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Curriculum Vitae

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EDUCATION

- 2017 DMA Trombone Performance
University of Cincinnati College-Conservatory of Music
Cognate: Arts Administration
Major Professors: Timothy Anderson and Peter Norton
- 2014 Mmus Getuigschrift Bass Trombone Performance
ArtEZ Hogeschool voor de Kunst (Enschede, the Netherlands)
Performance Internship with Nederlandse Symphony Orchestra
- 2010 MM Trombone Performance
University of Cincinnati College-Conservatory of Music
- 2008 BM with Emphasis in Education
University of South Carolina
Certificate in Performance

PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

- 2018 Visiting Assistant Professor of Music – Trombone
Morehead State University
- 2017 Instructor of Trombone
University of Cincinnati College-Conservatory of Music

PERFORMANCE EXPERIENCE

Sponsorships

- 2014 Lättsch Custom Brass (Bremen, Germany)
2014 Monster Oil (New London, Connecticut)

Solo Appearances with Ensembles

- 2019 *Baldwin High School (Long Island, NY)*
Fuchs Bass Trombone Concerto
- 2019 *American Trombone Workshop*
Featured Soloist with US Army Band
Fuchs Bass Trombone Concerto

- 2019 *University of Cincinnati Wind Orchestra*
Premiere: Fuchs Bass Trombone Concerto
- 2016 University of Cincinnati Brass Choir
- 2016 National Sawdust (Brooklyn, NY)
Premiere: The Wild Called Maxx
Ensemble: Curiosity Cabinet
- 2014 Wilhelmina Muziekvereniging Glanerburg (Enschede, the Netherlands)
- 2012 Bemidji Community Trombone Choir
- 2011 Rocky Mountain Brassworks Brass Band

Orchestral Experience

- 2018 – Present Cave Run Symphony Orchestra
- 2015 – 2018 Dayton Performing Arts Alliances (Dayton Philharmonic)
- 2017 – 2018 Kentucky Symphony Orchestra
- 2017 Akron Symphony Orchestra
- 2016 Cincinnati Opera
- 2016 Carmel Symphony Orchestra
- 2014 Bergen Filharmoniske Orkester, Norway
- 2012 – 2014 Nederlandse Symphony Orchestra
Performance Internship
- 2011 Colorado Symphony Orchestra – Substitute Audition Winner
- 2010 – 2012 New World Symphony Orchestra – Semi-Finalist

Guest Recitals

- 2018 Morehead State University Faculty Recital
- 2018 International Trombone Festival
University of Iowa
- 2018 Wright State University
- 2018 University of Louisville
- 2017 Eastern Kentucky University
- 2016 International Horn Symposium
Ithaca College
- 2014 James Madison University
- 2014 Mars Hill University
- 2014 Virginia Commonwealth University
- 2014 New York University
- 2014 Brooklyn College
- 2014 Manhattan School of Music
- 2012 Bemidji State University

Festival Appearances

- 2013 Alessi Seminar Fellow, University of Alabama
- 2012 Pierre Monteux School, Hancock, Maine
- 2011 Lätzsch Trombone Festival, Germany
- 2011 Aspen Music Festival and School
- 2010 Aspen Music Festival and School
- 2009 Pierre Monteux School, Hancock, Maine

Discography

- 2015 Wallin, Rolf. *Many Worlds*. Bergen Philharmonic Orchestra. Conducted by John Storgårds, soloist Håkan Hardenberger. Ondine 5074. 2015, compact disc.
- 2014 Taylor, Dave. *The Sounds After the Oil War*. Low Brass Connection. Conducted by Whitney George. 2015, compact disc.
- 2014 Breen, Yoshi. *I Call You Honey*. Sunday Sun. *We Let Go*. The Missing Sync, Amsterdam VVNL26472. 2014, compact disc.

Published Arrangements

- 2011 Avant de Quitter ces Liueux *from* Gounod's Faust: Infinitude Publications
- 2012 Awake the Harp *from* Haydn's Creation: Infinitude Publications

Invited Lectures

- 2019 *American Trombone Workshop*
Consortium Funding: A How To Guide
- 2018 International Trombone Festival
University of Iowa
Collaborative Voice: A Performer's Guide to Commissioning

Publication

- 2019 Zokaites, Russ. "Literature Review: Kosteck Concert Music" *International Trombone Association Journal*, (Accepted for Publication)
- 2018 Zokaites, Russ. "Literature Review: Philip Brink: Three Movements for Unaccompanied Bass Trombone" *International Trombone Association Journal*, (Accepted for Publication)
- 2018 Zokaites, Russ. "Literature Review: Georges Bizet Intermezzo and Farandole" *International Trombone Association Journal*, Vol. 46, No. 3, July 2018.

Trombone Choir Conducting Awards and Conferences

- 2016 American Trombone Workshop
- 2016 Ohio Music Educators Association Conference
- 2016 International Trombone Association Remington Choir Competition 3rd Place

Awards

- 2017 CCM Power Project Grant
- 2016 University of Cincinnati Conference Travel Award
- 2016 College-Conservatory of Music Dean's Travel Award
- 2016 Tangeman Sacred Music Grant
- 2016 Nomination: University of Cincinnati Graduate Student in Exemplary Initiative
- 2013 ArtEZ Hogeschool voor de Kunst Scholarship for Non-EU Students
- 2011 Colorado Trailblazer Schools to Watch

Media Coverage

- 2014 Staff Reporter. "CHS graduate to hold concert." *Roanoke Times*. November 28, 2014.
- 2014 Ouwehand, Ton. "En de klassiek muziek kan maar gewoon weg uit Enschede?" *Tubantia*. Accessed June 2014.
- 2013 Nederlands Radio 4
Live performance of *A Quick Trip with Lots of Baggage*

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University Experience

- 2018 – Present Visiting Assistant Professor of Music – Trombone
Morehead State University
Trombone Lessons, Undergraduate and Graduate
Trombone Choir
Trombone Club
Trombone Pedagogy
Music of Elementary Teachers
- 2017 – 2018 Basketball Pep Band Director
Wilmington College, Wilmington OH
- 2017 Instructor of Trombone
University of Cincinnati College-Conservatory of Music
Trombone Studio Class, Spring 2017
Trombone Choir, Spring 2017
Trombone Excerpt Class, Spring 2017
Trombone Concentration Lessons, Spring 2017
- 2015 – 2017 Trombone Teaching Assistant
University of Cincinnati College-Conservatory of Music
Trombone Warm-up Class – Designed and solo taught this required course, 2015
Trombone Choir, 2015 - 2017
Trombone Concentration Lessons, 2015 – 2017

Secondary Education Experience

- 2018 Assistant Band Director
East Central High School
St. Leon, IN
- 2008 – 2016 Director of Music Ensemble
Marching Band Camp
Spring Valley High School
Columbia, SC
- 2011 Interim Band Director
Powell Middle School
Littleton, CO

SERVICE

- 2018 Queen City Freedom Band
Founder and Manager
LGBA Band-in-Formation Member
- 2016 – 2018 New Music Review
International Trombone Association
- 2016 – 2017 Graduate Student Association President
University of Cincinnati College-Conservatory of Music

RELATED ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE

2015 – 2018 Project Development Total \$45,222.67

2014 & 2018 Festival Coordinator
Lätzsch Trombone Festival

2013 – 2014 Chairman
Foundation for Projects in Contemporary Music

2013 Chairman
ArtSeedz Music Festival

Languages

Native – English

Fluent – Dutch

REFERENCES

Timothy Anderson
Principal Trombone of the Dayton Philharmonic
Assistant Professor of Trombone (CCM)
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