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EDUCATION

Doctor of Education, Expected 2024

Southern AR University, Magnolia, AR

Field of Study: Rural and Diverse Higher Education and Community Leadership

Research topics:

- Women's representation in higher education music curricula
- Retention of first-generation college students in higher ed music programs

Master of Music, 2008

Longy School of Music, Cambridge, MA

Field of Study: Flute Performance

Thesis Project:

- Lecture performances for assisted living facilities, presenting parallels between a painting and a piece of the standard flute repertoire from each era of music history beginning with the Baroque

Bachelor of Arts, magna cum laude, 2005

AR Tech University, Russellville, AR

Field of Study: Music

Secondary Fields of Study: English, Spanish

Additional Coursework:

Master of Liberal Arts program, 2005-2006

AR Tech University, Russellville, AR

Field of Study: English

TEACHING EXPERIENCE: MUSIC

University of Arkansas-Fort Smith

Senior Instructor of Music
Instructor of Music
Visiting Instructor of Music
Adjunct Instructor of Music

Fort Smith, AR

August 2020-present
August 2016-July 2020
August 2014-July 2016
August 2008-July 2014

Courses taught:

Current

Flute Studio

Form and Analysis

Woodwind Methods (flute, double reeds)

Ear Training

Flute Choir

Film Music (developed course and curricula)

Past

Honors Capstone

Recital Attendance

Instrumental Concepts for Vocalists

Academy of the Arts at University of Arkansas-Fort Smith

Fort Smith, AR

Instructor of Flute, Director (and Founder) of Flute Choirs

August 2008-May 2013

Directed flute ensemble and taught private flute lessons to middle school through high school aged students, most of whom were enrolled as a part of a scholarship program for economically disadvantaged students.

University of Arkansas-Fort Smith Band Camps

Fort Smith, AR

Flute Instructor

July 2008-present

I lead masterclasses and sectionals, provide private instruction, and direct the flute ensemble for the annual junior high and high school summer camps.

Arkansas Tech Band Camps

Russellville, AR

Flute instructor

July 2007

I led sectionals for the 4th and 7th bands and taught private lessons.

Private Flute Studio

Fort Smith, AR

Flute and Piccolo instruction

June 2008-present

I maintain a studio of between 15 and 25 junior high and high school students, teaching weekly private lessons.

Flute Instruction in Secondary Schools

Fort Smith Public Schools, 2009-present

Individual and group lessons at Darby JH, Kimmons JH, Northside HS, and Southside HS.

Alma Public Schools, 2011-2019

Private lessons for high school flutists, group lessons for junior high flutists

Springdale Public School, 2017-present

Sectionals, private lessons, and a beginning flute class for several campuses

Cedarville Public Schools 2008-2012

Private lessons for their top three students

Van Buren Public Schools 2008-2012

Taught the 7th, 8th, and 9th grade flute classes, each once weekly at Coleman and Butterfield Junior High Schools; taught beginning flute classes once weekly at both Northridge and Central Middle Schools.

Hackett Public Schools 2008-2011

Individual flute instruction

Spiro Public Schools (Oklahoma) 2008-2010

Individual flute instruction

Muldrow Public Schools (Oklahoma) 2008-2010

Individual flute instruction

TEACHING EXPERIENCE: OTHER

Arkansas Tech University

Graduate Assistant in English

Russellville, AR

August 2005-May 2006

Courses Taught:

Freshman Foundational English Composition

Writing Lab

KAPLAN PREMIER GREATER BOSTON

Private tutor

Waltham, MA

September 2006-May 2008

Provided in home private tutoring to high school and college students in math, verbal, and writing competencies for ACT, SAT, GRE, and a selection of private high school entrance exams.

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

University of Arkansas-Fort Smith Flute Day

Fort Smith, AR

Annually, 2013-present

- I arrange promotional materials and registration forms, visit school to distribute these materials, rehearse and direct a mass flute choir for all participants, direct the UAFS Flute Choir in two mini-performances throughout the day, give a masterclass on all region/state materials, arrange for a guest artist/teacher, and perform in the evening concert for this annual event. Attendance ranges from 40 to 100 high school and junior high students and band directors. An average of 15 districts are represented at the event each year including River Valley, NWA, and Central Arkansas schools. In November of 2020, I pivoted the format to virtual and arranged the logistical changes. In 2021, we returned to an in-person event with 50 in attendance.

Flute Clinics for Recruitment and Service to the Community

- Virtual Clinician for Region VI High School All Region Flutes, 2021
- Created a series of free All Region etude tutorial videos due to the pandemic limiting in person visits in 2020
- In school performances and clinics:
 - 2021: Rogers Heritage HS, Van Buren Freshman Academy, Ramsey JH, Chaffin JH, Springdale HS, Central MS, George JH, Sonora MS, Lakeside JH, Alma HS
 - 2020: Ozark HS, Paris HS
 - 2019: in school performances and clinics Pea Ridge HS, Mills University Studies HS (hosting clinic w/ participants from Maumelle, Jacksonville, Robinson, Bryant, and Central HS), Alma HS, Northside HS
 - 2018: Pea Ridge HS, Mills University Studies, Southside HS Fort Smith, Ramsey Junior High, Darby Junior High, Northside HS, Muldrow HS, and DeQueen HS
 - 2017: Bryant High School, Pea Ridge High School, Maumelle High School, Mills University Studies, Prescott High School, Springdale High School, Springdale Harbor High School, Bentonville High School, Fayetteville High School, Van Buren High School, Charleston High School, Green Forest High School
 - 2016: Booneville, Bentonville, Springdale, Charleston, Lincoln, and Cedarville Schools,
 - 2015: Van Buren High School, Van Buren Freshman Academy, Ozark High School, Decatur High School, Rogers Heritage High School, Greenland High School, Green Forest High School, Rogers High School, Charleston High School, Greenwood High School, Trinity Junior High School, Bauxite High School, North Pulaski High School, and Jacksonville Middle School
 - 2014: Woodwind Day clinic at Bauxite High School and Charleston High School

College and University Committees/Panels

- Search Committee for Assistant Professor of Percussion, 2022
- Search Committee for Visiting Assistant Professor of Percussion, 202z
- Search Committee for Head of Department of Music and Theatre, 2020, 2022
- Faculty Judging Panel for University Writing Contest 2021
- Faculty Judging Panel for UAFS Idol (non-departmental event) 2018
- Music Department Recruiting Committee 2018-present
- Music Department Website Committee 2017-present
- Faculty Representative on the University Academic Advising Council 2018-2020
- Faculty Representative on the Title IX Board 2016-present

Social Media

- Creator and curator of Instagram and Facebook pages for UAFS Flutes
- Curator of UAFS Music pages for Instagram and Facebook

Conference Tabling

- OKMEA booth, 2015-2016, 2019, 2022
- Arkansas All State booth, 2008-2020, 2022
- Greenwood High School College Fair, 2015

- University Preview Days, 2015, 2017, 2018
- Northside High School College Fair, 2014, 2017

PERFORMANCES AND PRESENTATIONS

Orchestral:

- Substitute Flute, Symphony of Northwest Arkansas (SONA), Fayetteville, AR, 2021-present
- Section Flute/Piccolo, Fort Smith Symphony, Fort Smith, AR, 2009-2019
- Assistant Principal Flute, Lowell House Opera Orchestra at Harvard, Cambridge, MA 2006-2008
- Flute/Piccolo, Fort Smith Chorale Orchestra, Fort Smith, AR, 2003, 2008-present
- Principal Flute, Longy Chamber Orchestra, Cambridge, MA, 2006-2008
- Principal Flute, River Valley Chorale Orchestra, Russellville, AR, 2004-2006

Soloist:

- “Our Mothers Before Us, Our Sisters With Us,” a recital of duo flute literature by women
 - Guest Artist at Henderson State University, Arkadelphia, AR, 2021
 - Guest Artist at University of Memphis, Memphis, TN, 2021
 - University of Arkansas-Fort Smith, Fort Smith, AR, 2021
 - Mid-Atlantic Flute Convention, Washington DC, (accepted for performance January 2022, convention cancelled due to covid surge and performance rescheduled for 2023)
 - College Music Society South Central Regional Conference, Ada, Ok, 2022
- Guest Artist Recital, Hendrix College, Conway, AR, 2022
- Annual Flute Day Recitals, UAFS, 2013-2022
- Annual Faculty Flute Recitals, UAFS, 2008-2022
- Biannual Faculty Showcase Recitals, UAFS, 2008-2022
- Music by Women Festival, “Be Still My Soul,” Columbus, MS, 2019
- The Midwest Band and Orchestra Clinic, “Night Soliloquy,” Chicago, IL, 2019
- Mockingbird Quartet Recitals:
 - First Presbyterian Church, Little Rock, AR, April 2019
 - Harding University, Searcy, AR, April 2019
 - Henderson University, Arkadelphia, AR March 2019
 - Guest Artists with Little Rock Wind Symphony, Little Rock, AR, October 2018
 - Mary McDonald series, Fort Smith, AR, February 2019
 - Arkadelphia Chamber Players, Arkadelphia, AR, biannually, 2018-2020
- Flute and Percussion Faculty Recital Beneath the Canopy with Tommy Dobbs, University of Arkansas-Fort Smith, January 2017
- Flute Duo Recital with Jennifer Amox, Henderson State University Flute Day, March 2017
- Collaborative Piano recital with Alice Sanders, Keyboard Wellness Seminar, University of North Texas, Denton, TX, July 2016
- “Momento Mei” by Douglas Buchanan, College Music Society Regional Conference, UAFS, 2014
- “Insurmountable” by Keith Kramer, College Music Society Regional Conference, UAFS 2014
- “Snacks” by Charles Booker, College Music Society Regional Conference, Ada, Oklahoma, 2012
- Distinguished Artist Series Recitalist, Fort Smith, AR, April 2010

Works Premiered/Commissions:

- Commission with Mockingbird Quartet:
 - Charles L. Booker “Five Latin Dances for Flute Quartet and Piano,” 2020
- Premieres:
 - Charles L. Booker, In the Forest for Flute and Piano, Fort Smith, AR, 2013
 - Charles L. Booker, Snacks for Flute, Clarinet, Bassoon and Piano, Fort Smith, AR, 2011
 - Brian John, Musings for Flute and Piano, Fort Smith, AR 2010
 - Joshua Reed, Kairos for Flute and Piano, Fort Smith, AR, 2010
 - Joshua Reed, Concerto for Flute and Winds, Fort Smith and Conway, AR, 2009
 - Brian John, Masquerade Waltz, Cambridge, MA 2007

Flute Choir:

- National Flute Association Professional Flute Choir, Salt Lake City, UT, August 2019
- National Flute Association Professional Flute Choir, Orlando, FL, August 2018
- National Flute Association Professional Flute Choir, Minneapolis, MN, August 2017
- National Flute Association Professional Flute Choir, San Diego, CA, August 2016
- National Flute Association Professional Flute Choir, Charlotte, NC, August 2011

Conducting:

- The Midwest Band and Orchestra Clinic, Southside HS Flute Choir, Chicago, 2019
- Arkansas Flutes at Arkansas Bandmaster’s Association, 2014-2019
- UAFS Flute Choir Concerts, twice yearly, 2014-present
- UAFS Flute Choir in Chamber Ensembles Concerts, November and April, 2012-2015
- UAFS Flute Choir annual school tours, 2014-2019, 2021
- Mass Flute choir at UAFS Flute Days, 2013-2022
- UAFS Flute Choir, Henderson State University Flute Day, March 2016
- UAFS Flute Choir, First Lady’s Luncheon, UAFS, October 2015
- Mass Flute choir at Charleston High School Flute Day, November 2014
- UAFS Flute Choir at Drennan-Scott open house, November 2014
- Academy of the Arts Flute Choirs in Concert, December and May, 2010-2013

ADJUDICATION:

Arkansas Intercollegiate Band, 2017-2019
Region VIII Junior High All Region Band Auditions 2009-2020
Region VIII High School All Region Band Auditions 2009-2021
Region VI Solo and Ensemble 2017
Region VIII Solo and Ensemble 2010-2017
Oklahoma State Solo and Ensemble 2014

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT:

Music by Women Festival, Columbus, MS, 2020
Arkansas All State Music Conference, Hot Springs, AR, 2008-2020, 2022

Panoramic Flutist, Boulder, CO, 2016

National Flute Association National Convention 2011, 2016-2021

Arkansas Bandmaster Association Convention 2010-2019, 2021

Midwest Band and Orchestra Clinics, Chicago, 2011, 2014, 2015, 2019

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS:

National Flute Association (NFA)

Arkansas School Band and Orchestra Association (ASBOA)

Sigma Alpha Iota International Music Fraternity (SAI)

- Vice President of Ritual, 2021-2022

Music Teachers' National Association (MTNA)

College Music Society (CMS)

HONORS AND AWARDS:

Winner, National Flute Association Professional Flute Choir Competition, 2011, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019

Merit Scholarship, Longy School of Music, 2006-2008

Chancellor's Scholarship, Arkansas Tech University, 2001-2005

Music Scholarship, Arkansas Tech University, 2001-2005

Governor's Distinguished Scholarship, 2001-2005

National Merit Scholar