

Education

- Doctor of Musical Arts in Saxophone Performance** **Expected Spring 2025**
Related Field in Music Entrepreneurship
University of North Texas
Primary Instructor: Dr. Eric Nestler
- Master of Music in Saxophone Performance** **2014**
Texas Christian University
Graduate Assistant in Jazz Studies
Primary Instructor: Joe Eckert
- Bachelor of Music Education** **2012**
Texas Christian University
Primary Instructor: Joe Eckert
Graduated Summa Cum Laude

Collegiate Teaching Positions

- Adjunct Professor of Saxophone** **Fall 2021**
Texas Christian University
Duties included: teaching applied classical and jazz saxophone lessons and studio class to all saxophone majors in the School of Music while Professor Joe Eckert was on sabbatical, coordinator of saxophone quartets and music director of the saxophone ensemble, lead the weekly studio class, assisting with Jazz Ensemble I, assist with ensemble auditions and juries, recruit and meet with prospective students, advise graduate students
Courses Taught:
MUSI 10080 Undergraduate Saxophone Quartet
MUSP 20440 Lower-Level Saxophone
MUSP 40440 Upper-Level Saxophone
MUSP 40991 Recital
MUSI 60080 Graduate Saxophone Quartet
MUSP 60440 Graduate Saxophone

- Adjunct Professor of Saxophone** **2014-2016**
Richland College
Duties included: teaching applied classical and jazz saxophone, assisting with the jazz ensemble on a regular basis, assisting with ensemble auditions and juries, advising undergraduate students

Courses Taught:

MUAP 1133 Saxophone

Graduate Assistant in Jazz Studies

2012-2014

Texas Christian University

Duties included: assisting with all aspects of the jazz studies program, managing the jazz library, conducting jazz ensemble rehearsals when needed, assisting in administration of annual TCU Jazz Festival

Other Teaching Positions

Private Saxophone Instructor

2014-present

McKinney Independent School District

Studio load of approximately 60 students

Teaching saxophone students from McKinney Boyd High School, McKinney North High School, Cockrill Middle School, Dowell Middle School, Evans Middle School, Faubion Middle School, and Scott Johnson Middle School

Teaching classical and jazz saxophone

Organizer and conductor of the McKinney Saxophone Choir

Teaching summer classes on jazz and film music

Composer and arranger for student ensembles

Masterclass and chamber music instructor when needed

Private Saxophone Instructor

2014-2018

Prosper Independent School District

Studio load of approximately 20 students

Taught saxophone students from Prosper High School, Reynolds Middle School, and Rogers Middle School

Taught classical and jazz saxophone

Masterclass and chamber music Instructor when needed

Private Saxophone Instructor

2014-2015

Richardson Independent School District

Studio load of approximately 10 students

Taught saxophone students from Lake Highlands High School and Lake Highlands Junior High School

Taught classical and jazz saxophone

Professional Performance Positions

Saxophonist

2018-present

Jordan Kahn Music Company

- Perform at least four events per month for luxury events around the world, including Costa Rica, The Bahamas, and Switzerland
- Cocktail hour jazz saxophonist
- Coordinate with event planners and musicians on event logistics
- Additional duties as band leader and brass arranger

Substitute Saxophonist

2016-present

Fort Worth Symphony Orchestra

- Perform in Symphonic, Pops, and Concerts in the Garden series as needed

Tenor Saxophonist

2016-present

Lone Star Wind Orchestra

- Perform at least three concerts per year as an ensemble member and soloist
- Member of the Lone Star Saxophone Quartet
- Additional duties as digital media producer for Wind Orchestra Masterworks, and Lone Star Conversations

Other Professional Engagements

Composer/Arranger/Media Producer

2019-present

MK Music Designs

- Founder and owner
- Create original compositions and arrangements for high school marching bands and saxophone ensembles
- Designer of virtual ensemble performances for music programs throughout the COVID-19 Pandemic
- Work closely with clients on a weekly basis to create a musical score that best fits their program and performer capabilities
- Design sounds to enhance the production's musical impact

Select Performance Experience

Jazz and Orchestral

Fort Worth Symphony Orchestra/Jazz Ensemble

October 14-16, 2022

Alto saxophonist/clarinetist | with Joe Lovano

Dallas Winds

October 8, 2022

Alto saxophonist (substitute)

Dallas Asian Winds Alto/soprano saxophonist (substitute)	September 22, 2022
Abilene Philharmonic Alto/tenor saxophonist	June 11, 2022
Lone Star Wind Orchestra Tenor saxophonist	April 24, 2022
Taylor Pace Orchestra Tenor saxophonist Performance with Justin Paul and Common	April 3, 2022
University Christian Church Orchestra Tenor saxophonist <i>Rhapsody in Blue</i> by George Gershwin	March 30, 2022
Fort Worth Symphony Orchestra Tenor saxophonist <i>An American in Paris</i> and <i>Rhapsody in Blue</i> by George Gershwin	March 11-13, 2022
Fort Worth Symphony Orchestra Tenor saxophonist <i>Bolero</i> by Maurice Ravel	February 27, 2022
Joran Kahn Music Company Jazz Ensemble Tenor saxophonist and music arranger	December 7, 2021
Lone Star Wind Orchestra Tenor saxophonist	May 9, 2021
Dallas Winds Baritone saxophonist (substitute)	February 5-7, 2020
McKinney North High School Musical Theatre Soprano/alto saxophonist and bass clarinetist <i>Urine Town</i>	January 16-18, 2020
Jordan Kahn Music Company Jazz Ensemble Tenor saxophonist and music arranger	December 19, 2019
Dallas Winds Baritone saxophonist (substitute)	November 12, 2019
Fort Worth Symphony Orchestra Tenor/baritone saxophonist	June 7, 2019
Taylor Pace Orchestra Tenor saxophonist Wedding of Barbara Bush	April 13, 2019
Dallas Winds Baritone saxophonist (substitute)	February 6-8, 2019

Lone Star Wind Orchestra Tenor saxophonist	January 27, 2019
Lone Star Wind Orchestra Tenor/sopranino saxophonist	November 18, 2018
Las Colinas Symphony Orchestra Tenor saxophonist	October 18-20, 2018
Lone Star Wind Orchestra Tenor saxophonist	April 29, 2018
Dallas Winds Baritone saxophonist (substitute)	February 7-9, 2018
Lone Star Wind Orchestra Tenor saxophonist	January 28, 2018
Odysseus Orchestra/Jazz Ensemble Baritone saxophonist/bass clarinetist	November 2-4, 2017
Lone Star Wind Orchestra Tenor saxophonist	October 15, 2017
Allen Philharmonic Alto saxophonist	June 30, 2017
Irving Symphony Orchestra Tenor/Baritone saxophonist	February 11, 2017
Lone Star Wind Orchestra Tenor saxophonist	January 29, 2017
Fort Worth Symphony Orchestra Alto saxophonist <i>An American in Paris</i> by George Gershwin	December 31, 2016
Lone Star Wind Orchestra Tenor saxophonist	November 11, 2016
Plano Symphony Orchestra Tenor saxophonist	October 29, 2016
Irving Symphony Orchestra Tenor saxophonist	October 8, 2016
Lone Star Wind Orchestra Tenor saxophonist	September 18, 2016

Fort Worth Symphony Orchestra Tenor saxophonist <i>Bolero</i> by Maurice Ravel	October 2-4, 2015
Fort Worth Symphony Orchestra Tenor saxophonist featuring Doc Severinsen	September 26, 2015
Fort Worth Symphony Orchestra Tenor saxophonist <i>Romeo and Juliet</i> by Sergei Prokofiev	February 13-15, 2015

Solo and Chamber

UNT Saxophone Ensemble Tenor saxophonist	October 29, 2022
UNT Concerto Competition Concerto soloist <i>Concertino</i> by Jeanine Rueff	September 26, 2022
Q365 Saxophone Quartet Tenor saxophonist	September 19, 2022
Lone Star Saxophone Quartet Alto saxophonist Tarrant County College Composers Recital	July 26, 2022
Lone Star Saxophone Quartet Tenor saxophonist <i>Recitation Book</i> by David Maslanka	October 13, 2020
McKinney North High School Honors Band Alto saxophonist <i>Escapades</i> by John Williams	May 17, 2018
Lone Star Saxophone Quartet Featured ensemble with the Lone Star Wind Orchestra Tenor saxophonist <i>Spacious Skies</i> by Bruce Broughton	January 28, 2018
Faubion Middle School Honors Orchestra Alto saxophonist <i>Aria</i> by Heitor Villa-Lobos	December 6, 2016
Texas Saxophone Quartet Featured ensemble with the Texas A&M Commerce Percussion Ensemble Baritone saxophonist <i>Blue City Scenes</i> by Patrick Glen Harper	November 3, 2016
Lone Star Saxophone Quartet North American Saxophone Alliance Regional Conference Tenor saxophonist <i>Songs for the Coming Day</i> by David Maslanka	March 8, 2015
TCU Symphony Orchestra Concerto soloist <i>Concerto for Alto Saxophone</i> by Henri Tomasi	February 4, 2014

TCU Symphony Orchestra February 9, 2010
 Concerto soloist | *Concerto for Alto Saxophone* by Alexander Glazunov

Conducting

TMEA Region 2 All-Region Jazz Band	November 12, 2022
Young Saxophonists Institute Saxophone Choir	July 1, 2022
TCU Saxophone Workshop Saxophone Ensemble	June 22, 2022
TCU Saxophone Choir	December 8, 2021
TCU Saxophone Ensembles	November 2, 2021
Virtual Saxophone Choir 2.0	May 18, 2020
Virtual Saxophone Choir	April 6, 2020
Cockrill Middle School Saxophone Ensemble Texas Music Educators Association Clinic and Convention	February 14, 2020
Cockrill Middle School Saxophone Ensemble	February 9, 2020
Cockrill Middle School Saxophone Ensemble	January 23, 2020
Young Saxophonists Institute Saxophone Choir	June 21, 2019
McKinney Saxophone Choir	May 13, 2019
McKinney Saxophone Choir	May 14, 2018
McKinney Saxophone Choir	May 8, 2017
Plano East Cluster Saxophone Choir	February 6, 2017
McKinney Saxophone Choir	May 9, 2016
McKinney Saxophone Choir	May 2, 2015
TCU Jazz Ensemble	March 29, 2014

Consulting, Masterclasses, and Adjudicating

TMEA Region 2 All-Region Jazz Band Guest clinician and conductor	November 11-12, 2022
Young Saxophonist's Institute Masterclass with Dr. Stephen Page Site coordinator	September 10, 2022
Dallas County Community College Saxophone Day	September 3, 2022

Masterclass clinician and performer	
Young Saxophonist's Institute Site coordinator, quartet coach, and music arranger	June 26-July 1, 2022
TCU Saxophone Workshop Coordinator and lead instructor	June 21-22, 2022
Sam Houston State University Music Education Workshop Masterclass/Lecture: Teaching Beginning Saxophone	June 8, 2022
Sam Houston State University Summer Band Camp Saxophone instructor Music composition instructor	June 5-9, 2022
Tarrant County College Summer Composition Class Guest masterclass with Lone Star Saxophone Quartet	June 1, 2022
Texas A&M Commerce Saxophone Studio Guest masterclass instructor	January 31, 2022
Texas Christian University All-State Workshop Masterclass instructor	November 14, 2021
Maus Middle School Guest masterclass instructor	October 15, 2021
Dowell Middle School Masterclass instructor	October 7, 2021
Dowell Middle School Masterclass instructor	September 17, 2021
Colleyville Middle School Guest masterclass instructor	January 31, 2020
Stafford Middle School Guest masterclass instructor	October 18, 2019
Maus Middle School Guest masterclass instructor	October 16, 2019
Maus Middle School Guest masterclass instructor	September 20, 2019
Colleyville Middle School Guest masterclass instructor	September 7, 2019

Julie Jones Saxophone Studio Guest judge and clinician – All-State Jazz	September 2, 2019
Reynolds Middle School Guest masterclass instructor	July 31, 2019
Young Saxophonists Institute Staff member, quartet coach and music arranger Masterclass: <i>The Art of Arranging for Saxophone Ensemble</i>	June 24-28, 2019
Young Saxophonists Institute Site coordinator, quartet coach and music arranger Masterclass: <i>Just Play!: An Introduction to Jazz Improvisation</i>	June 17-21, 2019
Sam Houston State University Summer Band Camp Saxophone instructor Jazz class instructor	June 9-13, 2019
TCU Jazz Festival Guest jazz ensemble clinician	March 23, 2019
Colleyville Middle School Guest masterclass instructor	November 30, 2018
Colleyville Middle School Guest masterclass instructor	October 19, 2018
Stafford Middle School Guest masterclass instructor	September 29, 2018
Maus Middle School Guest masterclass instructor	September 7, 2018
Colleyville Middle School Guest masterclass instructor	September 1, 2018
Young Saxophonists Institute Staff member, quartet coach and music arranger Masterclass: <i>Just Play!: An Introduction to Jazz Improvisation</i>	June 25-29, 2018
Sam Houston State University Summer Band Camp Saxophone instructor Jazz class instructor	June 12-18, 2018
Prosper High School Guest jazz improvisation clinician	April 27, 2018
TCU Jazz Festival	March 24, 2018

Guest jazz ensemble adjudicator	
Colleyville Middle School	January 24, 2018
Guest masterclass instructor	
Texas Youth Saxophone Ensemble	December 9, 2017
Guest clinician and arranger	
Plano East Senior High School	November 15, 2017
Guest adjudicator and clinician	
Maus Middle School	September 9, 2017
Guest masterclass instructor	
TCU Jazz Festival	March 25, 2017
Guest jazz ensemble clinician	
Maus Middle School	September 10, 2016
Guest masterclass instructor	

Sponsorships

Légère Reeds	2014-present
Performing Artist and Clinician	

Student Honors and Achievements

Polaris Quartet wins third place in Houston Underground Saxophone Competition	2022
Tristan Goo selected as winner of McKinney Middle School Concerto Competition	2022
Micah Barker selected as winner of McKinney Concerto Competition	2022
Alejandro Zavala selected to final round of McKinney Concerto Competition	2022
Wyatt Grose admitted to University of Southern California graduate school	2022
Blake Paull selected to the Texas All-State Band (1 st chair overall)	2022
Coleman Kading selected as 2 nd Place Winner of TCU Concerto Competition	2021
Daniel White selected to the Texas All-State Band	2021
Matthew Sligar admitted to Berklee College of Music	2020
Saxophone ensemble invited performance at Texas Music Educators Conference	2020
Matthew Sligar selected to the Texas All-State Band	2020

Carley Allen selected to final round of McKinney Concerto Competition	2019
Matthew Fernandez admitted to Sam Houston State University School of Music	2019
Carley Allen selected to the Texas All-State Band	2018
Matthew Sligar selected as winner of McKinney Concerto Competition	2018
Carley Allen selected to final round of McKinney Concerto Competition	2018
Daniel White selected to final round of McKinney Concerto Competition	2018
Kyle Jurovic admitted to Texas State University School of Music	2017
Kyle Jurovic selected to the Texas All-State Band	2017
Richland College student Andres Martinez awarded music scholarship to TCU	2016
Kyle Jurovic selected to the Texas All-State Band	2016
Kyle Jurovic selected to the Texas All-State Band	2015

Professional Memberships

Member, American Federation of Musicians

Member, College Music Society

Member, North American Saxophone Alliance

Member, Texas Jazz Educators Association

Member, Texas Music Educators Association

Instructors

Saxophone

Mr. Joe Eckert, Professor of Saxophone and Director of Jazz Studies, TCU

Dr. Eric Nestler, Professor of Saxophone and Coordinator of Woodwinds, UNT

Flute

Dr. Kristen Queen, Director of Academic Resource Center and Instructor of Flute, TCU

