Philadelphia native mezzo-soprano **Dr. Alexis Davis-Hazell** is an active performer and experienced teaching artist in the Southwest and on the international opera stage, having performed in upwards of seventy productions of forty-one different operas and musicals in six languages. Her performances have earned accolades for the size and quality of her instrument, and the dramatic intensity she brings to character.

Since 2008, Alexis has participated in more than one hundred and twenty performances of The Gershwins’ masterwork, *Porgy and Bess* with touring companies – produced on the eight-show per week musical theater-touring model. She has sung the roles of Maria, Lily and Strawberry Woman in Russia, Poland, Greece, Latvia, Estonia and Switzerland. Her experience with the same opera continued with debuts at Dresden SemperOper, Deutsche Oper am Rhein in Dusseldorf, Hamburgische Staatsoper, the Baden-Baden Festspielhaus, and the Palacio de Bellas Artes in Mexico City. Alexis appeared in the critically acclaimed productions of *Show Boat* and *Porgy and Bess* at San Francisco Opera – both of which were marketed internationally on DVD.

Dr. Davis-Hazell serves on the voice faculties at Grand Canyon University and Chandler-Gilbert Community College, teaching applied voice, class voice and music humanities courses. Alexis is also Creative Director of the innovative production company [Jazzoperetry](http://jazzoperetry.com/), Inc, co-founded with her husband – singer, composer and arranger, Earl Hazell. Dr. Davis-Hazell holds a Bachelor of Music (Hons.) degree in Vocal Performance from Temple University, a Master of Music degree and Doctor of Musical Arts degree in Vocal Performance from Arizona State University.