



Curriculum Vita

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EDUCATION

Master of Music in piano pedagogy
University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, 2001

Bachelor of Science in piano performance
Austin Peay State University, 1996

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- 2012 - instructor, Texas A&M University-Commerce
2010 - accompanist, Texas A&M University-Commerce
2010 - private piano instructor, Piano Academy at Texas A&M University-Commerce
2012 - 2013 ad-interim instructor, Texas A&M University-Commerce
2010 - 2012 adjunct instructor, Texas A&M University-Commerce
- 2006 - 2010 accompanist, University of Southern Mississippi
2007 - 2008 School of Music coordinator of graduate studies, University of Southern Mississippi
2006 - 2008 adjunct instructor of music (class piano), University of Southern Mississippi
- 2004 - 2006 adjunct instructor of music (theory, piano), Indiana State University
accompanist, Indiana State University
Musikgarten and private piano instructor, ISU Community Music Center
- 2000 - 2004 adjunct instructor of music (class piano), Millikin University
2000 - 2004 private and group piano instructor, MU Preparatory Department
2002 (fall) School of Music coordinator of class piano, Millikin University
- 2001 - 2006 Piano Laboratory Program coordinator, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign
1997 - 2006 private and group piano instructor, University of Illinois Piano Laboratory Program
Illinois Summer Youth Music camp piano instructor, University of Illinois
- 1992 - 1996 private and group piano instructor, Community School of the Arts at APSU

RESEARCH, SCHOLARSHIP, AND CREATIVE ACTIVITIES

Adjudication

2017 - present	Richardson Music Teachers Association piano festivals
2015	Grayson College Piano Competition
2012 - present	Rockwall Music Teachers Association piano festivals
2013	International Piano Performance Examination Committee, Taiwan
2011	Hubbard Chamber Music Festival, junior division
2011 – present	Plano Music Teachers Association piano festivals
2009	National Federation of Music Clubs - Hattiesburg, Mississippi
2006	MMTA pre-college auditions – Hattiesburg, Mississippi
2007	Mobile Music Teachers Association Sonata Contest – Mobile, Alabama
2005, 2006	Hoosier Auditions – Terre Haute, Indiana
2003, 2005	ISMGA Solo and Ensemble contest – Champaign, Illinois
2003, 2005	Conservatory of Central Illinois Ensemble Festival – Champaign, Illinois

Professional Memberships

National Guild of Piano Teachers

National Federation of Music Clubs

Music Teachers National Association

Nationally Certified Teacher of Music

2020 – present

Texas Music Teachers Association Board of Directors

2017 - 2020

Texas Music Teachers Association Collegiate Chapters Chair

2016

Winner of TAMUC Student Organization Activities Committee
Collegiate Chapter Advisor for the Year

2012 - present

Hunt County Music Teachers Association, treasurer

2012 – present

TAMU-C MTNA Collegiate Chapter, advisor

2007 - 2010

Mississippi Music Teachers Association, state certification chair

2007 - 2010

Hattiesburg Music Teachers League, vice president membership

2005 - 2006

University of Illinois MTNA student chapter, advisor

2002 - 2004

Decatur Area Music Teachers Association, president, vice pres.

Omicron Delta Kappa

Phi Kappa Phi

Pi Kappa Lambda

Secretary, University of Southern Mississippi

Gamma Beta Phi student chapter

Sigma Alpha Iota

2011 - present

Collegiate advisor, Texas A&M University-Commerce

2011 - 2020

Philanthropies, Inc., project director for graduate performance awards

2008 - 2010

Regional Officer

2003 – 2007

Province Officer

2003 - 2004

Collegiate advisor, Millikin University

Presentations and Festival Organization

Studio Teaching networking session moderator

MTNA Collegiate Chapters Piano Pedagogy Symposium, January 2020

The Complete Package: using musicianship skills to enhance the teaching of repertoire

TMTA State Conference, June 2019

Plano Music Teachers Association, January 2019

Grad School networking session moderator

MTNA Collegiate Chapters Piano Pedagogy Symposium, January 2019

Composer Festival, Hunt County Music Teachers Association

2019 Phillip Keveren

2018 Timothy Brown

2017 Dennis Alexander

2016 Mike Springer

2015 Jennifer Linn

2014 Mona Rejino

2013 Images in Music – various composers featured

Tau Beta Sigma's Women in Music series

2018 spring semester featured speaker

Duets: Pathways to Success

2013 Texas Music Teachers Association convention

Presentation with Luis Sanchez

Why So Many Piano Methods?

The Music Shoppe in Champaign, Illinois, 1999

The History of the Trumpet – accompanist

2008 Hattiesburg Music Teachers League meeting

The Morceaux de Concours of Jean Baptiste Laurent Arban – accompanist

2006 International Trumpet Guild conference

Student Presentations and Poster Sessions

Caging the Freed Bird: A look into Barbara Lister-Sink's technical approaches to performance practice
2020 MTNA Collegiate Chapter Piano Pedagogy Symposium
Presentation by the MTNA Collegiate Chapter

Why Bother With Preschoolers?
2019 Texas Music Teachers Association conference
Poster Presentation by Elaina Chrisman, graduate piano performance major

From Student to Successful Independent Piano Teacher in the Digital Age
2019 Texas Music Teachers Association conference
Poster Presentation by Abigail Pioquinto, piano pedagogy major

Castelnuovo-Tedesco's Little Mermaid and Other Intermediate Treasures
2019 Texas Music Teachers Association conference
Presentation by Elaina Chrisman, graduate piano performance major

Don't Let the Fire Die: Recovering from the Effects of Musician Burnout
2018 Texas Music Teachers Association conference
Poster Presentation by Emily Brooks, piano pedagogy major

Effective Practice Makes Permanent, Not Perfect
2018 Texas Music Teachers Association conference
Presentation by Abigail Pioquinto, piano pedagogy major

Comprehensive Musicianship in the Piano Studio
2018 Texas Music Teachers Association conference
Presentation by Giordi Frederick, piano performance major

Masterclasses: Dispelling Fear and Cultivating a Positive Learning Experience
2017 Texas Conference of Collegiate Chapters, TMTA conference
Presentation by Emily Brooks, piano pedagogy major

What was, What is, What is to Come: Class Piano in the Public Schools
2016 Texas Conference of Collegiate Chapters, TMTA conference
Presentation by Benjamin Daniel, piano pedagogy major

You Mean I Can Teach my Student Cage?
2016 Texas Conference of Collegiate Chapters, TMTA conference
Poster Presentation by Alex Shawver, piano pedagogy major

Performance

Collaborative recitals

The Society of Composers, Inc. – 2019 conference, 11 performances of solo and collaborative pieces
Astraios Chamber Ensemble – 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018
Staff of guest artists for the Texas Tuba/Euphonium Camp – summer 2017, 2018
Jens Lindemann, former trumpet Canadian Brass – Blast of Brass, summer 2018
Alan Baer, principal tuba, New York Philharmonic – spring 2018, University of Texas, Arlington
David Cooper, principal horn, Dallas Symphony Orchestra – spring 2018
Brian Walker, trumpet professor, Tarleton State University – spring 2018
International Trumpet Guild regional conference with Daniel Kelly, trumpet – spring 2018
Curso Internacional de Flautistas de Bauria Festival – Brazil, fall 2017
FlotFire summer camp competitors – summer 2017
Ryan Anthony, principal trumpet, Dallas Symphony – Blast of Brass, summer 2017
Jeff Nelsen (horn) – Blast of Brass summer 2016
Wiff Rudd (trumpet) – spring 2016, Southeastern Oklahoma University
Chris Combest (tuba) and Jeff Baker (tuba) – spring 2016, University of North Texas
Ryan Robinson (tuba) and John Allen (trombone) – fall 2015, University of North Texas
Daniel Kelly – fall 2015, Mu Phi Epsilon sponsored concert at the Dallas Public Library
Daniel Brady, trombone – Blast of Brass, summer 2014
Tarleton Brass Day – spring 2014
 Daniel Kelly (trumpet, Texas A&M University-Commerce),
 Wiff Rudd (trumpet, Baylor University), Gregory Hustis (horn, Dallas Symphony),
 Ed Jones (tuba, Fort Worth Symphony), Jeremy Moeller (trombone, Chicago Lyric Opera)
Daniel Kelly (trumpet) and Brian Zator (percussion) – spring 2014, Baylor University
Brian Walker, trumpet professor, Tarleton University – fall 2013
J. Taylor Hightower, voice professor, University of Southern Mississippi – fall 2013
Patrick Sheridan, tuba – Blast of Brass, summer 2013, 2017
Allen Rippe, saxophone professor, University of Memphis – spring 2013
Jeff Baker, tuba – fall 2012, University of North Texas
Andy Wen, saxophone, University of Arkansas – spring 2012
Steve Mead, euphonium – spring 2012, spring 2014
Lawrence Gwozdz, saxophone professor, University of Southern Mississippi – spring 2011
Thomas Hooten, principal trumpet, Atlanta Symphony Orchestra – spring 2010, University of Southern
 Mississippi and Loyola University
Daniel Kelly, trumpet – spring 2010, University of South Alabama, Florida State University, University of
 South Florida, University of Florida
Darcy Bishop, principal trumpet, Mississippi Symphony Orchestra – fall 2009
Daniel Kelly, trumpet – spring 2009, Mississippi State University, Pearl River Community College
Brian Shaw, trumpet professor, Louisiana State University – spring 2009
Adam Frey, euphonium – fall 2006

Doppio Movimento Piano Duo performances

Collin College, Southwestern Assemblies of God University, Steinway Hall Plano – fall 2018
Henderson State University, fall 2015
Texas A&M Wind Ensemble – fall 2013, fall 2016
Concerts – 2011, 2012, 2015, 2016, 2018