

Steven Aguiló-Arbues earned his professional studies certificate and master of music degree from the Manhattan School of Music in New York City. He has an active career as a conductor, chorus master, vocal coach, recitalist, and producer, and has performed as a solo and collaborative pianist throughout Spain, Italy, Peru and the United States, including Carnegie Hall in New York City. Aguiló-Arbues has had the privilege of studying under notable conducting pedagogues including Larry Rachleff (Rice University), David Efron (Indiana University), Edoardo Müller (Metropolitan Opera) and David Gilbert (New York Philharmonic). In 2016, he was chosen as an orchestral conducting fellow with the Miami Music Festival.

“Music has the power to engage the mind, stir the heart, and reinvigorate the soul, no matter your age,” Aguiló-Arbues said. “I feel privileged to make great music with the musicians of the VSA and have fun sharing it with the community.”

His love for opera has led him to work on over 70 productions throughout the United States and Italy. He has coached singers who have gone on to sing with opera companies around the world, including the Metropolitan Opera in New York City. Conducting engagements during the 2022/2023 season include concerts with Denver’s Inside the Orchestra, the Central City Opera, Boulder Opera, and Opera Fort Collins. Recent positions include artistic director and conductor for The Renaissance Project Choir (Boulder, CO), music director for Boulder Opera, and program/music director of studio artists at Sarasota Opera, and being appointed to artistic director of Opera Fort Collins.