

# *Curriculum Vitae*

## **DARYA SUKHOVA**

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## **DARYA SUKHOVA**

Darya Sukhova is a Russian folk singer, songwriter, composer, and visual artist who is from St. Petersburg. Born with cerebral palsy and partially blind, Darya was educated at the famous K.K. Grot Boarding School for the visually impaired and blind in St. Petersburg. During that time, she studied voice for a period of more than twelve years when she performed widely in competitions and music festivals throughout Russia and Europe. Darya completed her B.A. in Music, with minors in the Visual Arts and Theater at NYU Abu Dhabi. She plans to pursue a career in music that would allow her to bring together her interests in teaching, improvisation, song-writing, composition and contemporary performance, as well as sound and disability studies. Currently Darya conducts and assists sound healing workshops and voice training classes.

## **EDUCATION AND WORK EXPERIENCE**

### **February 18, 2023 - April 30, 2023**

Traineeship Program (TP) at SEDRA Foundation for Inclusion of Persons of Determination.

Conducting and assisting sound healing workshops and voice training classes.

### **June 1, 2022 - July 29, 2022**

Postgraduate Practical Training Course (PPTP)

“The Logic of Lullabies-Laments: A Comparative Study-Performance of Songs From Russian and East European Music Collections”

Supervisors: Dr. Gwyneth Bravo & Dr. Matthew Quayle

### **2022 - present**

Freelance: voice teacher, singer at PROFI.RU

### **2018 - 2022**

New York University Abu Dhabi Major: B.A. Music (Artistic Track) Minors: Visual Arts and Theater

“Voices of the Leningrad Siege: Histories and Testimonies as Soundscape and Songs”

Capstone Advisors: Gwyneth Bravo (advisor); Matthew Quayle (co-advisor)

### **2014 - 2015**

Colorado School for Deaf and Blind Colorado Springs, CO, USA Exchange student: FLEX Program

### **2004 - 2017**

K. Grot Boarding School for the Visually Impaired and Blind St. Petersburg, Russia

**2002 - 2017**

Children's Art House "Youth" St. Petersburg, Russia

## **AWARDS, HONORS AND PRIZES**

**2021**

- My musical compositions being used as part of the development of the NYUAD Theater Program annual production-The Water Station to be directed by Abhishek Majumdar (Abu Dhabi, UAE)

**2019**

- Best New Artist Award of Rooftop Rhythms festival (Abu Dhabi, UAE)

**2018**

- Certificate of gratitude for the contribution to the restoration of the Church of the Holy Apostle and Evangelist John the Theologian in the village of Anisimovo, Chagoda district, Vologda region (St. Petersburg, Russia)
- Gratitude for participation in the charity event for children with disabilities "The sun is inside everyone" (St. Petersburg, Russia)
- Certificate of honor for the professional and masterful performance of artistic concert numbers in the genre of vocal art of the 5th Anniversary Festival of Children, Youth and Youth Creativity "Russia is our sacred state" (St. Petersburg, Russia)
- Certificate for volunteering at 2018 Education USA Russia Winter Tour (St. Petersburg, Russia)
- Certificate of Education USA Russia Completion Competitive College Club (St. Petersburg, Russia)

**2017**

- Winner of the festival "Multinational Petersburg" (St. Petersburg, Russia)
- Grand Prix of the IV Festival - competition of children, youth and youth creativity "Russia is our sacred state" in the competition nomination "Vocal Art. (St. Petersburg, Russia)
- Certificate of participation in the open vocal competition "Soprano" (St. Petersburg, Russia)
- Audience Award of the open vocal competition of young performers "Soprano"(St. Petersburg, Russia)
- I Prize award of in the open vocal competition of young performers "Soprano"(St. Petersburg, Russia)
- Bing and Davis student art award (St. Petersburg, Russia)

**2016**

- I Prize award of the international creative festival-competition "You are a legend!" in the nomination: "Pop vocals (Senior group from 19 years old)" (St. Petersburg, Russia)
- I Prize award of the international creative festival-competition "You are a legend!" in the nomination: "Jazz singing (Senior group from 19 years old)" (St. Petersburg, Russia)
- Certificate of participation in the City Contest of Creatively Gifted People with Disabilities "Solar Circle" (St. Petersburg, Russia)
- Award for participation in the first open public-patriotic festival "Heroes of Our Time" (St. Petersburg, Russia)

- Award from the Academy of Film and Television "LIK" for participation in the filming process of the documentary "From Darkness to Light" (St. Petersburg, Russia)

## **2015**

- National Honor Society membership certificate (Colorado Springs, CO, USA)
- Black Forest League Art Exhibition award (Colorado Springs, CO, USA)
- United States Department of state successful completion of FLEX program. (Colorado Springs, CO, USA)
- Award of the winner of the XII regional festival of children's creativity "Our stars" competition "Seven notes" (St. Petersburg, Russia)
- Award for participation in the Gala Concert of the XII Regional Festival of Children's Creativity "Our Stars" (St. Petersburg, Russia)
- Award of the city festival "Creative Certificate"(St. Petersburg, Russia) 2014
- Certificate from Mobility international USA for participation in the MIUSA preparatory workshop for FLEX students (Colorado Springs, CO, USA)
- Award for participation in the charity concert "Children for Children" (St. Petersburg, Russia)
- I Prize award of the for the 1st place in the competition "Singing Youth"(St. Petersburg, Russia)
- Award for emotional performance in the "Singing Youth" competition (St. Petersburg, Russia)
- Bing and Davis student art award (St. Petersburg, Russia)

## **2014**

- Certificate from Mobility international USA for participation in the MIUSA preparatory workshop for FLEX students (Colorado Springs, CO, USA)
- Award for participation in the charity concert "Children for Children" (St. Petersburg, Russia)
- I Prize award of the for the 1st place in the competition "Singing Youth"(St. Petersburg, Russia)
- Award for emotional performance in the "Singing Youth" competition (St. Petersburg, Russia)
- Bing and Davis student art award (St. Petersburg, Russia)

## **2013**

- Certificate the participant of the competition-festival "Pride and Vocation" for performing skills (St. Petersburg, Russia)
- Bing and Davis student art awards (St. Petersburg, Russia)
- Award for participation in the district Easter festival (St. Petersburg, Russia) 2012
- I Prize award of the singing competition "Yunost Singing"(St. Petersburg, Russia)
- Award of the festival "Faith, Hope, Love" for high performance technique (St. Petersburg, Russia)
- I Prize award for the vocal competition "My Motherland"(St. Petersburg, Russia)
- Award of the festival of the "Rising Star" competition Nomination: Folk singing (St. Petersburg, Russia)

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## **2011**

- Award of the of the international competition "Under one sky" Nomination: Folk song. (St. Petersburg, Russia)
- Award for performance at the New Year's holiday for residents of a social home (St. Petersburg, Russia)
- II Prize award of the children's international competition "Teremok" (St. Petersburg, Russia)
- Certificate for active participation in the Teremok International Folk School (Helsinki, Finland)

## **2010**

- Certificate of the participation in "Rising Star" international television competition as a Pop vocalist (St. Petersburg, Russia)
- Certificate of participation in the district round of the regional competition of patriotic songs. (St. Petersburg, Russia)
- Award of the competition of vocalists "Singing Youth" (St. Petersburg, Russia)
- Award of the laureate of the festival "Creative Certificate" (St. Petersburg, Russia)
- Grand Prix in the competition of Folk songs "We are the future of Russia" (St. Petersburg, Russia)
- I Prize award of the festival "Fireworks of National Cultures" Nomination: Folk song (St. Petersburg, Russia)
- I Prize award of the for the vocal competition "7 Notes" (St. Petersburg, Russia)
- Award of the International Television Competition "Rising Star" (St. Petersburg, Russia)
- Award of the international competition "Under one Sky" Nomination: Folk Song Category (St. Petersburg, Russia)

## **2009**

- Award for the contribution to the development and preservation of national identity (St. Petersburg, Russia)
- II Prize award of the city pop competition "Towards the Morning Star" (St. Petersburg, Russia)
- Award from the children TV channel "Smile of a Child" (St. Petersburg, Russia)

## **2008**

- Grand Prix of the "Teremok" International Children Music Folk singing Competition (St. Petersburg, Russia)
- Certificate of participation in the open competition-festival of young vocalists "Musical Olympus" (St. Petersburg, Russia)
- Awarded the Order of the Charoite Star (St. Petersburg, Russia)
- Certificate of the international festival "Open Europe" (Baden-Baden, Berlin, Germany)

## **2007**

- Laureate of the "Nevsky Angel" prize (St. Petersburg, Russia)
- Award of the festival of children creativity "Angel of Hope" (St. Petersburg, Russia)
- I Prize Award of the "Rising Star" competition (St. Petersburg, Russia)
- I Prize Award of the nomination soloists in the "Musical Youth" competition (St. Petersburg, Russia)

- Certificate of the participation in the holiday dedicated to the Children's Day (St. Petersburg, Russia)
- Award for the best performance in the Folk open competition-festival of young vocalists (St. Petersburg, Russia)

## **2006**

- II Prize award of the children Pop competition-concert "Rising Star" (St. Petersburg, Russia)
- I Prize Award of the nomination singing competition "Singing Youth"(St. Petersburg, Russia)

## **2005**

- I Prize Award of the city children Pop competition "Towards the Morning Star" Nomination: Pop vocal up to 8 years old (St. Petersburg, Russia)
- Certificate of the participant of festival of artistic creativity of children with disabilities "Thanksgiving Day"(St. Petersburg, Russia)
- Certificate of the participant of the district stage of the city children competition-concert "Towards the Morning Star"(St. Petersburg, Russia)
- Award for active participation in events dedicated to the 60th anniversary of Victory in the World War II. (St. Petersburg, Russia)
- Certificate of the participant of the city children Pop competition-concert "Towards the Morning Star" (St. Petersburg, Russia)
- II Prize award of the 10th city children's pop competition "Towards the Morning Star" Nomination: Pop vocal (St. Petersburg, Russia)
- I Prize Award of the competition of young talents "Baltic Sparks" (St. Petersburg, Russia)

## **2004**

- II Prize award of the city pop competition "Towards the Morning Star" (St. Petersburg, Russia)
- I Prize award of the city pop competition "Towards the Morning Star" (St. Petersburg, Russia)
- I Prize Award of the competition of vocal ensembles and soloists of the festival of Folk art "Victory Salute" (St. Petersburg, Russia)

## **2003-2004**

- Certificate of the participant of the city children pop music competition "Towards the Morning Star". (St. Petersburg, Russia)

## **NYUAD-MUSIC RELATED COURSEWORK:**

- Music Theory & Analysis I - MUSIC-UH 1001 - 001
- Music: Histories and Culture - MUSIC-UH 1004 - 001
- Individual Music Instructions (Voice) - MUSIC-UH 1251 - 010
- War - CCOL-UH 1030 - 001
- Making Music - MUSIC-UH 1003 - 001
- Individual Instructions (Piano) - MUSIC-UH 2251 - 003
- What Is Music- CADT-UH 1024 - 001
- Music Technology Fundamentals - MUSIC-UH 1002 - 001
- Jazz Theory & Ear Training I - MPAJZ-UE 1039 - 001
- Popular Music Practicum - MPAME-UE 1423 - 001

- Intro Music Therapy - MPAMT-UE 1046 - 001
- Music Theory II - MUSIC-UA 202 - 001
- Anthropology of Music 2 - MUSIC-UH 2005 - 001
- Art of Song - MUSIC-UH 2210 - 001
- Music: Conflict, Protest, and Peace - CCEA-UH 1097 - 001
- Foundations of 3D - VISAR-UH 1012 - 001
- Creating Original Work - THEAT-UH 1111 - 001
- Making Theater - THEAT-UH 1010 - 001
- Foundations of Photography - VISAR-UH 1010 - 001
- Thinking Theater - THEAT-UH 1011 - 001
- Foundations of 2D - VISAR-UH 1011 - 001

## **ACADEMIC ADVISORS**

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