

## **Education**

University of Wisconsin Eau Claire  
Master Degree- MEPD  
Bachelor Degree-BME  
Band Director Academy, New York City

## **Professional Career**

Independent Jazz Clinician (2012-present)  
Regional Essential Ellington Clinician, Jazz at Lincoln Center (2012-present)  
Jazz Trumpet Player, Madison Jazz Orchestra (2016-present)  
Director, Dimensions In Sound (2022-present)  
Eau Claire North High School-Director of Bands (3 years 2010-2013)  
Eau Claire Memorial High School-Director of Jazz/Bands (1990-2010)  
Eau Claire South Junior High School-Instrumental Instructor (1985-1990)  
Moorhead High School-Director of Bands (1983-1985)  
Mercer Public Schools-K-12 Vocal/Instrumental Music Instructor (1981-1983)

## **Professional Accomplishments/Awards**

National Finalist Essentially Ellington w/Eau Claire Memorial (7 Years, '99-'10)  
National Finalist Essentially Ellington w/Eau Claire North, (1 year, '12)  
America's Best Jazz Band Top 3 Winner, EE Competition New York City, 2009  
Warner Brothers Outstanding Director Award, 2005  
UWEC President's Award for Outstanding Achievement, 2010  
Children's Legacy Award, Eau Claire Foundation, 2011  
Jazz Festival Best Band Awards-UWEC, UW-La Crosse, UW-Green Bay,  
Chicago-Rolling Meadows, and other Midwest jazz festivals 1990-2012  
Regional EE Clinician for Jazz at Lincoln Center (ongoing)  
Kohl Fellowship Honoree  
Pioneered the ECCT Monster Bash Fundraiser  
Pioneered Mentoring Music System  
Co-founder, Chippewa Valley Jazz Orchestra  
Leader/Founder, Bruce Hering Big Band

## **Performing Venues, Events and Guest Artists**

Midwest Music Clinic-with Ron Carter on behalf of Jazz at Lincoln Center  
WSMA Music Convention Performance with Clark Terry  
Live Performance on NPR's Higher Ground Radio Show  
Directed High School Jazz Ensembles with national/international guest artists,  
including: Maynard Ferguson and the Big Bop Nouveau, Frank Foster and the  
Count Basie Orchestra, The Art Blakey and the Jazz Messenger Legacy Band,  
Ed Shaughnessy and the Tonight Show All-Stars, The Dallas Brass, The United  
States Marine Corps Rock Ensemble, The United States Navy Blue Notes, Ron  
Carter, Slide Hampton, Curtis Fuller, Wycliffe Gordon, Seneca Black (lead

trumpet with JALC), Victor Goines (lead tenor sax with JALC), Pharez Whited, Sweet Sue Terry, and others.

Venues: French Quarter, Rotunda of WI State Capitol Building, Navy Pier, Washington D.C. Mall, Lincoln Memorial, U.S. Arizona, Avery Fisher Hall-Lincoln Center, Rose Hall-JALC, Dedication of Loon in Mercer, Disney World, Disneyland, Hawaiian Cultural Center, Sundance WI film premier of "Chops" on behalf of Lincoln Center Jazz