

Lyric soprano Kelsey Marshaye Blanco holds degrees from New Mexico State University (BME) and Ohio University (MM). An active performer in both opera and musical theater, Kelsey has portrayed the title roles in Mozart's *Bastien und Bastienne* and Astor Piazzolla's *María de Buenos Aires* as well as performed in *Fiddler on the Roof* (Golde), *Ragtime* (Evelyn Nesbit), *The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee* (Rona Lisa Perretti), and the world premiere of *We Are Enron* (Susan Lucas). She has also been heard as a concert soloist with the Symphonic Band at Indiana University and Symphony Orchestra at Ohio University. Currently Kelsey resides in Murray, Kentucky where she maintains a private voice studio, and has recently added the title of music director to her resume in collaboration with Playhouse in the Park. When not singing or teaching she can be heard on 91.3 WKMS as the host for *All Things Considered* and *Marketplace*.