: 2.2

B.I.M.M. – D.I.T.

CPD Diploma: 2015 Awarded with Distinction

Professional Experience:

- I have played and sung at parties, funerals, weddings and concerts along with my family group. (The Kelly Family Vocal Ensemble)
- I am part of an Irish dancing group who perform at parties and weddings. I have also been on the radio, including the *John Murray Show*.
- I appeared on Television on New Year's Eve 2009/10 as part of a group of backing singers for one of the previous year's winners of the 'All Ireland Talent Show'.
- My family group and I were asked to be ambience singers for Bewley's café in Grafton Street. We were asked to make a recording of some songs to be played in the café and out on the street all over the Christmas period in 2011. The recordings have been used for the last three years as well.

Stage and Performance Experience:

- I have been performing on stage since the age of three – solo, with my family as a musical/singing group and with my Irish dance school.

Musicals

- I've also been in productions with Backstage School of Performing Arts in Bray County Wicklow, SMYTH musical theatre group (Bray), Curtain Call Academy in Greystones, MT4UTH and my school.
- I've taken part in a number of musicals and have played lead roles in the following: 2nd little piggie in **The Big Bad Musical** in July 2008, Susan in **Flapper** (SMYTH, Mermaid Theatre) in February 2009, **Calamity Jane** (St. Kilian's CS, February 2010) as Calamity herself, Alice in **Alice in Wonderland** (Curtain Call Academy, Greystones Th.) in June 2011, Cinderella in the **Rocker Horror Christmas Show** in December 2011 and most recently as Mrs Bucket in **Willie Wonka and the Chocolate Factory** (Curtain Call Academy, Greystones Th) in May 2012.
- I have had minor roles in the following shows:

- **Fame** (Mermaid Theatre, August 2008)
- **Half a Sixpence** (DCW Wicklow, October 2008)
- **Disco Inferno** (Mermaid Theatre, August 2009)
- **High School Musical** (St. Brendan's Secondary School, April 2009)
- I have also performed in a number of variety shows with my various Performing Arts schools, including a pantomime in which I sang Loathing (duet) from **Wicked**.
- I have a lot of experience in front-of-house work and backstage work as well.

Choral

- I performed with my traditional Irish group when I was in school and was a member of the Girls Choir in the school also.
- I sang in the National Concert Hall with Bray Youth Choir and Bray Choral Society singing *Carmina Burana* and *The Armed Man*.
- I sang with Wicklow Choral Society since 2010 performing such wide-ranging works as Howard Goodall's *Eternal Light* in 2010, *The Armed Man* in 2011, *Mozart's Requiem* and *the Coronation Mass* in 2012, Puccini's *Messa di Gloria* and Rossini's *Stabat Mater* in 2013, Bach's *Magnificat* and Handel's *Utrecht Te Deum* in 2014 and Haydn's *Te Deum* and *Stabat Mater* in 2015.
- I have sung with Bray Choral Society in Beethoven's *Symphony No. 9*, Verdi's *Requiem*, Haydn's *Creation* and most recently in 2015, Dvorak's *Stabat Mater*. In June 2015 we collaborated with an American Choir – Bel Canto from Wisconsin – to perform Haydn's *Nelson Mass* and Lauridsen's *Lux Aeterna*.
- I have travelled to Salzburg, Vienna and Wurzburg to perform with these choirs.
- I have sung Solo parts with Bray Choral Society in Haydn's *Missa Brevis in F* which we sang in Eisenstadt in the church where Haydn is buried! I sang the Solo part in Fauré's *Requiem* and in Vivaldi's *Gloria* in 'Come and Sing' performances of these works.

Dance

- I have taken Ballet, Jazz and Modern dance classes at the Annette Hynes School of Dance and Hip Hop, Contemporary and Musical Theatre dance classes at the Dance Centre of Ireland, Dun Laoghaire. I also took Dance Classes at Backstage and at Talented Kids on a weekly basis. I also did singing and acting classes there too. I have danced in the National Concert Hall and in the Gaiety Theatre.
- I was part of a dance group that performed at the National Basketball Arena in 2012 as a warm up group for Jedward for a Family Fun Day.
- I have also been to Dance Workshops in Pineapple Dance Studios in London with Talented Kids Ireland. We also attended classes in Costume, Combat and Theatrical Make-up workshops in Danceworks Studios with top West-End tutors, an acting workshop in the Globe Theatre and masterclasses in all aspects of television in the BBC Studios.
- I am an experienced Irish Dancer and have won many prizes in my age group over the years and have done up to Grade VIII in the National Irish Dancing Examinations held by An Choimisiún na Rince Gaelacha.
- I am also familiar with Jive, Ballroom and Set Dancing,

T.V. Experience:

- I took part in TG4's talent show 'Feis and Blood' (2011) with my family and came 2nd in our heat. We performed the Anuna Classic; 'Siúil a Rúin'
- I have also performed on RTE's 'An Cór' in March 2010 with Bray Youth Choir and we got to the Finals and came 2nd
- I have appeared on RTE's *New Year's Eve 2009/10* as part of a group of backing singers for one of the previous year's winners of the 'All Ireland Talent Show'
- My family and I were featured on R.T.E.'s *Nationwide* programme and T.V.3's *Morning* programme when we won the Feis Ceoil family competition for the third year in a row in 2013.
- I have also sung and appeared on a music video for the singer Pat Dam Smith in April 2010.

Competition Experience:

- Certificate of Excellence (90%+) at Arklow Music Festival 2002
- 1st Place at Arklow Music Festival 2004 in Under 14 Girls Solo
- 1st place 3 years in a row for recorder ensemble at Kilcoole Music Festival
- 3rd place at Kilcoole Music Festival in Adult Solo Singing competition in November 2009
- 2nd place in Kilcoole Music Festival 2010 in Adult Solo Singing competition
- 1st place at Arklow Music Festival 2010 for Under 18 Duet Competition
- 2nd place at Arklow Music Festival 2011 in Adult Thomas Moore Competition
- 1st place at Arklow Music Festival 2011 in the Open Duet Competition
- 1st place at Feis Ceoil Music Festival in the Open Family Ensemble competition in March 2011.
- 1st place in Trio Competition for singing at Arklow Festival 2012.

- 1st place at Feis Ceoil Music Festival in the Open Family Ensemble competition in March 2012 with a mark of 98.
- 1st place at Feis Ceoil Music Festival in the Open Family Ensemble competition in March 2013 with a mark of 94.
- A number of Highly Commended certificates in Feis Ceoil, Arklow, New Ross and Kilcoole.
- 1st in a chess competition in 2004
- A number of 1st, 2nd, 3rd, etc places in Irish Dancing feises in Ireland and abroad.

Examinations/Awards

Music Exams/Grades:

Piano:	Grade I – VI	Associated Board
	Grade VII – VIII	RIAM
Singing;	Level 2 – 4 Honours	RIAM Internal
	Grade 6 – Honours	RIAM External
Theory:	Grade V –	Associated Board
	Level III-V – Honours	RIAM Internal 2008-2010
	Grade VII	RIAM Local Centre 2010

I was awarded the Bronze and Silver Gaisce awards in 2008 and 2009.

Other Experience:

- I studied Singing at the Royal Irish Academy of Music with Virginia Kerr for four years and did internal exams at the end of each of those years.
- I study piano with my father who is a piano teacher and music teacher and I'm currently studying for my Senior Certificate Examination.
- I studied Singing with Deirdre Cooling–Nolan as part of my Degree course

- I am now studying Singing with Lynda Lee at the Royal Irish Academy of Music
- I also play Guitar, Recorder, Tin Whistle, Flute, Concertina and Banjo.
- I have taken Flute Masterclasses with James and Jeannie Galway in the National Concert Hall.

Hobbies and Interests:

I like Yoga, Meditation, Swimming, Archery, Horse-riding, Cycling, Canoeing, Rock-climbing, Water-skiing, Hill-walking, Set Dancing and Sean-nós Dancing.