

NCMTA CONFERENCE 2016 PRESENTERS

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Wake Forest University

Friday, October 21, 2016

1:00-1:50 pm Chen Yi's Pedagogical Piano Works: A Stylistic Analysis and Performance Interpretation

Yee Wing Chan is currently pursuing a Certificate in Advanced Performance Studies at East Carolina University. She received an M.M. in Piano Pedagogy from the same institution in 2014, and an M.M. in Music Theory from Florida State University in 2010. Additionally, she holds a B.M. in Piano Performance (summa cum laude) from Meredith College, where she was a recipient of the Theodore Presser Award for Excellence in Music.

An active member of MTNA, Yee Wing has served as the President of its collegiate chapter at ECU and the state chair of the NCMTA Piano Contest-Festival. She has adjudicated piano festivals and contests in North Carolina, and coordinated the monthly concert series in the Norman Public Library in Oklahoma.

Teaching occupies a special place among her passions. Throughout her graduate studies, she has taught class piano, music theory and aural skills courses to both undergraduate music majors and non-music majors. Presently, she teaches private piano lessons to pre-college and adult students in Greenville, NC. She enjoys reading and painting in her spare time.

1:00-1:50 Fun Educational Activities for Summer and Throughout the Year

Patricia Polickoski (Pat) King began piano lessons at age seven. She attended, Seton Hill College (now a University), where she majored in Music Education. After teaching in a private school in Asheville for a year, she attended the University of North Carolina at Greensboro and earned a Master's degree in Music Education. She has continually worked in church music ministry with many different denominations, and has maintained a private teaching studio. She taught general music for the Masters Academy of Fine Arts (MAFA) from 2008 to 2010. She is a member of the Greensboro Music Teachers Association since 1993 where she has served as Vice-President, Treasurer, Board Member At-Large, Fall Recital Chair, and Publicity Chair. She has served also as Coordinator for the Young Artists Scholarship Competition, and on the Committee for Playathon, an annual event to raise funds for music scholarships to college and to summer music camps. In March 2010, she received her National Certification. Ms. King is currently serving as the North

Carolina Music Teachers Association Piano Performance Festival Chair. In this position she is organizing 10 statewide competitions. She was hired in 2014 as an Adjunct Faculty to Guilford Technical Community College to teach Class Piano. Ms. King also served as the Greensboro Chair for the National Piano Playing Auditions in 2016.

3:00-3:50 College Faculty Forum: Rossini and What? – A DIY for Creating Repertoire

Cellist **Brooks Whitehouse** has performed throughout the US and abroad, holding Artists-in-Residence positions at SUNY Stony Brook, the Guild Hall in East Hampton, NY, the University of Virginia and The Tanglewood Music Center. As founding members of The Guild Trio Whitehouse and his wife, violinist Janet Orenstein won both the "USIA Artistic Ambassador" and "Chamber Music Yellow Springs" competitions, and with that ensemble they have performed and held master classes throughout the United States and Canada, as well as in Norway, Turkey, the former Yugoslavia, Belgium, Luxembourg, Germany, Portugal, France and Australia. As a soloist Whitehouse has appeared with orchestras around the country, including the Boston Pops, the New England Chamber Orchestra, the Boise Philharmonic, and the Nashua, New Brunswick, Billings, Owensboro and Winston-Salem Symphonies. He has recorded for Bridge Records and the Centaur, CRI, and Innova labels, and is Associate Professor of Cello at UNCSA.

Cellist Brooks Whitehouse and Bassist Paul Sharpe are **Low & Lower**, America's #1-selling cello bass duo. This ensemble's performances are a mash-up of artistry, virtuosity, and satire. With MacGyver-like determination they create, inspire and commission works using only the limited materials at hand - a cello, a bass, two voices, a sense of humor, a touch of theater, and a willingness to do almost anything.

Paul Sharpe is the Artist-Teacher of Double Bass at UNCSA and principal bass with the Winston-Salem Symphony Orchestra. Sharpe is a founding member of two ground-breaking ensembles, the Bad Boyz of Double Bass (bass quartet); and Low and Lower (cello/double bass duo), with cellist Brooks Whitehouse. Both ensembles successfully skewer traditional expectations of concert-goers with genre-defying arrangements and new compositions - blending theatre, humor, and virtuosity. As a recitalist he has performed all over the world – including the Paris Conservatory, Wrocław (Poland) Conservatory, multiple venues in Brazil, Cleveland Institute, and the University of Michigan. Prior to coming to UNCSA, he served on the faculties of the Preucil School of Music, Augustana College, Texas Tech University, and University of North Texas. He earned his Bachelor's degree with Jeff Bradetich at Northwestern University, and earned his Master's degree from the University of Iowa, studying with Diana Gannett. While a student he earned fellowships to the Los Angeles Philharmonic Institute, Tanglewood Music Center, the Pacific Music Festival (Sapporo, Japan), Festival dei Due Mondi (Spoleto, Italy), and Aspen Music Festival. In 1996 Mr. Sharpe won the E. Nakamichi Double Bass

Concerto Competition at Aspen, and in 1997 he was a prizewinner at the International Society of Bassists Solo Competition.

3:00-3:50 Organ Session: Big Pieces for a Big Space!

Mary Lou Kapp Peeples earned her music degrees at Salem College and the Eastman School of Music, where she studied with Margaret and John Mueller and Russell Saunders. She studied privately with renowned organist Marie-Claire Alain for two years in Paris, where she also served as assistant organist/choirmaster for Susan Landale at St. George's Anglican Church, as harpsichord accompanist for flute students of Jean-Pierre Rampal, and was nominated for the finals in the Chartres International Organ Competition. She has performed numerous recitals in the United States and France, and was the first American to present an organ recital at *Église St. Louis des Invalides*, the French military church. For more than twenty years she and her husband, Wade, were Professors of Music at Judson College, where they received several awards for teaching excellence.

4:00 pm – 4:50 pm Your Ear Drum: The Most Important Instrument in Your Studio

John R. Beck has been a member of the faculty at the University of North Carolina School of the Arts since 1998, and Wake Forest University since 2005, and is a performer with the Winston-Salem and Greensboro Symphony orchestras, Brass Band of Battle Creek, and the Philidor Percussion Group. He is a former member of the United States Marine Band and for 10 years performed regularly with the National and Baltimore Symphonies, Washington and Baltimore Operas, and the Theater Chamber Players of the Kennedy Center. Beck has toured the United States as a xylophone soloist with the Jack Daniel's Silver Cornet Band, Brass Band of Battle Creek, and the New Sousa Band. He is a Past President of the Percussive Arts Society and presents clinics endorsing Yamaha percussion instruments, Zildjian cymbals, and Innovative mallets.

Dr. Brandon E. Robinson is currently the Associate Director of Bands at Wake Forest University where his responsibilities include marching band (SOTOGAB), wind ensemble, jazz ensembles, and pep bands. Dr. Robinson earned a BME and a MM in instrumental conducting from Arkansas State University in Jonesboro, AR, and a Ph.D. in music education from the University of Mississippi. Prior to Dr. Robinson's graduate work at Ole Miss, he served on the music faculty at Alcorn State University, and also taught in the public schools in Arkansas for twelve years. Dr. Robinson's bands consistently received superior ratings in all areas, including marching band, concert band, and jazz band. Dr. Robinson is the president and owner of BERmusic. Services include: student leadership workshops, custom music arrangements, custom drill design, marching/concert/jazz band clinics, and consulting.

4:00-4:50 Top Ten Techniques to Improve your Students' Sight Reading

Sean Slade studied piano performance and pedagogy for 6 years with Paul Pollei, founder of the Gina Bachauer International Piano Competition. He is co-creator of the Standard Assessment of Sight Reading and the world reknown Piano Marvel app. He consults and trains teachers, colleges, and universities on how to use technology to engage music students at a higher level of neurological learning.

Saturday, October 22, 2016

9:30 am-10:20 am Twenty Fingers, One Bench – Let's Kickstart a New Piano Duet Event!

Kerry Henry, NCTM, resides in Chapel Hill and teaches with two partner teachers at her studios in Durham. She grew up in Columbia, SC, having studied with her mother for nine years and moving on to her college professor, Robyn Gibson, for six years. She remembers well the days of competing in the MTNA auditions during her high school and college years.

Kerry has served on the NCMTA board in various capacities since 1999 and chaired three separate competitions (both local and state level). She especially enjoys teaching pre-teens, teens, and adults and is an active performer and presenter in her community with her duet partner of fifteen years, Tonya Kirk.

Music aside, Kerry loves physical fitness (weight training, certified Pure Barre instructor since May 2016), cats, chocolate, and all things associated with nature. **Tonya Kirk**, NCTM, holds degrees from Mississippi College where she completed her Master of Music in Piano Performance and Bachelor of Music in Education. Ms. Kirk's teachers have included Ann Kay, Ray Harris, Ralph Taylor, and Patricia Walston. Before moving to North Carolina in 2000, Ms. Kirk taught piano, music theory, and music history and was awarded the distinction Who's Who Among American Teachers. In 2001, Ms. Kirk was awarded MTNA's Teacher Enrichment Grant to study the solo piano works of Dave Brubeck. Using this research, she wrote a lecture series incorporating Brubeck's works into the piano studio. Ms. Kirk's most recent musical venture was a pedagogical workshop, given with her duet partner Kerry Henry, on duets composed from 2008-2012. Ms. Kirk adjudicates throughout the state, gives master classes for private studios, and performs as a soloist, duet partner, and accompanist. Ms. Kirk has served on NCMTA's board since 2004, holding positions as Community Outreach Chair, MTNA Competition Chair, Composition Competition Chair, Vice-President (Membership) and Vice-President (MTNA Foundation). Ms. Kirk resides with her family in Durham where she maintains a private studio.

9:30-10:20 The Gamelan and the Music of Bali

Dr. Elizabeth Clendinning is an Assistant Professor of Music at WFU specializing in ethnomusicology. She is a graduate of Florida State University and The University of Chicago. She previously was Visiting Instructor in Ethnomusicology and Director of World Music at Emory University. Elizabeth currently serves as cochair for the Society for Ethnomusicology Section on the Status of Women and is past president of the Southeast and Caribbean Chapter of the Society for Ethnomusicology. Elizabeth's research addresses concepts of space, time, cultural representation, and pedagogy within transnational Balinese gamelan communities and in film and television music. She has conducted field research in Bali and across the US. Her work has been published in: *Buffy, Ballads, and Bad Guys Who Sing*; *Music in the Worlds of Joss Whedon*; *The Grove Dictionary of American Music, 2nd ed.*; and *Music Around the World: A Global Encyclopedia* (ABC-CLIO). She has forthcoming articles in a variety of journals and her current book project focuses on gamelan and the historiography of American ethnomusicology.

11:00 am-11:50 am Voice Workshop: Bel Canto Spice for Old Italian Songs

Teresa Radomski is Professor of Voice at Wake Forest University, where she has taught since 1977. Her extensive teaching, performing and research experience has contributed to the successful training of numerous undergraduates, many of whom have active professional careers in opera, musical theatre, popular music, voice teaching, and choral conducting. She holds degrees from the Eastman School of Music and the University of Colorado, and a Fellowship in Otolaryngology from the Wake Forest University Center for Voice Disorders. Her publications include articles on vocal pedagogy and the first critical editions of two nineteenth century salon operas by Manuel García, Sr. (1775-1832): *L'isola disabitata* and *Un avvertimento ai gelosi* (A-R Editions, c. 2006, 2015). Her bicentenary tribute to Manuel García, Jr. (1805-1906) for the International Congress of Voice Teachers Sixth Conference subsequently appeared as an article in *THE AUSTRALIAN VOICE* (2005). She is a member of the National Association of Teachers of Singing.

12:00-1:00 Of Pianos and Palaces: Reflections on the Classical Music Festival Eisenstadt Summer Academy

Katherine Barton received her Bachelor of Music in Piano Performance, summa cum laude, from Meredith College, studying with Margaret Evans. She performed twice with the Raleigh Symphony as a winner of the Meredith College Concerto/Aria Competition; she also received awards in MTNA's Young Artist Performance Competitions and in Southeastern Community College's Sharyn Edwards Competition. In the summer of 2015, Katherine performed in recitals and masterclasses as a participant in the International Young Artists Project in Tuscany, studying with Kent Lyman, Hector Moreno and Francesco Attesti. A member of

MTNA and Raleigh Piano Teachers Association, Katherine teaches at Kerry Henry Piano Studios as well as at her private studio in Cary.

1:10-2:00 pm String Session: The Guitar's Role in the Piano Repertoire of Spanish Composers

Patricia Dixon Assistant Professor of the Practice in Music at Wake Forest, Mrs. Dixon received her Bachelor in Music at the University of the North Carolina School of the Arts, and her Masters in Music at the University of North Carolina in Greensboro.

She has performed in Spain, South America and the United States, appearing as a soloist in university artist series, in chamber music concerts, and has been featured with orchestras in Santiago, Chile, and the United States. She has presented lecture/recitals at the North Carolina Center for the Advancement of Teaching, the Cincinnati College-Music Conservatory, and the University of the North Carolina School of the Arts, among many others.

In 1989 she directed the Second American Guitar Congress, hosted at Wake Forest University. Her contributions to the guitar repertoire include commissioned works for solo guitar, chamber music with guitar, and guitar and orchestra. Her recent CD features the music of composer Jeffrey Van on the Centaur label.

Mrs. Dixon directs the Wake Forest Guitar Series which brings national and international artists to the region.

Haochen Wu, from Beijing, China, is a sophomore at Wake Forest University, pursuing a double major in mathematics and music. He played the violin for more than 11 years before college life but I gave it up when he found his deep love in classical guitar and vocal music. In addition to his math and music studies, he is also a competitive athlete and personal trainer.

2:10 pm-3:00 pm

Voice Session: Above and Beyond

Wendy Martelli attended Temple College of Music, majoring in Voice Performance. There she studied voice with Florence Berggren, and also worked with emeritus Martin, Rich, the vocal coach at the Metropolitan Opera in New York. She was named soloist for Philadelphia's Music Festival, sang at the United Nations in New York, and was featured soloist in various operas and concerts.

In 2007, she moved to North Carolina where she teaches voice and piano in Wake County. She is a member of the National Association of Teachers of Singing, as well as the North Carolina Music Teachers Association. Wendy lives in Cary with her husband Jeff, and three sons who share her love of music.

2:10-3:00 pm Beyond Für Elise: Stimulating Repertoire for Teacher and Student

Kevin T. Chance, NCTM, serves as Assistant Professor of Piano at the University of Alabama where he also chairs the piano area. He has performed throughout the United States, Mexico, Europe, and Asia as both soloist and chamber musician, and he is frequently in demand as a clinician and adjudicator. Recent presentations include lectures for the Music Teachers National Association Conference, the American Matthey Association, and the College Music Society. A dedicated teacher, his students consistently receive top awards in state, regional, and national competitions. Dr. Chance holds degrees from the Eastman School of Music, Louisiana State University, and Birmingham-Southern College, and his primary teachers include Barry Snyder, Constance Knox Carroll, and William DeVan. He is also an alumnus of the Aspen Music Festival where he studied with Ann Schein and Herbert Stessin. He currently serves on the national board of MTNA as the Southern Division Director.

3:10 pm-4:00 pm Wellness Workshop: Alexander Technique-- Tools for Improving Performance

Susan C. Perkins earned her undergraduate degree from the University North Carolina School of the Arts and earned her Master's Degree in Violin Performance from Florida State University. In 2001 Susan moved to New York City to study the Alexander Technique at the American Center for the Alexander Technique in Manhattan, a rigorous three year program entailing 1600 hours of study. As a Nationally Certified Teacher of the Alexander Technique since 2004, Susan teaches the Alexander Technique to people who have back trouble, postural issues, musicians who have physical difficulties performing, or people who want to improve their overall health and well being. She completed John Nicholls post graduate course "The Carrington Way of Working" in NYC in 2016. In addition to maintaining a busy private practice in Winston Salem, Susan also teaches the Alexander Technique at Salem College, Wake Forest University, and University of North Carolina School of the Arts.

3:50 pm-4:40 pm Premiere Performance of the 2016 MTNA Commissioned Composition "Suite for Harpsichord on an Azeri Mode" in four movements

John Haines (MTNA commissioned composer) is the Director of Worship at Christ Covenant Church, Matthews, NC (Charlotte). He is also the Director of the Institute for Sacred Music and Liturgy, a partnership with Saint Andrew's Theological College and Seminary where he serves as Interim Academic Dean. He received his Th.D. and M.Bib.Th. from Saint Andrew's; an M.M. from the Eastman School of Music; and a B.A. in piano performance from Colorado Christian University. He studied arranging and composition with Samuel Adler and conducting with Donald Neuen and David

Effron. Haines is a prolific composer, arranger, and orchestrator of sacred music with a recent publication of Gregorian Chant set to the Canonical Hours in a multi-volume set published by Saint Andrew's Press, "The Saint Andrew's Plainchant Breviary".

John Haines has made numerous professional exchange trips to Baku, Azerbaijan, where he has given lectures on clavichord performance and construction. In 2010 Haines was commissioned to write an orchestral suite for a national celebration of the Hajibeyov Museum. Haines studied the folk theory works of Hajibeyov and, captivated by their beauty, decided to write this harpsichord suite in honor of his good friend, Serdar Farakov, composer in residence and director of the Hajibeyov Museum. The suite is written within the technical abilities of a good High School pianist, so as to encourage young players to pursue early keyboard performance as a part of their palate of interests.

5:00 pm-6:00 pm .2016 CONFERENCE HOST CONCERT

Born in Los Angeles, **Peter Kairoff** received Master's and Doctoral degrees in music performance from the University of Southern California. He also studied in Italy for two years as a Fulbright Scholar and Rotary International Fellow. Professor of Music at Wake Forest University, he has performed as pianist and harpsichordist in Berlin, Rio de Janeiro, Venice, New York, Los Angeles, Shanghai, and many other musical centers. Critics have noted his "Meticulous accuracy and profound musicality. One of America's finest keyboard performers." (Oxford MAIL, England). His recordings of late-19th Century American music have also received enthusiastic reviews from the Washington Post, Fanfare, ClassicsToday.com, and many others.

In addition to performing and teaching, he also is the Director of Wake Forest's campus in [Venice](#), Italy, where he spends two months each year.

Recent performances include Rome, Sofia, Bucharest, Prague, Carcassonne (France), Iowa City, Las Vegas, San Antonio, Hangzhou (China), and many other venues.

Violinist **Jacqui Carrasco** has performed as a soloist and chamber musician throughout the United States, Canada, Europe, Japan, Mexico and Russia, including solo appearances at Lincoln Center's Alice Tully Hall and at the Library of Congress and chamber music concerts with the Cassatt String Quartet. Since moving to North Carolina in 1999, Ms. Carrasco has been featured in solo and chamber music performances at Duke University; the UNC campuses in Chapel Hill, Greensboro, and Wilmington; Music at Blowing Rock; the Foothills Chamber Music Festival; Chamber Music at St. Peter's in Charlotte; and with the Mallarmé Chamber Players and the Salisbury Symphony. She was appointed violinist of the Carolina Piano Trio in 2005, and since 2008 has co-directed the Carolina Summer Music Festival in Winston-Salem. Before joining the faculty at Wake Forest, Ms. Carrasco taught at Princeton University. From 1992-2002, Ms. Carrasco was the violinist of the acclaimed contemporary music ensemble Cygnus and also appeared regularly with New York City-based new music groups such as the S.E.M. Ensemble, Anthony Braxton's Tri-Centric Ensemble, Newband and Musicians Accord. Ms. Carrasco has toured

extensively with the Mark Morris Dance Group and been a frequent guest at the June in Buffalo Festival at SUNY Buffalo. She has recorded contemporary chamber music for the Nonesuch, Koch, Mode, CRI, Albany and Braxton House record labels. As a noted performer of Argentine tango music, Ms. Carrasco has appeared with cellist Yo-Yo Ma in concert and on television, as soloist with the Philadelphia Orchestra, with the New York Buenos Aires Connection at Lincoln Center's Midsummer Night Swing, and most recently with the Brenda Angiel Aerial Dance Company at the 2010 American Dance Festival. She has also been active as a jazz violinist, and her versatile skills have been featured in commercial, film and theater music, as well as on her CD *Since We Met* with the Jazz Strings Project. Ms. Carrasco received her B.A., magna cum laude, from UCLA, and her M.M. and D.M.A. from Stony Brook University, where she studied with Joyce Robbins

Evan Richey studied with Robert Marsh at the University of North Carolina School of the Arts and Lynn Harrell at the Juilliard School of Music. He has served as Assistant Principal Cellist in the Greensboro Symphony Orchestra and has been a member of or performed with the New Jersey Symphony, the Colorado Philharmonic and the Concordia Orchestra. Evan was a founding member of the West Side Chamber Players in New York City and a frequent guest performer at the Saugatuck Chamber Music Festival in Saugatuck, Michigan. He has played on Broadway in shows such as "Phantom of the Opera", "The King and I" and "An Inspector Calls", and has performed live on National Public Radio both as a soloist and a chamber musician. Recent performances include solo and chamber music concerts for the Carolina Summer Music Festival and at Wake Forest University and Davidson College.

Evan and his brother Craig co-founded The Place, a recording studio in NYC, and during The Place's 14 years of operation, they engineered and produced recordings with artists from independent as well as major record labels from many musical genres and styles including classical, folk, jazz, pop, rock and musical theater. Since moving to Winston-Salem, NC in 1999, Evan's musical and technical skills as a producer continue to be recognized nationally by leading industry professionals. He is the owner of Ovation Sound, a state-of-the-art recording studio that not only produces and records various artists but also creates music and sound design for multi-media applications. Evan has produced audio for national and international corporations and markets. He has produced many classical recordings released by Centaur, Bridge and Albany records, among others, and his live recordings have been aired on national programs such as NPR's Performance Today.

Sunday, October 24, 2016

8:30 am - 9:10 am Motivating Students to Practice: Applying neurological tools and techniques to engage students

Sean Slade (see Friday, September 22)

Valerie Kasmir served 13 years as a Music teacher in the Public School sector. She has been teaching, performing, recording, and writing music for over 29 years. Valerie's Master thesis was on "The Benefits of Group Piano Lessons." Music is her passion, which exudes through her teaching.

Walter Kasmir, RN, PhD, Doctor of Philosophy in Integrative Medicine and EEG Neurofeedback Neurotherapy. He was the Practitioner at Neuro-Maestro Therapeutics, Mooresville, NC – Providing Health Coaching, Biofeedback, Brainwave entrainment, and Neurofeedback.

9:20 am – 10:00 am May the Fourth be with you! – Jazz Chords Decoded .

Jacob Womack, DMA, NCTM, is Instructor of Music and Collaborative Pianist at Concord University. He is a nationally certified teacher of piano and is the president of the West Virginia Music Teachers Association. He holds a DMA in Piano Performance from West Virginia University, MM in Piano Performance and Pedagogy from Penn State University, and BM in Music Education from West Virginia University.

10:05 am - 10:35 am Beyond Third Stream: The Piano Music of Henry Martin

Dr. Karen Rice teaches applied piano, class piano, and additional music courses at Winston-Salem State University. She holds a D.M.A. and M.M. in piano performance from UNC-Greensboro and a B.A. in piano performance from Eastern Mennonite University in Harrisonburg, VA. In addition to overseeing the WSSU piano area, Dr. Rice is involved with research in the areas of music and women's studies and the piano works of Third Stream composer, Henry Martin. She has served as Competitions Chair for the North Carolina Music Teachers Association, taught at the UNC-Greensboro Summer Piano Camp, and participated regularly in presentations, adjudications, and solo and collaborative performances.

10:40 am - 11:10 am Liszt's Last Words

Louis Goldstein was co-founder and co-director of the California New Music Ensemble and an associate member of the Los Angeles Group for Contemporary Music and Newband, in New York City. His CD recordings of John Cage's Sonatas and Interludes, Dream, and One5, and Morton Feldman's Triadic Memories have garnered accolades from print and internet sources as well as fellow musicians ("One of the most beautiful piano recordings ever made," Fanfare; "The year's best piano release," La Folia). His most recent recording, of Morton Feldman's For Bunita Marcus (Nuscope Recordings), ranked in the top 10 modern composition recordings of 2010 by The Wire Magazine.

In 2012 Goldstein conceived and curated a 7-week, 15-event celebration honoring John Cage during his centennial year. In 2013 he was cast as the on-stage pianist, performing Beethoven's Diabelli Variations, in Festival Stage Winston-Salem's production of Moises Kaufman's award winning play 33 Variations. Also in 2013 Goldstein received the Jon Reinhardt Award for Distinguished Teaching at Wake Forest University. Louis Goldstein holds degrees from Oberlin College Conservatory of Music (BM), California Institute of the Arts (MFA), and Eastman School of Music (DMA and Performer's Certificate). He is a professor of music at Wake Forest University.