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### Education

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<b>The University of Georgia-Athens, Hugh Hodgson School of Music</b> Doctorate of Musical Arts, Guitar Performance	In Progress
<b>The University of Louisville, School of Music</b> Master of Music, Instrumental Performance, Applied String Pedagogy	2015-2017
<b>The University of Memphis, Rudi E. Schiedt School of Music</b> Bachelor of Music, Music Education, Choral Concentration Magna Cum Laude Certification in K-12 Music in Tennessee and Kentucky	2011-2015
<b>Riverdale High School</b> Advanced Academic High School Diploma	2007-2011

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### Professional Experience

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Co-Founder & Coordinator of Festival Activities Ghana National Music Festival-Ghana, Africa	Current
Director of Education and Outreach Louisville Guitar Society	2015-2017
Artistic Director -Louisville Guitar Orchestra	2016-2017
LGBT Center Student Ambassador University of Louisville	2016-2017
Alto Section Leader and Assistant Children's Choir Director St. George's Episcopal Church-Germantown, TN	2014-2015
House and Stage Manager Rudi E. Schiedt School of Music-The University of Memphis	2013-2014
Stage Services Employee Interlochen Summer Arts Camp	2013

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### Additional Professional Experience

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#### Leadership Education:

Emerging Leader Leadership Education Scholar-University of Memphis Served Learning Experiences: Senior-Freshman Mentorship, Community Service Project Planning & Coordinating, Professional Development Growth	2011-2015
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### Leadership Experience:

The Association of Guitarist-University of Louisville Founding Chapter Vice-President	2015-2017
Shades- Intersectional Student Inclusive Group-University of Louisville President 2016-2017	2015-2017
Graduate Student Council School of Music Representative-University of Louisville	2016-2107
National Association for Music Education Collegiate Chapter University of Memphis-Treasurer 2015	2012-2015
University of Memphis Classical Guitar Society President: 2013-2015 & Vice President 2012-2013	2011-2015
University of Memphis Chapter of the American Choral Directors Association Founding Chapter President	2013-2015

### Planning & Coordinating

Louisville Regional Symposium Ensemble Coordinator-Guitar Foundation of America	2017
Assistant Festival Coordinator-University of Louisville Guitar Festival	2016
Student Planning Committee-Come Together Kentucky Conference	2016

### Volunteer:

Music Therapy Performance Volunteer- Norton Audubon Hospital	2015-2017
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## **Awards & Competitions**

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### Awards:

Ideas for Creative Exploration Graduate Assistantship-University of Georgia, Athens	Current
Katy Garrison LGBT Student Leadership Award-University of Louisville	2017
School of Music Summer Travel Grant-University of Louisville	2017
Dr. Celeste Nichols Professional Development Award-University of Louisville	2016
School of Music Summer Travel Grant-University of Louisville	2016
Roberson Fund for African Studies Grant-University of Louisville	2016
Out of State Merit Tuition Award-University of Louisville	2015-2017
John W. Work III Memorial Foundation Scholarship	2015-2017
Outstanding Music Performance Scholarship-University of Memphis	2011-2015
Emerging Leaders Leadership Education Scholarship-University of Memphis	2011-2015
Tennessee Hope Lottery Education Scholarship-University of Memphis	2011-2015

### Competitions:

Beethoven Club Young Artists Competition 3rd Place Prize Winner	2014
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## Teaching Experience

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### Guitar:

Guitar Center-Louisville KY	2015-2017
Private Music Studio- Louisville	2015-2017
Suzuki Stars Music Academy- Louisville, KY	2015-2017
Hope Music Academy-Memphis, TN	2014-2015

### Vocal & General Music:

Teacher Candidate, Bartlett Elementary School, Bartlett, TN	2014-2015
• Completion of Teaching Performance Assessment (edTPA) teacher qualification performance assessment program	
Field Placement, Cordova High School, Cordova, TN	2014
• Conducting vocal music ensembles of beginner, intermediate, and advanced musical levels	

### Additional Teaching Experiences:

White Station Elementary, Colonial Middle School, Central High School, Memphis, TN

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## Musical Training

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### Principal Applied Teachers:

Daniel Bolshoy  
Stephen Mattingly  
Jermery Collins  
Patrick Worley

### Additional Private Studies:

Denis Azabagic  
Lily Afshar  
Stevan Jovic  
Anne Waller

### Masterclass Performances:

Renato Butturi  
Oscar Ghaglia  
Emma Rush  
Thibaut Garcia  
Lynn McGrath  
Aaron Capland-Legat  
Luther Enloe

David Mozqueda  
Carlos Perez  
Nicholas Galusus  
Ekachia Jurakuil  
Daekan Jung  
Martha Masters

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## Performance Experience

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### Solo Recitals:

Graduate Degree Recital, University of Memphis	2017
Ghana National Music Festival, University of Ghana-Legon	2016
Graduate Recital, University of Louisville	2016
Junior Recital, University of Memphis	2014

### Selected Concert Performances:

Faulty Systems: Socio-Political Issues-Music, Art, and Academia	2017
United States Embassy, Ghana, Africa	2016
Guitar Studio Recital, University of Louisville	2016
Northwestern University Summer Guitar Festival	2014
Classical Guitar Workshop, College Conservatory of Music University of Cincinnati	2014
Memphis International Guitar Festival Student Showcase	2013

### Ensemble Experiences:

New Music Ensemble -University of Louisville	2016-2017
Guitar Ensemble-University of Louisville	2015-2016
Guitar Ensemble-University of Memphis	2011-2015
University of Memphis University Singers	2011-2015
Memphis Symphony Chorus	2011-2015
Interlochen Arts Camp Faculty, Staff & Student Ensemble	2013