



Connecticut Conservatory, New Orleans Jazz

By Marie Sheahan Brown

From the Faubourg Tremé to The Hartt School performing arts conservatory at the University of Hartford in Connecticut; from orchestral concert halls to the sidewalk at Saint Peter and Royal Streets in the French Quarter; from cathedral weddings to classrooms around the country; from gigs on San Francisco piers to invitations from the nations of émigrés; from below the windows of the lady who makes disturbing-the-peace calls to the venues of four United States presidents—Doreen Ketchens's silver-and-black woodwind, and her enormous talent to play it, have led this New Orleans native on adventures far beyond the homemade-candy shop her mother owned on the street level of the old house where Doreen grew up.

Though raised in a musical milieu that many associate with jazz, Doreen began as a classical clarinetist—initially as a fifth grader in the school band—in order to escape a dreaded pop quiz.

Doreen says, “We were called in from recess, and the teacher announced a pop quiz in history

with eight questions. I usually sat in the middle of the class—not in the first row, because that's where the smart kids sit who always get called on; and not in the back, because the teacher might pick on them, too. But in the middle, I'd disappear. So, starting with the front row, the teacher began asking each student one of those eight questions. I was getting more and more nervous because I didn't know the answers. Maybe I spent too much time in class daydreaming, looking out the window. He got closer to me, and closer. . . . Suddenly, the principal announced over the PA system: ‘If anyone wants to join the school band, raise your hand now.’ So I raised my hand, and my teacher let me go! Joining the band in the first place was a God thing.”

In the band room, the music teacher showed a picture of how bands are arranged: clarinets and flutes in the front rows, brass and drums in the back rows. Usually, girls played flute or clarinet. “I loved the way the flute looked—gorgeous. But the girls in front of me started choosing that, and I didn't want to do what everyone else was doing. When the teacher got to me, I said, ‘I'd like to play clarinet.’”



She continues, “I feel so comfortable with the clarinet. We've had a relationship for many years.” At the time, the band used the *Learning Unlimited Band Series* by Art C. Jensen. “It's out of print now, but I loved it. It taught us how to read

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 Bid Date: March 12, 2019

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 MTA NYCT Contract No: S-48006
 Bid Date: March 26, 2019

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Replacement of Existing Substation Number 8 and Replacement of Existing Substation Number 14
 PANYNJ Contract Nos. PAT-773.216 and PAT-773.217
 Bid Date: March 28, 2019

PAT-773.216, Replacement of Existing Substation Number 8:
Description of Project: Located in Kearny, New Jersey (adjacent to Frank Rodgers Boulevard). Construct a new two-story steel-framed building for the new substation and related exterior stairs and platforms. Furnish, install, and commission two new heavy-duty traction power transformer/rectifier units and DC switchgear; SCADA system, SONET equipment, and security/access control. Furnish, install, an auxiliary power system, HVAC, plumbing/fire protection, fire alarm, and lighting systems, compressor plant, and sub-surface utilities from PSE&G manhole to the new substation. Perform all site work and obtain all permits. De-energize, decommission, and demolish the existing Substation Number 8.

PAT-773.217, Replacement of Existing Substation Number 14:
Description of Project: Located at the PATH Harrison Car Maintenance Facility in Harrison, New Jersey. Construct a new two-story steel-framed extension to the existing substation. Perform phased decommissioning and removal of existing substation equipment following the installation and commissioning of new replacement substation equipment. Furnish, install, and commission two new heavy-duty traction power transformer/rectifier units, SCADA system, SONET equipment, and security/access control. Furnish, install, and commission auxiliary power system, HVAC, plumbing/fire protection, fire alarm, and lighting systems. Furnish and install sub-surface utilities such as electric service, water, and storm water under active streets, sidewalks, and railroads. Perform all site work and obtain all necessary approvals and permits

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Line Structural Component Repair Program—Canarsie Line
 MTA NYCT Contract No. C-48719 (NYS MWBE, SDVOB)
 Bid Date: March 28, 2019

C-48719, Line Structural Component Repair Program—Canarsie Line (NYS MWBE, SDVOB):
Description of Project: This project is to repair the structural steel and concrete defects in the subway tunnel between First Avenue Station and Eighth Avenue Station in Manhattan. Additional station component repairs for Sixth Avenue Station, Canarsie Line, in the Borough of Manhattan are also included.

Many bidding opportunities available.

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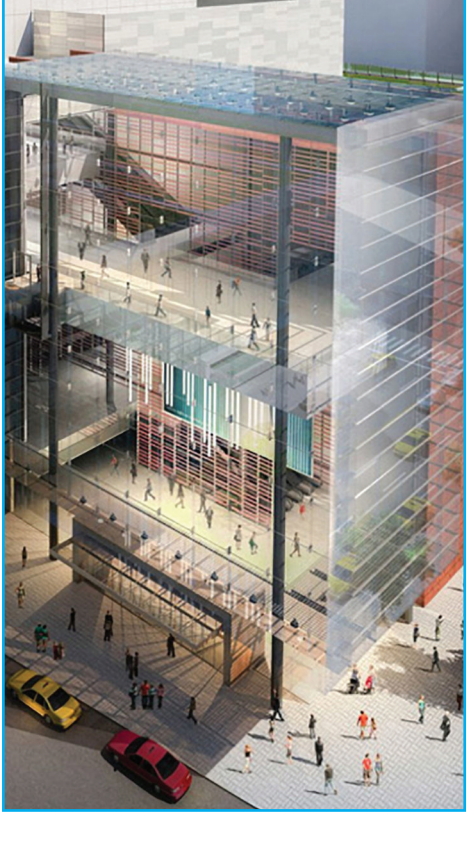
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ADA Sixth Avenue Canarsie Line
 MTA NYCT Contract No. A-37150A
 Bid Date: ON HOLD

Description of Project: Accessibility Upgrades at Sixth Avenue Station on the Canarsie Line (BMT) in the Borough of Manhattan—make the station accessible by complying with the 2010 Americans Disabilities Act Standards for Accessible Design, enhance customer experience at the station, make the station easier to navigate, and facilitate increased ridership on the NYCT System.

Bidding Opportunities: electrical work, communications work (CCTV, cameras, monitors, network, fire alarm), HVAC, plumbing, fire protection, elevators, structural steel, railings, asbestos abatement, acoustical tile ceilings, lighting, tile, masonry, glazing, stair treads, stainless steel doors, gypsum board, painting, concrete, rebar, station signage, dewatering, rodent control, abatement of bird droppings, dumpsters, office cleaning, progress photographs, engineer's office computers/equipment/furniture.

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Explore Small Business Administration Resources
 Wednesday, March 13, 2019, 11:00 am–1:00 pm
 Center for Women and Enterprise Eastern Massachusetts, 24 School Street, Suite 700, Boston, MA
 Main Sponsor(s): US Small Business Administration, Center for Women and Enterprise (CWE) Eastern Massachusetts
 Contact: Edwidge Lafleur, 617-532-0254, ELafleur@cweonline.org
 Fee: Free; registration required

This workshop is presented by a member of the local US Small Business Administration (SBA) team and is designed to help entrepreneurs understand the various SBA programs and services available to help them start or expand a business. Topics covered include: Technical Assistance Program; SBA Loan Guarantee Program; 8(a) Business Development Program; HUBZone (Historically Underutilized Business Zones) Program; Government Contracting Opportunities. CWE provides opportunities for women entrepreneurs and women in business to increase professional success, personal growth, and financial independence.

Five Most Important Questions That a Business Owner Should Be Able to Answer
 Tuesday, March 19, 2019, 6:00 pm–8:00 pm
 Derry Municipal Center, 14 Manning Street, Derry, NH
 Main Sponsor(s): SCORE Merrimack Valley
 Contact: Tony Ferreira, 603-432-6156, info199@scorevolunteer.org
 Fee: Free; registration required

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How to Do Business with the Federal Government and Marketing to the Federal Government
 Wednesday, March 20, 2019, 1:00 pm–4:00 pm
 Willingboro Public Library, 220 Willingboro Parkway, Willingboro Town Center, Willingboro, NJ
 Main Sponsor(s): US Small Business Administration, Willingboro Public Library
 Contact: Willingboro Public Library, 609-877-6668
 Fee: Free; registration required

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