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EDUCATION

Bachelor's Degree in Music Education - (Vocal P-12 Certification)

Morehead State University

2013-2022

Master's Degree in Music Education - (Pending Completion)

Ohio University

2025 - Present

CERTIFICATIONS

Ohio State Board of Education

2 Year Resident Educator Multi-age (P-12) License, Music

Kentucky Education Professional Standards Board

Professional Certificate for Teaching Music, All Grades, Rank III

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Vocal Music Director

Portsmouth West Middle/High School

- Director of Choirs

August 2025 - Present

Director of Choirs / Director of Family Ministries

First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), Ashland, KY 41101

- FCC (DoC) Chancel and Handbell Choir Program
- FCC (DoC) K-12 Programming

October, 2023 - Present

Director of Choirs

West Carter High School

- Director of Choirs
- Assistant Band Director

August, 2016 - May, 2018

PRIVATE INSTRUCTORS

Piano: Dr. Roosevelt Escalante Jr. (Jazz Keyboard), Jr., Morehead State University

Voice: Dr. Eric Brown (Private Applied Voice), Morehead State University; Dr. Greg Detweiler (Choral Singing), Morehead State University; Dr. Roma Prindle, Morehead State University (Private Voice, Vocal Pedagogy);

Choral Conducting: Dr. Greg Detweiler (Undergraduate Choral Conducting), Morehead State University; Dr. Roosevelt Escalante, Jr. (Undergraduate Choral Methods and Materials), Morehead State University; Dr. Christopher Aaspas (KY ACDA Clinic), Texas Christian University; Dr. Peter Haley (Graduate Advanced Conducting); Ohio University, Dr. Peter Haley (Graduate Choral Methods and Materials), Ohio University

RECITALS

BME Capstone Recital, Morehead State University

- "Alles fühlt der Liebe Freuen" from *Die Zauberflöte* - W.A. Mozart (1756-1791)
- An Den Tod - Franz Schubert (1797-1828)
- An Die Musik - Franz Schubert (1797-1828)
- April Elegy - John Duke (1899-1984)
- Automne - Gabriel Fauré (1845-1924)
- The Longer I Live from *Dracula: The Musical* - Frank Wildhorn (b. 1958)
- Now Sleeps the Crimson Petal - Roger Quilter (1877-1953)
- O del mio amato ben... from *36 Arie di Stile Antico* - Stefano Donaudy (1879-1925)
- Spirate pur Spirate from *36 Arie di Stile Antico* - Stefano Donaudy (1879-1925)

ACCOMPANIMENT EXPERIENCE

Montgomery County High School

- The Addams Family Musical
- Newsies

April, 2018

April, 2019

Boyd County Middle School

- 2021 Winter Choir Concert
- 2021 Spring Choir Concert
- 2022 Winter Choir Concert
- 2022 Spring Choir Concert
- 2023 Winter Choir Concert
- 2023 Spring Choir Concert
- 2024 Winter Choir Concert
- 2025 Spring Concert

Boyd County High School

- 2022 Winter Choir Concert Selections
- 2022 Winter Band Concert Selections

VOCAL EXPERIENCE

- "Alles fühlt der Liebe Freuen" from *Die Zauberflöte* - W.A. Mozart (1756-1791)
- An Den Tod - Franz Schubert (1797-1828)
- An Die Musik - Franz Schubert (1797-1828)
- April Elegy - John Duke (1899-1984)
- Automne - Gabriel Fauré (1845-1924)
- Ave Maria - Franz Schubert (1797-1828)
- Hermit Songs, Op. 29 - No. 5 "The Crucifixion" - Samuel Barber (1910-1981)
- Reduction of *Elijah* - Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)
- The Longer I Live from *Dracula: The Musical* - Frank Wildhorn (b. 1958)
- The Lord's Prayer - Donald P. Hustad (1918-2013)
- He Never Failed Me Yet - Robert Ray (b. 1946)
- He That Keepeth Israel - Adolphe Schlosser (1830-1913)
- Now Sleeps the Crimson Petal - Roger Quilter (1877-1953)
- O del mio amato ben... from *36 Arie di Stile Antico* - Stefano Donaudy (1879-1925)
- Spirate pur Spirate from *36 Arie di Stile Antico* - Stefano Donaudy (1879-1925)
- Three Shakespeare Songs - Roger Quilter (1877-1953)

CONDUCTING EXPERIENCE

- Ave Verum Corpus - W.A. Mozart (1756-1791)
- Awake, My Soul - Elaine Hagenberg (b. 1979)
- City Called Heaven - Josephine Poelinitz (b. 1942)
- Cast Thy Burden Upon the Lord from *Elijah* - Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)
- Esto Les Digo - Kinley Lange (b. 1950)
- For the Beauty of the Earth - John Rutter (b. 1945)
- Heilig ist der Herr from *German Mass D.872* - Franz Schubert (1797-1828)
- Give Me Jesus - Trevor Manor (b. 1985)
- Glow - Eric Whitacre (b. 1970)
- He Never Failed Me Yet - Robert Ray (b. 1946)
- If Ye Love Me - Thomas Tallis (1505-1585)
- Il bianco e dolce cigno - Jacques Arcadelt (1507-1568)
- Let Me Ride - Rollo Dillworth (b. 1970)
- Life Every Voice and Sing - Rollo Dillworth (b. 1970)
- Lully, Lulla, Lullay - Philip Stopford (b. 1977)

CONDUCTING EXPERIENCE (CONT'D)

- *Messiah, A Sacred Oratorio* - G.F. Handel (1685-1759)
 - No. 1 - Sinfony (Overture)
 - No. 2 - Comfort ye my people
 - No. 3 - Ev'ry valley shall be exalted
 - No. 4 - And the glory of the Lord
 - No. 8 - Behold, a virgin shall concieve
 - No. 9 - O thou that tellest good tidings to Zion
 - No. 10 - For behold, darkness shall cover the earth
 - No. 11 - The people that walked in darkness
 - No. 13 - Pifa ("Pastoral Symphony")
 - No. 44 - Hallelujah
 - No. 53 - Worthy is the Lamb that was slain
- O God Beyond All Praising - David Schwoebel (b. 1957)
- O Love - Elaine Hagenberg (b. 1979)
- The Work of Christmas - Dan Forrest (b. 1978)

STAGE EXPERIENCE

- MSU Opera Works - Frederick Eggerman in *A Little Night Music* by Stephen Sondheim
- MSU Opera Works - Ensemble in *Die Zauberflöte* by W.A. Mozart
- MSU Opera Works - Modern Major-General in *Pirates of Penzance* by Gilbert and Sullivan
- MSU Concert Choir and Chamber Singers - 8 Madrigal Dinner Show Productions

CLINICIAN EXPERIENCE

- 2025 Wayne County All-County High School Choir March, 2025
 - Dies Irae - Ryan Main (b. 1984)
 - Amani - Audrey Snyder (b. 1953)
 - Lakeside Lullaby - Jacob Narverud (b. 1986)
 - I'll Tell My Ma - Greg Gilpin (b. 1964)
 - Tide Rises - Kirby Shaw (b. 1941)

MEMBERSHIPS

- Association of Disciples Musicians (ADM)
- American Choral Directors Association (ACDA)
- Huntington Symphony Orchestra
- Kentucky Music Educators Association (KMEA)
- National Association for Music Educators
- National Association of Teachers of Singing
- Ohio Music Educator's Association (OMEA)
- Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia (Theta Pi Chapter)

AWARDS

- Commonwealth of Kentucky House of Representatives Citation
 - *For excellence in performing at the Vatican in Vatican City, Italy and at the U.S. Embassy in Rome, Italy.*
- Gold Diploma
 - *Musica Eterna Roma Choral Competition, Rome, Italy*
- First Place Ensemble Award
 - *Mayo International Choral Festival, Dublin, Ireland*