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EDUCATION

Brigham Young University

Apr 2024

Bachelor of Music: 2024, Emphasis in Piano Performance

Provo, UT

Minor in Art History & Curatorial Studies

- GPA 3.70
- BYU Leonard Pennario Scholarship

EXPERIENCE

Lehi High School UMEA Competition

May 13, 2023

Choir Pianist

Lehi, UT and Salt Lake City, UT

- Collaborated with director to prepare 2 works by living Australian Composer for 17 choir members
- Composer expressed appreciation and praise of technique and musicality in his work

College Music Society

March 2023

Conference Presenter

San Angelo, TX

- One of 5 undergraduate student presenters at CMS conference, all other presenters were doctoral students and university professors
- Developed, scripted and rehearsed Empowering Collegiate Music Students as Agents of Change presentation with 7 students
- Presented to 30-40 faculty and DMA students, encouraged faculty to consider inviting undergraduate students

Vezzoso Music Academy

Jul 2022 - October 2022

Youth Choir Accompanist

Draper, UT

- Accurately interpret the director's preferred dynamics and shape the music accordingly
- Communicate concepts of musical phrasing and voice parts clearly to 10 students
- Improved musical understanding of youth within 2 rehearsals

Art City Music Academy

Sep 2021-Present

Recital and Rehearsal Accompanist

Springville UT

- Coached 10+ musical theatre student singers through their repertoire with accompaniment
- Adjusted accompaniment scores and timbres to highlight singer's voices at rehearsals and recitals

Heber Valley Piano Festival

Mar 2022, Mar 2023

Festival Adjudicator

Heber UT

- Critiqued and evaluated 75+ young student performances in judges' notes
- Encouraged students with detailed constructive feedback to improve future performances

MTNA Private Studio

Jun 2022

Festival Adjudicator

Provo, UT

- Guided and encouraged young students through piano competition pressure
- Communicated 2-3 specific constructive comments for the next performance

Art City Music Academy

Sep 2021

Festival Adjudicator

Springville UT

- Advised students on stage presence, stylistic and musical details through detailed adjudicator notes
- Collaborated with another festival judge to evaluate performers and select competition winners

Intermountain Suzuki String Institute

Workshop Accompanist

Jun 2021
West Valley UT

- Combined violin melody with piano accompaniment to create a more realistic performance experience for class of 30 students
- Collaborated with 2 Suzuki teachers to create optimal learning environment for students

PERFORMANCE EXPERIENCE

Proverst Elementary - Community Engagement in Music course

Interactive Concert Performer

Nov 2022
Provo UT

- Applied course concepts by choosing a concert theme and planning performances with musicians playing 5 different instruments
- Scripted 1/3 of the 45 minute program
- Performed an interactive concert for 40 students so that they could move their bodies, answer questions and participate in making music in order to learn musical concepts

BYU Celtic Ensemble

Performer

Sep 2022-Present
Provo UT

- Arranged, transposed and sight read repertoire for School of Music performances within 1 month's notice
- Collaborated with 11 musicians to create unique folk arrangements for the ensemble
- Performed as the single pianist in the Celtic Folk Ensemble

Vienna Music Study Abroad

Vocal Accompanist

Apr 2022- Jun 2022
Vienna, Austria

- Enhanced performances of classical art songs by participating in acting and diction lessons with singers
- Trained with Viennese professionals on accompanying technique, acting, styling and musicality

TEDx BYU

Lobby Pianist

Nov 2022
Provo UT

- Created an inviting atmosphere for TEDx patrons by playing pre program Classical music
- Selected, rehearsed and performed tailored repertoire within 2 weeks notice

BYU School of Music Stories of Our Time Concert

Collaborator, Composer and Performer

Feb 2022
Provo UT

- Composed original theme and content for a 5 minute 7 page piece celebrating world cultures
- Conceptualized notes, shaping and dynamics with composer
- Blended ideas into dynamic visual and audio presentation incorporating an original painting augmented with photographs
- Premiered final composition in Stories of Our Time collaborative concert 80+ people attended

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

Deer Valley Music Festival

Volunteer

Jun 2021-Aug 2021
Park City UT

- Escorted and assisted 100+ patrons to their special VIP seating while demonstrating a relaxed and happy feeling through which they would enjoy the experience
- Oriented patrons to the venue and facilities to ensure quality service and customer satisfaction

BYUSA

Arts Committee Member

Aug 2022-Present
Provo, UT

- Coordinated with 7 team members to organize and plan a successful school wide talent show
- Communicated with team members on various tasks to facilitate positive results

BYU Residence Hall Association

Hall council member

Aug 2022-Present
Provo UT

- Designed weekly professional development hall activities tailored to students' needs
- Evaluated activity success, critiqued and brainstormed new activities for the next month
- Implemented constructive feedback given by students increasing attendance and enjoyment

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints

Aug 2022-Present

Choir Director

Provo, UT

- Selected choir requested worship music to create an uplifting environment within congregation of 200 people
- Conducted weekly rehearsals with 50+ adults blending their voices with desired dynamics into a cohesive whole voice

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints

Jul 2018-Dec 2019

*Full time representative**Bangkok, Thailand*

- Adapted lesson plans to specific questions and individual concerns leading to positive changes in lifestyle
- Instructed beginning ESL weekly courses to 10-20 Thai individuals
- Developed and taught basic Thai curriculum for international students desiring to learn and speak Thai.

SKILLS/INTERESTS/ACHIEVEMENTS/ABILITIES

- Conversational Thai, Conversational Mandarin Chinese, Conversational French
- American Protege Piano and Strings Competition Winner with a Carnegie Hall performance
- Ballroom and Folk Dancer