About Barbara…..

All of my work takes root in voice. As a voice coach I invite people to find their voices, whatever that means to them. My book, Full Voice: The Art and Practice of Vocal Presence, presents what I’ve learned from decades of “midwifing voices.” Since 2013 I have been training other Full Voice Coaches.

My singing keynotes explore themes of leadership, meaning, voice and community for people in a wide variety of professions: training, health care, law, education, nonprofits and industry. My twelve years as an organizational development consultant helps keep things real and relevant.

I’m also a singer/songwriter with eight CD’s of mostly original music. The lyric-rich songs tap into jazz, gospel and folk roots. My greatest joy is when people make use of the songs in their everyday lives and work.

In 2007 I founded the Morning Star Singers, a volunteer choir that sings for people facing illness, end of life, depression or grief.

And how I love inviting people to sing together! I carry thousands of nourishing community songs and am constantly inspired by how quickly a group of untrained strangers can create beauty and resonance together.

I live across the street from the Mississippi River in Minneapolis, Minnesota.