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Morey holds a Master of Music degree in horn performance and pedagogy from the University of Wisconsin-Madison where she studied with Douglas Hill; she earned a Bachelor of Music degree in vocal music education (with departmental distinction) from St. Olaf College where she studied horn with Priscilla McAfee and voice with Margaret Eaves-Smith, and was a member/soloist with the St. Olaf Choir, Band, and Orchestra. Morey also studied with Michael Gast, principal horn for the Minnesota Orchestra.

Morey has performed in numerous professional vocal and instrumental groups throughout the Twin Cities region, most notably the Minnesota Orchestra and the Dale Warland Singers, and she currently serves as the principal horn for Metropolitan Symphony Orchestra. She was a featured alumni soloist with the St. Olaf College Band (2013) and a faculty soloist with the Gustavus Wind Orchestra (2015) and the Gustavus Symphony Orchestra (2016).

Morey lives in Minneapolis with her husband, Nicholas Ellison, and three music-loving pets.