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EDUCATION

University of Denver - Lamont School of Music

Master of Music in Composition

Denver, CO

2022

Texas A&M University

Master of Arts in Performance Studies

Bachelor of Arts in Music

College Station, TX

2020

2017

HONORS

AWARDS

The American Prize, Ernst Bacon Memorial Award, finalist honorable mention

2024

The American Prize, Charles Ives Award, finalist

2024

The American Prize, orchestral composition (university division), 3rd place

2023

USNA Band Call for Scores, finalist

2022

Black House Collective New Music Soloist Competition, finalist

2021

Jessie Dee Ritchie Endowed Graduate Scholarship

2021 - 2022

Harry Albert Scholarship

2021 - 2022

Music Dean's Scholarship

2020 - 2021

FESTIVALS/RESIDENCIES

Suncoast Composer Fellowship Program, fellow

2024

Nief Norf Summer Festival, composer fellow

2024

Sō Percussion Summer Institute, composer fellow

2023

New Music on the Point, composer fellow

2023

Sō Percussion Summer Institute, composer fellow

2022

COMMISSIONS

Ryan Learned, *Crested Saguario Rhapsody*; prepared double second steel pan

2025

Alvin Phan, *Descent*; alto saxophone and electronics

2025

Matthew Sandridge, *Ultramarine*; multi-percussion and electronics

2024

Alvin Phan, *...but they are like us, too*; alto saxophone and electronics

2024

folx percussion, *Ontology*; percussion duo with sung/spoken text

2024

Hannah Moore, *Kaleidoscope*; trumpet, saxophone, and percussion

2024

Alvin Phan, *Strange Attachment*; alto saxophone concerto

2024

Jacob Fullinwider, *Street Music*; found objects solo multi-percussion

2024

Ashley White, *St. Mary's and Radcliffe Camera*; alto sax, harp, and bass

2024

Ben Porter, *Burn*; alto sax and piano

2023

Ash Mach, *Night*; viola and piano

2022

Katie Clark and Ashley White; *Terminal Shock*, clarinet and bass

2022

Katie Clark and Ethan McGraw; *Birds in Conversation*, clarinet and marimba

2022

Texas A&M University Trombone Choir; *I Know of Nothing Else But Miracles*

2022

Ash Mach, *Three Vignettes*; viola and vibraphone

2021

DU Daniels School of Business; *Voices of Experience Podcast Theme*

2021

Maroon Steel, <i>Lost and Hound</i> ; steel band	2017
TAMU Small Ensembles, <i>Dreamland Waltz</i> ; alto sax, tuba, and marimba	2016

MAJOR TEACHERS

University of Denver - Lamont School of Music

2020 - 2022

Sean Friar
Nathan Hall
Leanna Kirchoff
Tom Miller (composition and steel pan)

Texas A&M University

2013 - 2017, 2018 - 2020

Peter Lieuwen
David Wilborn

PERFORMANCES

This is an exhaustive list of every public performance of my music (as far as I am aware) separated into calendar years

Hannah Moore <i>Pressed Pennies</i> Hartford, CT	TBA 2025
Matthew Sandridge <i>Ultramarine</i> Phoenix, AZ	TBA 2025
Ryan Learned <i>Crested Saguaro Rhapsody</i> Tucson, AZ	TBA 2025
Whitney M. Young Magnet High School <i>As an Iceberg on the Sea</i> Milwaukee, WI	April 2025
Whitney M. Young Magnet High School <i>As an Iceberg on the Sea</i> Madison, WI	April 2025
Alvin Phan <i>...but they are like us, too</i> Lake Charles, LA	April 2025
Alvin Phan <i>Descent</i> Miami, FL	March 2025
Alvin Phan <i>...but they are like us, too</i> Miami, FL	March 2025
Hannah Moore <i>Pressed Pennies</i> Hartford, CT	November 2024
Lamont Steel Drum Ensemble <i>Eavesdropping</i> Denver, CO	November 2024
Luther Warren <i>Mercurial Spell</i> Sarasota, FL	October 2024
Holger Grohs, TianYi Li <i>Night</i> Sarasota, FL	October 2024
BuzzRoll Duo <i>Kaleidoscope</i> Edinburg, TX	October 2024
SōSI Participants <i>Canopy Dawn</i> Princeton, NJ	August 2024
Missouri Symphony Orchestra Chamber Players <i>Book Piece</i> Columbia, MO	July 2024
Nief Norf Participants <i>?!</i> Knoxville, TN	June 2024
Ashley White <i>St. Mary's and Radcliffe Cathedral</i> Denver, CO	June 2024
Jolan Hutchinson <i>The Banach-Tarski Paradox</i> Portland, OR	June 2024
NYU Steel <i>Coralberry</i> New York, NY	May 2024
Hannah Moore <i>Nectar</i> West Hartford, CT	May 2024
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Curio Percussion <i>Book Piece</i> Cullowhee, NC	April 2024
Jacob Fullinwider <i>Street Music</i> Denton, TX	March 2024
KU Clarinet Studio <i>Blue Ridge</i> Lawrence, KS	December 2023
Maroon Steel <i>Crystal Clear</i> Bryan, TX	December 2023
Maroon Steel <i>Crystal Clear</i> Bryan, TX	November 2023
Maroon Steel <i>Crystal Clear</i> College Station, TX	November 2023
SōSI Participants <i>Count the Silver</i> Princeton, NJ	July 2023
SōSI Participants <i>Ripples 4</i> Princeton, NJ	July 2023
SōSI Participants <i>Count the Silver</i> Princeton, NJ	July 2023
New Music on the Point Participants <i>Mirage</i> Leicester, VT	June 2023
Lamont Steel Drum Ensemble <i>Sunfall</i> Denver, CO	May 2023

Lamont Modern Music Ensemble <i>Night</i> Denver, CO	May 2023
Katie Clark, Ashley White <i>Termination Shock</i> Denver, CO	May 2023
Katie Clark, Ashley White <i>Birds in Conversation</i> Denver, CO	May 2023
Inside Out Steelband <i>Sun Speckled</i> Austin, TX	May 2023
UW-Madison Low Brass <i>I Know of Nothing Else but Miracles</i> Madison, WI	April 2023
The Viola Project <i>Mercurial Spell</i> Miami, FL	March 2023
The Viola Project <i>Mercurial Spell</i> Miami, FL	February 2023
arx duo <i>Powder Blue</i> Miami, FL	February 2023
Lamont Viola Studio <i>Pentagraph</i> Denver, CO	December 2022
Frost Electronic Music Ensemble <i>Dichotomy</i> Miami, FL	December 2022
Cherri Chen, Zachary Kusztos <i>Reflections in Rhythm</i> Miami, FL	October 2022
SōSI Participants <i>Antiphonal Sonorities</i> Princeton, NJ	July 2022
SōSI Participants <i>Book Piece</i> Princeton, NJ	July 2022
SōSI Participants <i>Book Piece</i> Princeton, NJ	July 2022
Lamont Steel Drum Ensemble <i>Coralberry</i> Denver, CO	May 2022
Ash Mach <i>Pentagraph</i> Denver, CO	May 2022
Texas A&M Trombone Choir <i>I Know of Nothing Else but Miracles</i> College Station, TX	April 2022
Lamont Steel Drum Ensemble <i>Balboa Park</i> Denver, CO	March 2022
Lamont Steel Drum Ensemble <i>Crystal Clear</i> Denver, CO	November 2021
Ash Mach <i>Five Iterations for Solo Viola</i> Denver, CO	November 2021
Madison Williams <i>Robin</i> Denver, CO	June 2021
Madison Williams <i>Robin</i> Denver, CO	May 2021
Lamont Steel Drum Ensemble <i>Driftwood Coast</i> Denver, CO	May 2021
Lamont Modern Music Ensemble <i>Loss of Perpetual Motion</i> Denver, CO	May 2021
Inside Out Steelband <i>Sun Speckled</i> Virtual via Zoom	May 2021
Lamont Steel Drum Ensemble <i>Topsy Turvy Turtle</i> Denver, CO	March 2021
NOW Ensemble <i>Synchronicities</i> Denver, CO	March 2021
Dylan Tyree <i>Occult</i> Denver, CO	November 2020
Lamont Modern Music Ensemble <i>Pyrosome</i> Denver, CO	November 2020
Lamont Steel Drum Ensemble <i>Topsy Turvy Turtle</i> Denver CO	November 2020
Maroon Steel <i>Salt Water Taffy</i> Bryan, TX	November 2019
Maroon Steel <i>Driftwood Coast</i> Bryan, TX	November 2019
Maroon Steel <i>New Beginning</i> Bryan, TX	April 2019
Maroon Steel <i>Topsy Turvy Turtle</i> College Station, TX	December 2018
Maroon Steel <i>Topsy Turvy Turtle</i> Bryan, TX	November 2018
Maroon Steel <i>Lost and Hound</i> Bryan, TX	November 2017
Maroon Steel <i>Sun Speckled</i> Bryan, TX	November 2017
Maroon Steel <i>Appreciate the Pan</i> Bryan, TX	April 2017
Texas A&M Small Ensembles <i>Dreamland Waltz</i> College Station, TX	November 2016

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

Music Conservator, University of Miami	2024 -
Orchestrator/Engraver, RBO Theatre Co.	2024 -
Music Library Assistant, University of Denver	2021 - 2022

Assistant Steel Band Director, University of Denver Lamont Steel Drum Ensemble	2020 - 2022
Graduate Teaching Assistant, Texas A&M University History of Rock Music of World Cultures Performance in World Cultures	2018 - 2020
Steel Band Director, Texas A&M University Maroon Steel	2016 - 2020

PUBLISHED SHEET MUSIC

<i>Eavesdropping</i> , Pan Ramajay Productions	2025
<i>Nectar</i> , Pan Ramajay Productions	2025
<i>Coralberry</i> , Pan Ramajay Productions	2022
<i>Balboa Park</i> , Pan Ramajay Productions	2022
<i>Driftwood Coast</i> , Pan Ramajay Productions	2022
<i>Crystal Clear</i> , Pan Ramajay Productions	2022
<i>Sun Speckled</i> , Boxfish Music Publishing	2018
<i>Topsy Turvy Turtle</i> , Boxfish Music Publishing	2018

CONFERENCES ATTENDED

94th Meeting of the Music Library Association	2025
NSSBE 8th Annual Conference	2025
Percussive Arts Society International Conference	2023

RECORDED MUSIC RELEASES

<i>Nightlife</i> ; trap edm album; Tragic Johnson	TBA 2025
<i>Semblances</i> ; ambient; Joshua Muetzel	TBA 2025
<i>Oceanrise</i> ; drum and bass album; Tragic Johnson	March 2024
<i>Sounds for the End of Time</i> ; ambient; Joshua Muetzel	July 2023
<i>Well-Tempered</i> ; ambient interpretations of Bach; Joshua Muetzel	April 2023
<i>Earth Into Bedlam</i> ; glitch album; Tragic Johnson	December 2021
<i>Jungle</i> ; ambient/minimalism album; Joshua Muetzel	July 2021
<i>October</i> ; solo piano single; Joshua Muetzel	June 2021
<i>Getaway Driver</i> ; synthwave single; Tragic Johnson	October 2020
<i>Rosemary</i> ; lo-fi hip hop album; Tragic Johnson	November 2019
<i>Waves</i> ; dance single; Tragic Johnson	November 2019
<i>Jyxium</i> ; electronic album; Tragic Johnson	April 2019
<i>Third Dimension</i> ; electronic album; Tragic Johnson	May 2018
<i>Moonrise</i> ; electronic album; Tragic Johnson	July 2017
<i>Tragic Johnson</i> ; electronic album; Tragic Johnson	May 2017

GUEST TALKS/APPEARANCES

<i>Modern Notebook with Tyler Kline</i>	2024
November 24 (Blue Ridge Public Radio, Asheville, NC)	
November 22 (Global Community Radio)	
November 20 (Classical New Hampshire)	
November 22 (WABE Classical, Atlanta, GA)	
November 17 (Classical WSMR, Sarasota, FL)	

Texas A&M University, Maroon Steel featured composer September 12, 26, via Zoom	2023
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ENSEMBLE DIRECTING

Lamont Steel Drum Ensemble	2020 - 2022
Maroon Steel	2016 - 2020

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS/APPOINTMENTS

Broadcast Music, Inc. (BMI)
Society of Composers, Inc (SCI)
National Society of Steel Band Educators (NSSBE)
Percussive Arts Society (PAS)
Root Beer Occasion Theatre Company, Board Member

OTHER PRODUCTIONS

<i>Breakup City</i> ; musical by Brandy Hoang Collier, Jessie Field, & Mallory Jane Weiss Orchestrator/Producer	TBA
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OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS

New York Panorama, 4th place; "Long Live Soca" with Pan in Motion; tenor pan	2023
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FULL LIST OF WORKS

ORCHESTRA

<i>On Windswept Plains</i> - chamber orchestra	2025
<i>Composer as...</i> - chamber orchestra miniatures	2025
I. Painter, II. Mathematician, III. Inventor, IV. Storyteller	
<i>an aching... like a memory</i> - solo clarinet or violin and string orchestra	2024
<i>As an Iceberg on the Sea</i> - string orchestra	2021/2023

CONCERT BAND

<i>Bell Tree</i> - concert band	2024
<i>Oracle</i> - concert band	2022
<i>Starshine</i> - concert band	2021

CHAMBER

<i>?! - two percussionists and two pianists</i>	2024
<i>Dappled Sunlight</i> - string quartet	2024
<i>Embers of a Dream</i> - clarinet, violin, cello, and piano	2024
<i>Strange Attraction</i> - alto saxophone and piano	2024
<i>Kaleidoscope</i> - trumpet, tenor saxophone, multi-percussion	2024
<i>St. Mary's and Radcliffe Camera</i> - viola, harp, double bass	2023
<i>Burn</i> - alto saxophone and piano	2023
<i>Mirage</i> - trumpet, trombone, piano, double bass	2023
<i>Perpetual Motion</i> - reed quintet	2023
<i>Three Vignettes</i> - viola and vibraphone	2023
<i>Night</i> - viola and piano	2023
<i>Blue Ridge</i> - clarinet quartet	2022

<i>Birds in Conversation</i> - clarinet and marimba	2022
<i>Termination Shock</i> - clarinet and bass	2022
<i>I Know of Nothing Else But Miracles</i> - trombone choir	2022
<i>Robin</i> - soprano and piano	2021
<i>Loss of Perpetual Motion</i> - english horn, clarinet, horn, steel pan, electric bass	2021
<i>Synchronicities</i> - flute, clarinet, electric guitar, double bass, piano	2021
<i>Pyrosome</i> - english horn, clarinet, steel pan, fretless electric bass, piano	2021
<i>On the Windswept Plains</i> - violin, cello, guitar, and piano	2020

PERCUSSION

<i>The Invention of the Bicycle</i> - percussion quartet	2025
<i>Crested Saguaro Rhapsody</i> - prepared double second steel pan	2025
<i>Ultramarine</i> - solo multi-percussion and electronics	2025
<i>Pressed Pennies</i> - solo cello steel pan	2024
<i>Ontology</i> - percussion duo with sung/spoken text	2024
<i>Virtuous Impatience</i> - percussion ensemble	2024
<i>Atlas</i> - mallet quartet	2024
<i>Moon Jelly</i> - solo double tenor steel pan	2024
<i>Street Music</i> - solo multi-percussion with found objects	2024
<i>Moonlight Requisition</i> - percussion quartet	2024
<i>Pan Quartet No. 1, "Blossom"</i> - steel pan quartet	2023
<i>The Jealousy of Academics</i> - percussion quartet or ensemble	2023
<i>Canopy Dawn</i> - percussion quartet	2023
<i>Ripples 4</i> - percussion quartet	2023
<i>Count the Silver</i> - percussion duo	2023
<i>Sonar</i> - percussion ensemble	2023
<i>Powder Blue</i> - percussion duo	2023
<i>Nectar</i> - solo double second steel pan	2022
<i>Garden of Madness</i> - percussion ensemble	2022
<i>Certain Fluctuations</i> - vibraphone	2022
<i>Reflections in Rhythm</i> - two players on keyboard instruments	2022
<i>Antiphonal Sonorities</i> - percussion quartet	2022
<i>Book Piece</i> - three hardcover books	2022

PIANO

<i>See the Circle</i> - piano and MIDI keyboard	2023/2024
<i>Chord Meditations</i> - piano	2023
<i>Dichotomy</i> - prepared piano	2022
<i>Ensconced in the Verdant Provenance</i> - piano	2022
<i>Certain Fluctuations</i> - version for piano	2022
<i>Robin</i> - version for piano	2022
<i>Long Night Moon</i> - piano	2021
<i>October</i> - piano	2021
<i>Time Immaterial</i> - piano	2021

SOLO

<i>Descent</i> - alto saxophone with fixed media	2025
<i>...but they are like us, too</i> - alto saxophone with fixed media	2024
<i>Erupt</i> - cello	2023
<i>Mercurial Spell</i> - viola	2023
<i>Aligning with the Ancient Harmony of Creation</i> - guitar	2022
<i>Dreaded Angels</i> - cello	2022

<i>The Banach-Tarski Paradox</i> - soloist on piano and percussion	2021
<i>Five Iterations for Solo Viola</i> - viola	2021
<i>Occult</i> - cello	2020

STEEL BAND

<i>Bike Ride</i> - steel band	2024
<i>Eavesdropping</i> - steel band	2024
<i>Cathedrals</i> - steel band	2024
<i>Sunfall</i> - steel band	2022
<i>Coralberry</i> - steel band	2022
<i>Balboa Park</i> - steel band	2022
<i>Crystal Clear</i> - steel band	2021
<i>Salt Water Taffy</i> - steel band	2019
<i>Driftwood Coast</i> - steel band	2019
<i>New Beginning</i> - steel band	2019
<i>Topsy Turvy Turtle</i> - steel band	2018
<i>Lost and Hound</i> - steel band	2017
<i>Sun Speckled</i> - steel band	2017
<i>Appreciate the Pan</i> - steel band	2017

GRAPHIC SCORES AND ELECTRONIC WORKS

<i>Practice</i> - sound walk from processed field recordings	2022
<i>Pentagraph</i> - graphic score for any number of instruments	2022
<i>Surface of the Water</i> - fixed media with processed electric guitar and bass	2021
<i>Forge of the Heavens</i> - fixed media with processed steel pan	2021

References available upon request
April 2025