

MAS VOCAL

ACCOLADES



Background Vocals

American Music Awards; Latin Grammy's; Latin American Music Awards; La Voz; Premios Lo Nuestro

Summit of the Americas

Disney's Candlelight Processional

Gloria Estefan - CNN 4th in America Special

Univision's *Univisionarios* Award Ceremony

Legendary Sam Moore

Jennifer Lopez

Prince Royce

Anthony Nunziata

TV Series *Koati* (English and Spanish)

Featured Performances

[*Te Amo Mamá*](#) by Lenier ft. MAS Vocal

[ACDA National](#), Dallas, TX

[ACDA Southern](#), Louisville, KY

[ACDA Florida](#), Orlando, FL

[Jacob Collier DJESSE Vol. 4 World Tour](#)

Florida Music Educators Association

Ocean Drive Association Promenade Music Series

Legendary Sam Moore: Hall of Fame Induction and funeral

UM Honor Choir and Seraphic Fire Intensive @ FIU

Royal Caribbean Cruise Lines

Florida State Capitol

Adrienne Arsht Center, Miami, FL; New World Symphony Center, Miami, FL; Carnegie Hall, New York, NY; Meyerson Symphony Center and Winspear Opera House, TX



BE A BLESSING WHEREVER YOU GO

The MAS Vocal family consists of a united group of students, parents, alumni, teachers and administrators working toward the goal of building musical skills into performances that inspire our community, country and world. Directors [Ryan](#) and [Cindy Ellis](#) lead 7 vocal ensembles at Miami Arts Studio 6-12 at Zelda Glazer, a public performing arts magnet school located in western Miami-Dade County, Florida. Reflecting the community in which it is situated, the school is predominantly Hispanic, and provides a safe environment for self-expression using music from a variety of world cultures, religions and time periods. MAS Vocal has performed in numerous venues both locally and nationally. The ensemble has been featured at The Adrienne Arsht Center, New World Symphony Hall, Carnegie Hall in New York City and most recently the National American Choral Directors Association (ACDA) Conference in Dallas, TX.



Honors and Awards

Most Florida All-State Choir participants in the state of Florida 2019-present

Proclamation from MDCPS School Board - 2022

Cindy Ellis - GRAMMY Music Educator Award Semi-Finalist - 2025

Cindy Ellis - GRAMMY Music Educator Award Quarter-Finalist - 2026

Featured performances at Carnegie Hall - 2018, 2024

Straight Superiors at every District Music Performance Assessment 2017-present

Superior with Distinction at State Music Performance Assessment Evaluations - 2022-2024

Cindy Ellis - Florida Vocal Association Rising Star Award - 2022

Tours

Florida, Alabama, Maryland, Washington D.C., Virginia, New York, Dallas, Kentucky, Memphis

MAS Records, Inc.

Ryan Ellis is a creator and founding board member of a student led not-for-profit record label operating to connect creative students with industry professionals in order to compose, create, record, mix, master, release, and promote the original music of youth in MAS Vocal and all of Miami-Dade County.

National Student Recognitions

- Carnegie Hall Solo Debut: Gabriella Marquez, 2025
- YoungArts Jazz Voice Winner: Kaitlynn Abbott, 2025
- Downbeat Awards for Outstanding Jazz Vocal Performance: Vania Junco 2019; Jormilit Garcia, 2023
- YoungArts Jazz Voice Honorable Mention: Vania Junco, 2019

Student Scholarships

MAS Vocal students have earned millions of dollars in music scholarships to attend:

A Cappella Academy Camp Los Angeles, Berklee College of Music, Florida International University, Full Sail University, Litchfield Jazz Camp, Miami-Dade College, New York University, University of Miami, Stetson University, and Western Michigan University.

Beyond the Classroom

Each year, MAS Vocal provides dozens of performances throughout South Florida at churches, synagogues, senior centers, veterans memorials, community events, and charity fundraisers. These performances instill the value of service to the community.

Worldwide Media Impact

With over over 13 Million views and thousands of comments from people around the world across social medias, MAS Vocal's online presence allows students to share their talent worldwide:

- [Instagram](#) > 11K followers
- [TikTok](#) > 37K followers
- [YouTube](#) > 2.5K subscribers

MAS Vocal has been featured on WDNA 88.9FM Radio, Telemundo, Univision, Channel 7 News, Channel 4 News, NBC 6, and most recently [CNN's Art Is Life](#) segment with Victor Blackwell. Through MAS Records, Inc. MAS Vocal has a large catalogue of studio and live performances on all streaming platforms including [Spotify](#), [Apple Music](#), and [Amazon Music](#).

