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Education

Eastman School of Music / Rochester, New York ***2018***

Doctor of Musical Arts, Performance and Literature

Minor: Pedagogy

Certificate in College Music Teaching

Performer's Certificate

University of Illinois / Urbana-Champaign, Illinois ***2015***

Master of Music, Saxophone Performance and Literature

University of North Florida / Jacksonville, Florida ***2013***

Bachelor of Music, Saxophone Performance

Collegiate Teaching Experience

Visiting Assistant Professor of Saxophone and Jazz, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee ***Fall 2018-present***

- Teach applied saxophone
- Coach chamber music
- Director of the UWM Saxophone Ensemble
- Director of jazz ensembles and combos

Instructor of Saxophone, University of Rochester ***August 2015-May 2016***

- Saxophone instructor to students at the University of Rochester River-Campus
- Coordinate and evaluate annual juries
- Organize lesson schedules and recitals

Assistant Director, Eastman Saxophone Project (ESP) ***August 2017-present***

- Assist in running rehearsals
- Serve as staff arranger for the ensemble.
- Organized two full-length recitals while director was on sabbatical, 2017-2018

Saxophone Teaching Assistant, Eastman School of Music ***August 2015-June 2018***

- Saxophone quartet coach to undergraduate saxophone majors.
- Helped organize, teach, and maintain the saxophone studio while professor was on sabbatical, 2017-2018
- Act as a liaison between Chien-Kwan Lin and the Eastman saxophone studio.

Saxophone Teaching Assistant, University of Illinois ***August 2014-May 2015***

- Designed saxophone methods courses
- Taught undergraduate saxophonists within the saxophone studio
- Coached chamber ensembles
- Provided administrative support for the Illinois saxophone studio

Additional Teaching Experience

Teaching Faculty, Eastman Community Music School ***August 2015-June 2018***

- Maintain an active saxophone studio that has tripled in size since taking over the position
- Help coordinate saxophone studio recitals within the school

Ensemble Director, New Horizons Saxophone Ensemble ***August 2016-July 2017***

- Conducted and directed weekly rehearsals with ensemble
- Designed yearly programs that were presented at the Eastman School of Music

Faculty, Eastman Summer Saxophone Institute ***2016-present***

- Taught daily saxophone lessons and masterclasses
- Designed and presented lectures
- Coached chamber music

Faculty, Young Saxophonist's Institute (YSI) ***June 2017***

- Taught daily saxophone lessons and masterclasses
- Designed and presented lectures
- Coached chamber music

Instructor of Saxophone, Illinois Summer Youth Music Camps ***July 2015***

- Taught daily saxophone lessons and masterclasses
- Designed and presented lectures
- Coached chamber music
- Served as the advanced ensemble's woodwind sectionals instructor

Performance Experience (masterclasses/recitals)

Solo

UW-Milwaukee Faculty Recital ***April 2019***
Milwaukee, WI

- Faculty recital at UW-Milwaukee. Featuring works by Creston, Milhaud, Mantovani, Muczynski, and Lauba. Featuring UWM faculty Peggy Otwell (piano) and Greg Flint (horn).

Recital/Masterclass ***April 2019***
River Fall, WI

- Masterclass and recital for students at University of Wisconsin- River Falls

Recital/Masterclass ***June 2018***
Brevard Summer Music Festival

- Masterclass and performance for college and high school saxophone participants.

Recital/Masterclass Tour ***March 2018***
SUNY Potsdam

- Masterclass and recital for students at SUNY Potsdam.

Recital/Masterclass Tour ***March 2017***
New York/Florida

- Masterclass and recital tour for students at Mansfield University, Nazareth College and University of North Florida.

Recital/Masterclass Tour ***January 2016***
Florida

- Masterclass and recital tour for students at the University of North Florida, University of South Florida, Vero Beach High School and Key West High School.

Chamber

Chamber Music Milwaukee ***November 2018***
Milwaukee, WI

- Performance of Notturno for alto saxophone and percussion by William Heinrichs (UWM composition faculty). A collaboration with Dr. Alex Wier, professor of percussion at UW-Milwaukee.

Guest Artist Recital ***September 2018***
Eastman School of Music

- Guest artist recital with the Fuego Quartet at the Eastman School of Music

Recital/Masterclass Tour (Fuego Quartet) ***January 2019***
Southeast

- Masterclass and recital tour for students at the University of Georgia, Georgia State University, Augusta University, University of North Florida, Evans Middle School and surrounding high school programs.

Recital/Masterclass Tour (Fuego Quartet) ***March 2018***
Southeast

- Masterclass and recital tour for students at the University of North Florida, Sebastian River High School, and surrounding Vero Beach music programs.

Recital/Masterclass Tour (Fuego Quartet) ***October 23-31, 2018***
Midwest
- Recital tour for students at the University of Illinois and Michigan State University.

Recital/Masterclass Tour (Fuego Quartet) ***Spring 2017***
New York/Maryland
- Masterclass and recital tour for students at Frostburg State, Nazareth College and the Eastman Community Music School.

Fischoff Gold Medal Tour (Fuego Quartet) ***October 23-31, 2018***
Midwest
- A collection of concerts and community outreach events in conjunction with the Fischoff Chamber Music Association. Masterclasses and workshops at Waubonsie Valley High School, LaSalle Intermediate Academy, Notre Dame Center for Arts & Cul ture, Culver Academies, Upton Middle School, Discovery Middle School and John Young Middle School

Eastman Saxophone Project (ESP) China Tour ***July 2016***
China
- Performance highlights include the Asia-Pacific Band Directors Association Conference, the Shanghai Saxophone Summer Camp, in Beijing and various performances in cities around Shanghai.

Performance Experience (conferences/competitions)

Solo

Wisconsin State Music Educators Association Conference ***October 2018***
Madison, WI
- Performance with the WI College and University Faculty Woodwind Ensemble, and the faculty saxophone ensemble
- Represented UW-Milwaukee department faculty during exhibition hours

World Saxophone Congress
Zagreb, Croatia ***July 2018***
- Lecture and performance of Bruno Mantovani's *Bug*

Wisconsin State Music Educators Conference ***October 2018***
Madison, WI
- Performance with the UW Colleges and Universities Faculty Woodwind Ensemble, and Saxophone Ensemble

North American Saxophone Alliance National Conference ***March 2018***
Cincinatti, OH
- Solo performance at the University of Cincinnati Conservatory of Music, NASA National Solo Competition Winner's Recital

Music Teacher's National Association Conference ***March 2015***
Las Vegas, NV

- Solo performance at the Rio All-Suite Casino and Hotel in Las Vegas, NV. as a finalist in the National Young Artist's MTNA Competition.

Kate Neal Kinley Memorial International Competition ***March 2015***
Urbana, IL

- Solo performance in the Foellinger Great Hall at the Krannert Center for the Performing Arts. Final round.

North American Saxophone Alliance National Conference ***March 2014***
Urbana, IL

- Solo performance in the Foellinger Great Hall at the Krannert Center for the Performing Arts. Final round of the NASA National Solo Competition.

European University of Saxophone ***July 2014***
Gap, France

- Variety of solo and chamber performances in masterclass and concert settings.

NASA Region VI Conference ***2013, 2011***
Florida

- 2013: Featured soloist in evening concert
- 2011: Masterclass performance and chamber music performance

Chamber

World Saxophone Congress
Zagreb, Croatia ***July 2018***

- World premiere of Clay Mettens' new work for saxophone quartet.
- World premiere of several works as a member of the International Tenor Saxophone Collective

North American Saxophone Alliance National Conference ***March 2018***
Cincinatti, OH

- World premiere of Clay Mettens' new work for saxophone quartet.

International Saxophone Symposium ***January 2018***
Fairfax, VA

- Fuego Quartet gives a recital featuring the works of William Albright and Ida Gotkovsky.

Music Teacher's National Association Conference ***March 2017***

- Fuego Quartet performs and receives second prize in the MTNA Chamber Music Competition

Fischoff National Chamber Music Competition ***May 2017***

- Fuego Quartet performs and receives 1st prize in the Fischoff Chamber Music Competition Senior Winds division

Plowman Chamber Music Competition ***April 2017***

- Fuego Quartet performs and receives 1st prize in the Plowman Chamber Music Competition wind division

Honors Chamber Recital, Eastman School of Music ***December 2015***
Rochester, NY

- Performance of Gabriel Pierne's *Introduction et variations sur une ronde populaire* with the Fuego Saxophone Quartet as winners of the Honors Chamber Recital Competition.

Beckman Institue Concert Series ***2013, 2014***
Urbana, IL

- Performance at the "Tuesday's at 12:20" Concert Series for faculty, students and community members in the surrounding areas.

Illinois Modern Ensemble Tour ***March 2015***
Chicago, IL

- Selected as the saxophonist to perform with the Illinois Modern Ensemble at the "there is no repetition" New Music Festival in Chicago, IL.

Performance Experience (clinics/outreach/recruitment)

Solo

Milwaukee Honor Band Festival ***November 2018***
Milwaukee, WI

- Saxophone masterclass at the Milwaukee Honor Band Festival

Milwaukee Youth Wind Ensemble ***November 2018***
Milwaukee, WI

- Clinic and performance for the Milwaukee Youth Wind Ensemble saxophone section

Rufus King High School ***September 2018***
Milwaukee, WI

- Clinic and performance for the Rufus King High School intermediate and advanced bands

Eastman Community Music School ***Fall 2015***
Rochester, NY

- Clinic and performance for the Eastman Community Music School saxophone studio

Performance Experience (concerto soloist)

Solo

University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee (UWM) Wind Ensemble ***Fall 2018/Spring 2019***

- Performances of Frank Ticheli's Concerto for Alto Saxophone
- Fall concert, Milwaukee Honor Band Festival, spring tour

Eastman Symphony Orchestra ***April 2017***

- Performance of Jacques Ibert's *Concertino da camera* in Eastman Theater's Kodak Hall

Northwest Florida Symphony Orchestra ***February 2012***

- Two Performances of Alexander Glazunov's *Concerto for alto saxophone and string orchestra* in Niceville, FL.

University of North Florida (UNF) Orchestra ***March 2012***

- Performance of Alexander Glazunov's *Concerto for alto saxophone and string orchestra* as winner of the UNF Concerto Competition.

Chamber

Eastman Wind Ensemble ***September 2018***

- Performance of Michael Colgrass' *Urban Requiem* with the Eastman Wind Ensemble and the Fuego Quartet

University of Illinois Wind Symphony ***March 2015***

Nashville, TN

- Performance of Michael Colgrass' *Urban Requiem* with the Alaric Saxophone Quartet and the Illinois Wind Symphony as part of the CBDNA National Convention in Nashville, TN

Honors and Awards

Competitions

Solo

- North American Saxophone Alliance (NASA) National Solo Competition, *first prize 2018*
- North American Saxophone Alliance (NASA) National Solo Competition, *second prize 2014*
- Music Teacher's National Association (MTNA) National Young Artist Solo Competition, *second prize, 2015*
- Kate Neal Kinley International Solo Competition*, 1st prize, 2015*
- Pershing's Own National Collegiate Solo Competition, *finalist, 2016*
- Eastman School of Music Concerto Competition, *winner, 2017*
- William C. Byrd Concerto Competition, *finalist, 2017*
- Northwest Florida Symphony Concerto Competition, *first prize, 2012*
- University of North Florida (UNF) Concerto Competition, *first prize, 2012*
- International Saxophone Symposium and Competition, *semi-finalist, 2014*
- Brevard Summer Music Festival, *accepted, 2011/2012*
- UNF Outstanding Musician of the Year*, winner, 2010-2013*

Chamber

- Fischoff Chamber Music Competition Senior Winds, *Gold Medal, 2017*
- Plowman Chamber Music Competition Winds, *first prize, 2017*
- MTNA Young Artist National Chamber Competition, *second prize, 2017*
- MTNA Young Artist Chamber Competition, East Central Division, *third prize, 2015*
- Eastman Honors Chamber Recital Competition, *first prize, 2016*
- U.S Army Band Solo and Ensemble Competition, *first prize, 2016*

- Coleman Chamber Music Competition, *finalist, 2015*
- NASA Quartet Competition, *semi-finalist, 2016, 2014*

Awards

- Teaching Assistantship Prize Winner, Eastman School of Music, *2018*
- Performer's Certificate, Eastman School of Music, *2017*
- John Celentano Award for Excellence in Chamber Music, *2017*
- A.A Harding Band Award, *2015*
- East Florida Medallion Award, *2009-2013*
- John Philip Sousa Award, *2009*

Scholarships

- George E. MacNaab Scholarship, *2015-2016*
- UNF Blue and Silver Scholarship, *2009-2013*
- Lazzara Family Scholarship, *2011-2012*

Grants

- Kate Neal Kinley Memorial Fellowship, *2015-2016*
- Eastman Professional Development Committee Grant, *2017, 2016*
- Illinois School of Music Travel Grant, *2015*
- Illinois State Music Teacher's Association Travel Grant, *2015*
- Florida State Music Teacher's Association Travel Grant, *2012*
- Transformational Learning Opportunities Grant, UNF, *2012*

Discography

The American Saxophone Quartet ***Spring 2019***

- Fuego Quartet's debut album. Featuring works by William Albright, David Clay Mettens and David Maslanka. In contract with PARMA Recordings.

Premieres

Solo

"As brightness is smeared into memory" by Jeff Herriott ***2018***

- Part of a commissioning project lead by Dr. Drew Whitting

"Escape" by Marc Mellits ***2018***

- Member of international consortium. Premiered at the Eastman School of Music, Kilbourn Hall.

“Hudhud" by Dennis Reyes ***2018***

- Written for alto saxophone and electronics. To be premiered in Spring 2018.

“Gone…" by Michael Taylor ***2011***

- Written for saxophone and mallet percussion and premiered at the NASA Region VI Conference in Jacksonville. Work is also featured on Michael Bovenzi's CD entitled *American Eclectic*.

Chamber

“Quantum Shift” by Mischa Zupko ***2018***

- Part of a commissioning project with Fuego Quartet

“Breaking Point” by Tedd King Smith ***2018***

- Part of a commissioning project with Fuego Quartet

“Ornithology S” by Clay Mettens ***2018***

- Written for Fuego Quartet to be premiered at the 2018 NASA Biennial Conference and the World Saxophone Congress in Croatia.

“Rendezvous” ***2017***

- Part of a commissioning project with composer Baljinder Sekhon. Piece will be premiered with the Eastman Saxophone Project.

“Sirens” ***2017***

- Composition recital at the Eastman School of Music. Written by Harrison Clarke and performed by the Fuego Quartet.

“Centennial Fanfare” ***2016***

- Written for the Eastman Saxophone Project (ESP) and premiered at the 100th Anniversary of the Eastman Institute for Oral Health.

“**Unreal Promenades” by Graham Lynch** ***2015***

- Written for the Eastman Saxophone Project (ESP) and was premiered in Kilbourn Hall at the Eastman School of Music.

“Water Lettuce” by M.O. Abbot ***2014***

- Composed for the Crux4tet and premiered at the New Music Concert in Smith Recital Hall, Urbana, IL.

"Quadrilogy" by Curtis T. Smith ***2012***

- Written for the Four Quarters Saxophone Quartet and premiered at the BMC Composer's Concert, Brevard, NC.

"Miniatures" by Benjamin Brody ***2011***

- Written for the Infinity Saxophone Quartet and premiered at the BMC Com poser's Concert in Brevard, NC.

***Current 2018 Composer Commission Projects:** Baljinder Sekhon

Arrangements

Gustav Mahler's "Symphony No.5 IV. Adagietto"
- Arrangement done for the Eastman Saxophone Project

Leonard Bernstein's Symphonic Dances from "West Side Story"
- Arrangement done for the Eastman Saxophone Project

Flory Jagoda's "Ocho Kandelikas"
- Arrangement done for the Rochester's New Horizons Saxophone Ensemble

Bruno Mantovani's "Bug"
- Arrangement and transcription for alto saxophone

Edvard Grieg's Lyric Pieces, Book VIII, Op. 65
- Arrangement for soprano saxophone and piano

J.S Bach's Sonata no.1 in G minor I. Adagio
- Arrangement and transcription for alto saxophone

Documents

A Performer's Guide to Bruno Mantovani's *Bug* ***2018***
- In conjunction with a doctoral lecture recital, this document provides an in depth theoretical analysis and my process of transcribing it from clarinet to alto saxophone.

Duke Ellington's "*Madness in Great Ones"* ***2017***
- An in depth analysis of Duke Ellington's *Madness in Great Ones.* Including historical background, compositional techniques and comparison in recordings.

Administrative/Leadership Experience

Milwaukee Saxophone Festival ***February 2019***
Milwaukee, WI
- Conference host, organizer and guest artist
- 2 days of guest artists featuring Jean-Marie Londeix, Fred Hemke, and the Fuego Quartet

Jazz Fest at UW-Milwaukee ***February 2019***
- Conference host, organizer and guest artist
- Day event open to middle and high school jazz programs
- Clinics and performances

Ad Hoc Music, Marketing/Communications ***June 2016-August 2017***
Rochester, NY
- Manage all media sources for the group and help create promotional material for events.

Musical Equipment Department, University of Illinois ***August 2013-May 2014***
Urbana, IL

- Assisted in the distribution of equipment to faculty, staff and students in the school of music.

Interlochen Arts Camp, Staff ***June 2013-August 2013***
Interlochen, MI

- Provided safety for the students and served as a role model in attitude, behavior, and actions.
- Participated in the development and implementation of activities for campers within division
- Delivered age-appropriate cabin night activities each week.

Interlochen Arts Camp, Copy Assistant ***June 2013-August 2013***
Interlochen, MI

- Collected information, copied and printed programs for a variety of different concerts.

Brevard Music Center, Resident Assistant ***June 2012-August 2012***
Brevard, NC

- Supervised student living quarters and provide guidance to younger students
- Enforced campus policies.

UNF Music Technology/MIDI Lab, Lab Assistant ***August 2011-May 2012***
Jacksonville, FL

- Provided and monitored access to the computer music lab within the school of music.
- Assisted students in their completion of various assignments using Finale, Sibelius, Pro Tools and Logic.

Endorsements

Vandoren Performing Artist (Fuego Quartet)	*Fall 2018 (announcement)*
Conn-Selmer Endorsing Artist	*2018*

Professional Memberships

North American Saxophone Alliance (NASA)	*2009-present*
Chamber Music America	*2017- present*
College Music Society	*2014-present*
Mu Phi Epsilon	*2010-present*

Primary Teachers/Additional Studies

Saxophone

Chien-Kwan Lin, Eastman School of Music	*2015-present*
Vincent David, Eastman School of Music	*Spring 2018*
Doug O'Connor, United States Army Band	*Fall 2017*

Debra Richtmeyer, University of Illinois	*2013-2015*
Dale Underwood, University of Miami	*2006-2009*
Joseph Lulloff, BMC Summer Festival	*Summer 2011, Summer 2012*
Michael Bovenzi, UNF	*2009-2013*

Jazz Saxophone

Bunky Green, UNF	*2009-2012*

Conducting

Gordon Brock	*2011-2012*