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PROFILE

Professional musician with extensive experience in solo and collaborative music, as well as a music educator. Passionate about equipping others to expand their musical understanding and abilities through a pedagogical process of imitation, assimilation and innovation.

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EMPLOYMENT

Assistant Professor of Keyboard & Theory: August 2016 - Present

Southwestern Adventist University, Keene, TX

- Department Chair (2017-Present)
- Teaches and coordinates all keyboard instruction & related activities
- Teaches and coordinates all theory instruction & related activities
- Recital series artistic director

Director of Worship & the Arts: January 2015 - July 2016

Kettering Seventh-day Adventist Church, Kettering, OH

- Coordinated all worship and arts planning and implementation

Adult Education Instructor: January 2014 - December 2014

Boulder Valley School District, Boulder, CO

- Taught "Intro to Piano and Basic Improvisation" course

Organist and Collaborative Keyboardist: January 2013 - December 2014

First Presbyterian Church, Boulder, CO

- Organist and keyboardist for all worship services & choral ensembles

Director of Worship and Music/Organist: August 2007-December 2012

Victory Lutheran Church, Mesa, AZ

- Planned and implemented all worship related activities on both campuses

Teaching Assistant: August 2007-August 2010

Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ

- Taught all graduate and undergraduate non-major organ lessons
- Developed and taught graduate keyboard improvisation course
- Music Theory tutor

Choral Department Assistant and conductor: June 2004-July 2005

Southern Adventist University School of Music, Collegedale, TN

- Schola Cantorum (early music ensemble) founder and director
- Assistant classroom instructor in theory, history and general music courses

EDUCATION

Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ

Doctor of Musical Arts, May 2012

Dissertation Topic - Organ Improvisation in Context

Smarano International Academy, Smarano, Italy | Roskilde, Denmark

Certificate of Completion, August 1-11, 2011

Studio of Sietze de Vries, Groningen, The Netherlands

Certificate of Literature & Improvisation Studies, 2005-2007

Improvisation & Performance Practice

Fulbright Fellow, The Netherlands

Studio of Aart Bergwerff, Codarts Conservatory, 2005-2006

Technique and Performance Practice

Southern Adventist University, Collegedale, TN

BS in Organ Performance Magna Cum Laude, May 2003

COURSES TAUGHT

- Music Theory 1 - MUCT 111-01
- Music Theory 2 - MUCT 151-01
- Music Theory 3 - MUCT 221-01
- Music Theory 3 - MUCT 251-01
- Survey of Music - MUHL 221-01 & 20 & 50
- Collaborative Piano - MUED 321-01
- Survey of Christian Worship
HNRS/MUHL/RELT 355-01
- Form & Analysis - MUCT 315-01
- Senior Recital - MUPF 468-01
- Piano - MUPF 151-01 & 11
- Piano - MUPF 251-01 & 11
- Piano - MUPF 351-01 & 11
- Piano - MUPF 451-01 & 11
- Organ - MUPF 161-01 & 11
- Organ - MUPF 261-01 & 11
- Organ - MUPF 361-01 & 11
- Organ - MUPF 461-01 & 11
- Chamber Music - MUEN 133-01
- Chamber Music - MUEN 333-01

ACTIVITIES: ACADEMIC

- AGO Scholarship Instructor (AZ, CO, OH, TX)
- Honors Thesis Advising
 - Kenton Sorke
 - Caleb Whittington
- Student Recitals
 - Lindsey Johnson
 - Kelsey Johnson
- Keene SDA Church Senior Fellowship Group Harpsichord Presentation
- Keene SDA Church Senior Fellowship Group Hauptwerk Presentation
- Fort Worth AGO Lecture Recital
- 52nd Annual University of Michigan Conference on Organ Music, Workshop Presenter
- 12th Annual Andrews University Music & Worship Conference, Workshop Presenter
- 17th Annual Andrews University Music & Worship Conference, Paper Reading
- Service Playing Workshop - Cleburne First SDA Church
- Response Worship Summit, Colledgeview SDA Church, Featured Presenter
- Rocky Mountain Conference 2019 Music Festival, Featured Speaker
- Young at Heart SS History of Hymnody Presentation
- SWAU Curriculum Committee Member
- SWAU Music Festival Committee Member
- APC Committee Member
- Honor's Council Faculty Member

ACTIVITIES: AVOCATION

- Champion Academy Alumni Weekend featured concert
- North American Premiere of Laudate Dominum by Ēriks Ešņvalds
- International Touring with University Singers
- Commissioned World Premiere of Gradual Psalm by Yaming Hsu
- Annual Southwestern Music Festival & Night at the Meyerson
- Oklahoma Campmeeting featured concert
- Matthew Briggs TCU Faculty Composition Recital Featured Performer
- Arizona State Beyond Messiaen Festival Featured Performer
- SWAU Departmental Recital Series

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- Grand Tour Faculty Solo Recital
- Founder of SWAU Annual Bachtober Concert
- Founder of SWAU Annual 5 Piano Recital
- Contract Organ Technician with Richards, Fowkes & Co Organ Builders
- Fort Worth AGO Members Recital Featured Performer
- Recording Project & World Premiere of Brown Sounds by Ayanna Witter-Johnson
- Devon Howard YouTube Recording Project
- Secrets Unsealed Recording Session Featured Performer and Soloist
- North American Saxophone Alliance 2020 Annual Conference Featured Soloist