

Curriculum Vitae

Leota Sigrid Boesen

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

President, Leota Sigrid Boesen, Inc.

The Woodlands, Texas | 1993–Present

Violinist and Violist, Trinity Klein Lutheran Church

Spring, Texas | 1994–Present

Adjunct Reference Librarian, Lone Star College–North Harris

Houston, Texas | 1993–2020

Professor of Strings, Lone Star College–North Harris

Houston, Texas | 1994–2002

Adjunct Reference Librarian, Lone Star College–Montgomery

Conroe, Texas | 1998–2002

Adjunct Reference Librarian, Lone Star College–Tomball

Tomball, Texas | 1993–1998

Substitute Teacher and Librarian, Conroe Independent School District

Conroe, Texas | 1990–1993

Computer Technical Writer, Indiana University

Bloomington, Indiana | 1989–1990

Reports and Survey Officer, Indiana University

Bloomington, Indiana | 1984–1989

*Information Specialist, Indiana University**

Bloomington, Indiana | 1979–1984

*Computer Consultant, Indiana State Library**

Bloomington, Indiana | 1983–1984

Reference Librarian in Education, Indiana University

Bloomington, Indiana | 1982–1983

Reference Librarian, Interlibrary Loan, Indiana University

Bloomington, Indiana | 1980–1982

Library Assistant, Vocational Education Services

Bloomington, Indiana | 1978–1980

Library Assistant, Modern Languages

Bloomington, Indiana | 1978–1980

Film Extra, *Breaking Away*

Bloomington, Indiana | August 1978

Violin Tutor

Greencastle, Indiana | 1973–1974

Library Assistant, DePauw University

Greencastle, Indiana | 1972–1973

Farm Worker, Boesen Dairy

Greencastle, Indiana | 1961–1978

Denotes concurrent part-time appointments.

EDUCATION**Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, Texas**

- Completed core courses toward the M.A. in Counseling and Licensed Professional Counselor requirements, 1994–1995.

Indiana University Bloomington

- Received the Master of Library Science in Music Librarianship in 1980.
- First person to complete the specialization in Music Librarianship.
- Featured in the *Indiana University SLIS Alumni News* in February 2003.

Smith College, Northampton, Massachusetts

- Received the B.A. in Music in May 1978.
- Named to the Dean's List, 1977–1978.
- Studied violin with Philipp Otto Naegele, one of the founders of the Marlboro Music Festival, 1974–1978.
- Violinist, Smith College Orchestra, 1974–1978.

- Violinist, Smith College Chamber Orchestra, 1975–1978.
- First Soprano, Alpha Choir, 1974–1975.
- First Soprano, Smith College Glee Club, 1976–1978.
- First Soprano, Smith College Chamber Singers, 1976–1977.
- First Soprano in the Smith College Glee Club recording *College Choirs at Christmas* for the Book-of-the-Month Club, February 1977.
- Performed Hector Berlioz's *Grande Messe des morts (Requiem)*, Op. 5 at Avery Fisher Hall, Lincoln Center, New York City, as a First Soprano with the Smith College Glee Club and choirs from Amherst College, Union College, and Columbia University, April 1977.
- Toured Europe with the Smith College Chamber Singers in June 1977.
- Competed in the International Koor Festival in The Hague, The Netherlands, with the Smith College Chamber Singers in June 1977. The choir won First Prize in the Female Youth Division, Second Prize in the Female Adult Division, and the Audience Award.
- Performed in concerts on stage, radio, and television in London, Geneva, The Hague, Paris, Amsterdam, Strasbourg, and at Chartres Cathedral in Chartres, France, June 1977.

PUBLICATIONS

- Boesen, Leota Sigrid. "A Choral Recording for the Ages." Smith College, "Little Love Stories" series. First installment in the series created in observance of Smith College's 150th anniversary.
<https://www.smith.edu/news-events/news/choral-recording-ages>
- Boesen, Leota Sigrid. "Cameras on School Buses a Great Idea." *Houston Chronicle*, April 10, 1992, p. 37A.
- Boesen, Leota Sigrid. "Financial Disadvantage." In "One's Company: Women Share the Highs and Lows of Living Single." *Smith Alumnae Quarterly*, Winter 1991/92, 83(1), pp. 16–17.
- Boesen, Leota Sigrid, and Sue Stager. "Planning for Student Computing." *SIGUCCS Newsletter*, Spring 1990, 20(1), pp. 27–35.

- Boesen, Leota Sigrid, and Eric J. Schlene. "IU School of Music Library." *University Computing Times*, March 1990, pp. 16–17.
- Boesen, Leota Sigrid. "Critics Not 'Bashers.'" *Herald-Times*, October 12, 1989, p. A12.
- Boesen, Leota Sigrid, and Margaret Londergan. "Starting Up." *University Computing Times*, September 1989, pp. 25–26.
- *Indiana University Fact Book 1988–89*. Edited and compiled by Leota Sigrid Boesen. Bloomington: Indiana University Printing Services, 1988.
- *Indiana University Fact Book 1987–88*. Edited and compiled by Leota Sigrid Boesen. Bloomington: Indiana University Printing Services, 1987.
- *Indiana University Fact Book 1986–87*. Edited and compiled by Leota Sigrid Boesen. Bloomington: Indiana University Printing Services, 1986.
- Boesen, Leota Sigrid. "PC Talk III: The Refinement of a Classic Software Package." *LinkUp: Online and Videotex for Business, Personal, and Educational Use*, December 1986, 3(11), p. 7+.
- Boesen, Leota Sigrid. "4-1-1: File Retrieval Package." *The Electronic Library: The International Journal for Minicomputer, Microcomputer, and Software Applications in Libraries*, July 1985, 3(4), pp. 170–171.
- *Indiana University Fact Book 1985–86*. Edited and compiled by Leota Sigrid Boesen. Bloomington: Indiana University Printing Services, 1985.
- Boesen, Leota Sigrid. "Making Communications Convenient." *Information Today*, September 1984, 1(9), p. 9+.
- *Indiana University Fact Book 1984–85*. Edited and compiled by Leota Sigrid Boesen. Bloomington: Indiana University Printing Services, 1984.
- Boesen, Leota Sigrid. "Will the Microcomputer Revolution Destroy Document Evolution?" *Proceedings, American Society for Information Science*, May 20–23, 1984.
- Boesen, Leota Sigrid, and Sara G. Laughlin. "The Information Connection Project: A Model Microcomputer System for Regional Library Networks." *Proceedings, American Society for Information Science*, May 20–23, 1984.
- Boesen, Leota Sigrid. "VES Library: The Information Connection." *Communique*, Spring 1984, no. 36, p. 1.

- Boesen, Leota Sigrid. "Software Listings and Review Sources." In Norman M. Singer, comp., *A Recap of the Sixth Nationwide Vocational Education Dissemination Conference: Disseminating for Tomorrow's Voc Ed.*, November 15–17, 1983. Columbus, Ohio: The Ohio State University, 1984, pp. 79–96.
- Boesen, Leota Sigrid, and JoAnn Brooks. "Vocational Education Services: A Microcosm of the Zeitgeist." *Indiana University Libraries: A Quarterly Journal*, 1981, 1(4), pp. 2–5.
- Boesen, Leota Sigrid. "Vocational Education Services." *InULA Quarterly*, 1981, 11(4), pp. 2–5.

SELECTED RECOGNITION

- Featured for pioneering work in teaching violin and viola online. *Smith Alumnae Quarterly*, Winter 2017–2018, p. 39.
Smith Alumnae Quarterly, Winter 2017–2018, p. 39
<https://saqonline.smith.edu/winter-2017-2018/page-39>
- Cited as a "renowned" teacher in former student Laura Callon's professional biography. "New Members: Laura Callon" *The Houston Musician*, Spring 2026, p. 10. Callon lists Leota Sigrid Boesen among the "renowned teachers" with whom she studied. <https://fliphtml5.com/nwazs/xafv/>
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PRESENTATIONS

- Boesen, Leota Sigrid. "Career Options for Renegade Librarians." Paper presented at the School of Library and Information Science, Indiana University, Bloomington, Indiana, March 1985.
- Boesen, Leota Sigrid. "Will the Microcomputer Revolution Destroy Document Evolution?" Paper presented at the 13th Mid-Year Meeting of the American Society for Information Science, Indiana University, Bloomington, Indiana, May 1984.
- Boesen, Leota Sigrid, and Sara G. Laughlin. "The Information Connection Project: A Model Microcomputer System for Regional Library Networks." Paper presented at the 13th Mid-Year Meeting of the American Society for Information Science, Indiana University, Bloomington, Indiana, May 1984.

- Boesen, Leota Sigrid. "Searching for Software Sources." Paper presented at the Sixth Nationwide Vocational Education Dissemination Conference, National Center for Research in Vocational Education, The Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio, November 1983.
- Boesen, Leota Sigrid. "Sex-Fair Teaching." Paper presented at the Indiana University School of Education Commission for Women, Bloomington, Indiana, February 1983.
- Boesen, Leota Sigrid. "Vocational Education Services and the Advent of Automation." Paper presented at the meeting of the Smith College Librarians' Organization, Northampton, Massachusetts, November 1982.

SPECIAL PERFORMANCES

- Violinist in the orchestra that performed for President George H. W. Bush during his visit to The John Cooper School, The Woodlands, Texas, May 1994.
- Violinist and violist with the Trinity Klein Lutheran Church Orchestra, Spring, Texas, for Christmas Eve and Easter services since 1995, including performances accompanying Lyle Lovett.
- Violist with the Trinity Klein Lutheran Church Orchestra, accompanying Lyle Lovett at "Tomball Praises Together," Salem Lutheran Church, Tomball, Texas, May 31, 2025.
- Violist with the Trinity Klein Lutheran Church Orchestra for the 150th anniversary celebration of Trinity Klein Lutheran Church, Spring, Texas, April 14, 2024.
- Violist in a string quartet accompanying Lyle Lovett at the Candlelight Service, Trinity Klein Lutheran Church, Spring, Texas, Christmas Eve 2016.
- Violinist with the Trinity Klein Lutheran Church Orchestra, accompanying Lyle Lovett at the dedication of the new church sanctuary, Spring, Texas, June 2008.
- Planned and performed reception music for the Senior Presentation of the National Charity League, The Woodlands, Texas, April 2004 and April 2005.
- Planned and performed music for the 10th anniversary celebration of Keller Williams Realty, The Woodlands, Texas, September 2002.
- Planned and performed music for the opening of Dr. W. David Brown's Sleep Disorder Clinic, The Woodlands, Texas, August 2001.

- Planned and performed music for the dedication of The White Stone Gallery, The Woodlands, Texas, December 2000.
- Planned and performed music for the dedication of the new Library and Administration Building at North Harris College, Houston, Texas, December 2000.
- Violinist with the Trinity Klein Lutheran Church Orchestra for the 125th anniversary celebration of Trinity Klein Lutheran Church, Spring, Texas.
- Planned and performed music for the 10th anniversary celebration of Tomball College, Tomball, Texas.
- Planned and performed music for fashion shows for Just Sara Boutique, The Woodlands, Texas, 1995 and 1996.
- Planned and performed a concert of love songs for Valentine's Day at Barnes & Noble, The Woodlands, Texas, 1997.
- Planned and performed music for numerous weddings and funerals since 1993.

PROFESSIONAL, MUSICAL, AND ALUMNAE SERVICE

The Woodlands Symphony Orchestra

- Violinist, 1993–1994.

Alumnae Association of Smith College

- Member, 30th, 35th, 40th, and 50th Reunion Committees, Class of 1978.
- Secretary, Class of 1978, 1993–1998, 2013–2018, and 2023–2028.
- Director-at-Large, Board of Directors, 1986–1989.
- Youngest alumna ever elected to serve on the Alumnae Association of Smith College Board of Directors.
- Member, Clubs Committee, 1986–1989.
- AASC Liaison, Smith College Trustee Medal Committee, 1987–1989.
- Candidates Chair for Bloomington and Southern Indiana, 1980–1990.

Community Chamber Music Association of Bloomington, Inc.

- Board of Directors, 1980–1982 and 1986–1987.

- Member, 1980–1990.
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EARLY FOUNDATIONS

Greencastle High School, Greencastle, Indiana

- Received High School Diploma in May 1974.
- Graduated Valedictorian.
- Named to the High Honor Roll, 1970–1974.
- Elected to the National Honor Society; member, 1972–1974.
- Received the Bartley Book Award.
- Received the Valedictorian Award.
- Elected to the 1974 Senior Class Hall of Fame as “Most Studious Girl.”
- Violinist, Greencastle High School Orchestra, 1970–1973.
- Studied violin privately with Patience Thompson Berg and Herman Clyde Berg, Professors of Violin at DePauw University, 1965–1974.
- Violinist, DePauw University Symphony, 1969–1974. Performed under guest conductors Aaron Copland, Howard Hanson, and Lukas Foss.
- Received scores of One on violin solos at the local Solo and Ensemble Contest hosted by DePauw University in January 1971, 1972, 1973, and 1974. Competed at the Indiana State Solo and Ensemble Contest, hosted by Butler University, in April 1973 and 1974.
- Violinist in pit orchestras for the Putnam County Playhouse, 1969–1974, conducted by Dan Hanna, Director of Bands at DePauw University. Productions included *Fiddler on the Roof*, *Mame*, *Hello, Dolly!*, *110 in the Shade*, *How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying*, *Peter Pan*, *The Wizard of Oz*, *The Music Man*, and *My Fair Lady*.
- Violin Tutor for young students in Patience Berg’s studio, 1973–1974.
- Served as a Page for Representative John Thomas in the Indiana State Legislature, 1970–1971 and 1972–1973.
- State Parliamentarian, Indiana Junior Classical League, 1971–1972.

- Secretary, Latin Club, 1971–1972; member, 1970–1974.
- President, Intercultural Studies Club, 1972–1973.
- Member, Thespians, 1970–1974. Portrayed Elizabeth Proctor in *The Crucible* in November 1973.
- Member, French Club, 1970–1974.
- Member, Spanish Club, 1973–1974.
- Soprano, St. Andrew's Episcopal Church Choir, 1973–1974.

Greencastle Junior High School, Greencastle, Indiana

- Named to the High Honor Roll, 1968–1970.
- Violinist, Greencastle Junior High School Orchestra, 1968–1970.
- Received the Rotary Award for Most Outstanding Female Student, May 1970.
- Student Council Representative, 1969–1970.
- Received drama, music, and writing awards, May 1970.
- Received scores of One on violin solos at the local Solo and Ensemble Contest hosted by DePauw University in 1969 and 1970.
- Named “Most Studious,” “Most Likely to Succeed,” “Most Musical,” and “Most Courteous” in the Greencastle Junior High Eighth-Grade Hall of Fame, May 1970.
- Received a Journalism Award, May 1969.
- Member and officer, Greencastle Junior High School Science Club, 1968–1970.
- Received First Place in the Science Fair in February 1970 for the project “Our Continents Through Geologic Time” and advanced to the Regional Junior High Science Fair at Indiana State University in Terre Haute.
- Received the DePauw University ROTC Award in February 1970 for the project “Our Continents Through Geologic Time.” The award included a trip to Wright-Patterson Air Force Base in Dayton, Ohio.
- Received Third Place in the Science Fair in February 1969 for the project “Continental Drift.”
- Portrayed Mrs. Otto Frank in a production of *The Diary of Anne Frank*, May 1970.

- Soprano, Greencastle Junior High School Choir, 1968–1970.