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# **Education, Degrees, and Certificates**

### University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Aug. 2015-May 2019

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Doctor of Musical Arts Degree in Percussion Performance and Literature

- Percussion Studies with William Moersch and Ricardo Flores
- Cognate in Ethnomusicology with Dr. Michael Silvers

## **University of Missouri**

Aug. 2013-May 2015

Master of Music Degree in Percussion Performance

- Percussion Studies with Dr. Julia Gaines and Megan Arns
- Steel Pan and World Music Studies with Skip Thompson

Graduate Certificate in Music Entrepreneurship

• Entrepreneurship studies with Jonathan Kuuskoski

Graduate Certificate in Jazz Studies

• Jazz Studies with Dr. Arthur White and Dr. Michael Pagan

### **Brigham Young University- Hawaii**

Sep. 2010-June 2013

Bachelor of Arts degree in Music

- Percussion Studies with Dr. Darren Duerden
- Composition Studies with Dr. Daniel Bradshaw
- Summa Cum Laude

#### **Arizona State University**

April 2018-Aug. 2018

Certificate in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages

• 150-hour online program with Dr. Shane Dixon and Jessica Cinco

# **Teaching Experience**

# Vigor Kindergarten

Sep. 2018-July 2019

Taichung, Taiwan

English Teacher

- Taught English as a second language to young students
- Communicated with other faculty to meet program and student goals
- Communicated with parents to resolve concerns and progress

### Gjun Language Institute

May 2019-Aug. 2019

Taichung, Taiwan *English Teacher* 

- Taught English as a second language to adults
- Prepared lessons, handouts, and student evaluations

# **Teaching Experience, cont.**

### University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

I-Pan

June 2016-Sep. 2018

- Advanced student steel band
- Led rehearsals
- Organized performances with various clients
- Managed web presence

Percussion Ensemble

Aug.-Nov. 2017

• Co-directed ensemble for the Fall 2017 semester and concert

Illinois Summer Youth Music

July 2016, July 2017

- Assisted junior high and high school students during rehearsals
- Organized and taught master classes on percussion

### **Champaign Central High School**

July 2018

Front Ensemble Instructor

- Led front ensemble rehearsals for percussion and band camps
- Taught percussion techniques
- Ensured the front ensemble was ready to play their music with the full band

### **University of Missouri**

Graduate Teaching Assistant

Aug. 2013-May 2015

- Taught class on percussion techniques
- Supervised and repaired percussion equipment
- Taught private lessons for non-percussion majors
- Assisted with Steel Band and World Percussion Ensemble
- Coached percussionists in University Band

Community Music Program (CMP) Instructor

Aug. 2013-May 2015

• Taught one-on-one percussion lessons for community members

Summer Band Camp Small Ensemble Director/Counselor

June 2014-June 2015

- Directed Percussion Ensemble
- Supervised campers in rehearsals and activities
- Assisted in large ensemble rehearsals as needed

### **Brigham Young University- Hawaii**

Teaching assistant

Sep. 2011-June 2013

- Tutored students of music theory and music history
- Graded papers for music theory and music history
- Supervised equipment inventory, repairs, and transportation

### **Publications**

# **Expanding Literature for Solo Steel Pan through Commissions, Discoveries, and Transcriptions**

**April 2019** 

- Doctoral Thesis
- Published through the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign IDEALS

### **Professional Orchestral Positions**

#### Sinfonia da Camera

Feb. 2016

Urbana, Illinois

• Section Percussion

# Missouri Symphony

Dec. 2013-July 2014

Columbia, Missouri

Section Percussion

### Columbia Civic Orchestra

Oct. 2013-Oct. 2014

Columbia, Missouri

• Section Percussion

# **Performance Experience**

# **Solo Performances**

Urbana, Illinois

Oct. 2016-Nov. 2016

- Music for Solo Steel Pan
  - Community concert series sponsored by a grant from the City of Urbana Public Arts Program

#### University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

• DMA Project Recital

March 2019

- "Expanding Literature for Solo Steel Pan through Commissions, Discoveries, and Transcriptions"
- Concerto for Steel Pan and Chamber Orchestra

Feb. 2017

- Performed with the Illinois Modern Ensemble
- Personally commissioned concerto

• DMA Recital 2

Sep. 2018

DMA Recital 1

April 2016

### Tampa, Florida

McCormick Marimba Festival

Jan 2016

Marimba soloist on solo night

#### **University of Missouri**

Graduate Percussion Recital

Oct. 2014

### Hyrum, Utah

• Solo Concert Jan. 2014

Self-produced recital on the marimba and the steel pan

### **Brigham Young University- Hawaii**

• Senior Percussion Recital May 2013

Commencement Exercises Dec. 2012

 In attendance were school administrators and prominent members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints

New Music Recital
 Oct. 2012

 Only student invited to perform with university faculty and musicians from the Hawaii Symphony Orchestra

Junior Percussion Recital

March 2012

• Evening of Concertos

Oct. 2011

 Accompanied by the Hawaii Symphony OrchestraBrigham Young University-Hawaii Women's Conference
 June 2012

 In attendance were prominent members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints

### Logan, Utah

• Dia de Hermanamiento

Aug. 2011

Festival to celebrate diversity within the community

# **Chamber Performances**

Tampa, Florida Jan 2016

• McCormick Marimba Festival

Duo performance with Victor Pons

#### **Odyssey Chamber Music Series**

March 2015

Columbia, Missouri

• Co-created concert with theme of "Classic Pop!"

### **University of Illinois**

- I-Pan (Advanced Steel Band)
- Percussion Ensemble
- UI Steel Band
- Gamelan Kebyar Ensemble
- Illinois Modern Ensemble

### **University of Missouri**

Significant Performances:

• 68<sup>th</sup> Annual Midwest Clinic Dec. 2014 Chicago, Illinois

Percussion Ensemble and Graduate Percussion Quartet

• Emerging Artists Concert March 2014
Graduate Percussion Quartet

#### Other Performances

- Graduate Percussion Quartet
- Percussion Ensemble
- MU Steel (Steel Band)
- World Percussion Ensemble
- Jazz Combos

### **Brigham Young University- Hawaii**

- Shaka Steel (Steel Band)
- Salsa Orchestra
- Pep Band
- Polynesian Drumming Ensemble
- Marimba Ensemble
- Brass Ensemble

# **Large Ensemble Performances**

### University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

- Symphony Orchestra
- Wind Symphony
- Wind Orchestra

### **University of Missouri**

- University Philharmonic Orchestra
- Concert Jazz Band
- University Wind Ensemble
- University Band (coach)

### **Brigham Young University- Hawaii**

- North Shore Symphonic Wind Orchestra (Community Band)
- Chamber Orchestra
- Concert Choir

# **Freelance Experience**

### **Urbana Pops Orchestra**

June 2018

Urbana, Illinois

• Guest principal percussionist

### Champaign-Urbana Civic Wind Band

July 2017

Champaign, Illinois

• Section percussion for patriotic concert

### **Parkland College Theater Department**

April 2016

Champaign, Illinois

• Substitute percussionist for "Fiddler on the Roof"

### **DACC Players, Danville Area Community College**

Nov. 2015

Danville, Illinois

• Auxiliary percussion for "Ann and Abe," by Dr. Eric Simonson

#### **Banana Oil Pan Band**

April 2015-July 2015

Columbia, Missouri

• Played lead pan for steel band

**La Movida** Oct. 2013- May 2014

Columbia, Missouri

• Played percussion to accompany Latin music

### **Columbia Handbell Ensemble**

May 2014

Columbia, Missouri

• Played percussion to accompany works for handbell ensemble

Freelance Duos Oct. 2012- June 2013

Laie, Hawaii

• Played percussion in various duo settings, including piano, ukulele, and guitar

### Jazz Combo/ Saxophone Quartet

June 2012- April 2013

Laie, Hawaii

• Drumset player for dance events

# **Tour Experience**

# **University of Missouri**

- Chicago, Illinois- 68<sup>th</sup> Annual Midwest Clinic, MU Percussion Ensemble, December 2014
- San Juan, Puerto Rico- 28<sup>th</sup> International Festival of Percussion, MU Percussion Quartet, October 2013

### **Brigham Young University- Hawaii**

- New Zealand and Brisbane, Australia-BYUH Concert Choir Tour, June 2013
- Kauai, Hawaii- BYUH Steel Band Tour, March 2012

#### **Utah Ambassadors of Music**

• European Tour, July 2007

# **Performance Competitions/Awards**

### **Mid-Missouri Percussive Arts Trophy (MMPAT)**

March 2014, March 2015

Lebanon, Missouri

- Superior Rating (2015)
- Excellent Rating (2014)

# **2011 Concerto Competition**

March 2011

Brigham Young University- Hawaii

Winner

# **Works Commissioned**

#### Daniel Bradshaw, On the Cooler

- Solo for lead steel pan
- Premiered September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018

### Kyle Shaw, Canboulay

- Concerto for steel pan and chamber orchestra
- Premiered Feb. 15<sup>th</sup>, 2017, with the Illinois Modern Ensemble

#### Josè Martinez, Under Control

- Solo for lead steel pan in two movements
- Self-led consortium with six other pannists
- Premiered April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2016

### Josè Martinez, The KoDa is in Clave

- Duet for viola and marimba
- Premiered March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2015

### **Consortiums Joined**

#### Thom Hasempflug, Looking Down to See the Sky

- Duet for marimba and tenor steel pan
- Consortium led by Dave Gerhart and Tom Burritt

# Consortiums Joined, cont.

### Thomas Rex Beverly, Sferics

- Solo for vibraphone, seasonal electronics, and video
- Consortium led by Victor Pons

#### **Grants/Prizes Received**

### **Barlow Endowment for Music Composition**

July 2019

Brigham Young University

Provo, Utah

- LDS Commission Recipient
  - Funding for Kyle Shaw and I to write and premiere a new work for solo steel pan

Urbana Arts Grant March 2016

City of Urbana Public Arts Program

Urbana, Illinois

- Music for Solo Steel Pan
  - Funding for a city concert series featuring music for solo steel pan

# **Internship/Outreach Experience**

### **Odyssey Chamber Music Series**

Aug. 2014-May 2015

Performance Fellow

Columbia, Missouri

- Planned and organized performers and repertoire for March concert
- Managed social media
- Assisted with concert production and logistics
- Assisted with promotions

#### **Shropshire Music Foundation**

July- Aug. 2012

Intern

Gjakove, Kosovo/ Laie, Hawaii

- Taught children basic music skills
- Taught teenagers basic percussion pedagogical skills
- Co-authored basic drumming book that is currently used by the foundation to teach
- Worked with the program director on outreach projects in Laie, Hawaii

#### **Residencies and Lectures**

#### **Esteemed Legislator Award Reception**

April 2014

University of Missouri

- Keynote Speaker
  - "Bach on wood: Adapting the violin and cello music of J.S. Bach for the modern marimba"
  - In attendance were several state congress representatives

# Residencies and Lectures, cont.

### **Mountain Crest High School**

January 2014

Hyrum, Utah

• Taught a master class on four-mallet keyboard technique

# **Academic/Research Presentation Experience**

### **Research and Creative Activities Forum (RCAF)**

March 2014, March 2015

University of Missouri

- "Bang on a can: The evolution of the steel pan from a biscuit tin to a fine art instrument" (2015)
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> Place in the Creative Arts and Humanities Division
- "Bach on wood: Adapting the violin and cello music of J.S. Bach for the modern marimba" (2014)
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Place in the Creative Arts and Humanities Division

# Professional Memberships/Conferences Attended

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### **Percussive Arts Society**

2012- Present

- Member of the University Committee 2016-2019
- General member since 2012

#### **Society for Ethnomusicology**

2017-Present

• Member since Jan. 2017

### Pi Kappa Lambda

2015- Present

Member- Gamma Gamma Chapter

# **Conferences Attended**

# Percussive Arts Society International Convention (PASIC)

Nov. 2013, 2016, 2017

Indianapolis, Indiana

- Attended committee meetings to provide feedback, discuss goals, and make plans for the organization
- Attended various classes, concerts, and workshops, all focused on percussion
- Networked with prominent members of the percussion community

# **Press Coverage**

Cache Magazine Jan. 10-16, 2014

Logan, Utah

- Weekly supplement to *The Herald Journal*, a local newspaper in Cache Valley, Utah
- Cover story about the Jan. 2014 Fundraiser Concert

# **Service Experience**

### The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints

Sep. 2008- Sep. 2010

Full Time Volunteer Representative

Guatemala City, Guatemala

- Taught life improvement skills and religious values to various individuals and families
- Donated over 4,000 hours of service
- Supervised, taught, and motivated large groups of other volunteer representatives
- Individually trained and supervised four volunteer representatives on necessary skills

## **Miscellaneous Skills**

• Fluent in Spanish and English, beginning Mandarin Chinese

#### **Private Lesson/Master Class Instructors**

- Allen Otte, University of Cincinnati
- Vadim Karpinos, Chicago Symphony
- Jerry Tachoir, Jazz Vibraphonist
- Tom Miller, University of Denver, Steel Pan Composer/Performer
- Greg Carroll, CEO, The American Jazz Museum, Vibraphone Performer
- Casey Cangelosi, James Madison University, Percussion Composer/ Performer
- So Percussion, Percussion Quartet
- Jason Huxtable, Maraca2 Percussion Duo
- Robert Van Sice, Yale School of Music, Peabody Conservatory of Music
- Lisa Nicol, Del Mar College, Elemental Percussion Duo
- Matthew McClung, Texas A&M University, Elemental Percussion Duo
- Peter Eldridge and Matt Aronoff, Foolish Hearts Jazz Duo
- Jeff Narell, Professional Steel Pan Performer
- Tracy Thornton, Professional Steel Pan Performer

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# **End of Curriculum Vitae**