# RYAN ROSS MUSIC EDUCATOR and CONDUCTOR

### TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2015-Present

Plano Independent School District

Plano, TX

Director of Orchestras, Plano West Senior High Orchestras (Grade 11/12 Campus); Cluster Orchestra Head

- Students named 2018 Texas Honor Full Orchestra
- Students named 2016 Texas Honor String Orchestra.
- Responsible for operation of 240 member program and coordination of 6 feeder campuses.
- Students routinely earn annual UIL Sweepstakes awards in all five ensembles.
- Students named National Winner of Mark of Excellence National Orchestra Honors: 2016
   Sting Orchestra, 2016 Full Orchestra.
- Students won The American Prize in Orchestral Performance in 2016.

### 2012-2015

Plano Independent School District

Plano, TX

Director of Orchestras, Jasper High School Orchestras (Grade 9/10 Campus)

- Students named 2014 Texas Honor Full Orchestra, the only non-varsity ensemble to win in Texas history.
- Students made finals for Texas Honor String Orchestra competition: 2<sup>nd</sup> place (2015), 5<sup>th</sup> place (2013).
- Students named National Winner of Mark of Excellence National Orchestra Honors: 2015
   Sting Orchestra, 2014 Full Orchestra.
- Students won The American Prize in Orchestral Performance in 2015 and 2013.

### Additional Experience

2011 - 2012: Director of Orchestras/Cluster Orchestra Head, Lewisville HS (Lewisville ISD)

2008 - 2011: Orchestra Director, Williams Middle School (Rockwall ISD)

2005 - 2007: Graduate Teaching Assistant for Texas Tech Orchestra and conducting classes.

## CONDUCTING APPOINTMENTS

2016-Present

Allen Philharmonic Orchestra and Symphony Chorus

Allen, TX

Principal Guest Conductor

Operating as Interim Music Director and Conductor for the 2016-2018 seasons, including control over programming, personnel, and other artistic decisions.

2009-2012

Dallas Festival of Modern Music / Ars Nova Dallas

Dallas, TX

Artistic Director / Conductor

- Non-profit organization shining a spotlight each year on contemporary art music. Ars Nova Dallas was the festival's resident professional chamber ensemble.
- Highlighted conducted repertoire includes Stravinsky's Histoire du Soldat, Kurt Weill's Violin Concerto, Joan Tower's Petroushskates, and several world premieres.

2007-2012

Tyler Youth Orchestra (now East Texas Youth Orchestra)

Tyler, TX

Music Director / Conductor

- Led the flagship ensemble of the three orchestra organization.
- During tenure, developed orchestra from an ensemble largely performing arrangements to an orchestra performing only unabridged works by significant composers.
- Created the Tyler Youth Orchestra New Music Project, featuring an annual commissioned work for the orchestra.

## Additional Experience

2005 - 2007: Cover Conductor for Lubbock Symphony Orchestra.

2005 - 2007: Graduate Assistant Conductor for Texas Tech Orchestra program.

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# ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE

December 2017. Clinician/Conductor. TMEA Region 4/21 All-Region HS Orchestra.

November 2017. Clinician/Conductor. TMEA Region 9 All-Region JH Orchestra.

November 2017. Featured Clinician. Marquette University High School Orchestra Festival.

February 2017. Guest Conductor. Oklahoma City Youth Chamber Orchestra.

November 2016. Clinician/Conductor. TMEA Region 23 All-Region HS Orchestra

April 2016. Guest Conductor / Music Director Finalist. Allen Philharmonic Masterwork Concert.

January 2016. Clinician/Conductor. TMEA Region 19 All-Region HS Orchestra.

December 2015. Guest Conductor. Allen Philharmonic Nutcracker with Allen Civic Ballet.

December 2015. Clinician/Conductor. McKinney ISD All-City Orchestra.

February 2015. Off-Stage Conductor/Sectional Coach. TMEA All-State Philharmonic Orchestra.

January 2015. Clinician/Conductor. Rockwall ISD All-City MS Orchestra.

November 2014. Clinician/Conductor. TMEA Region 20 All-Region MS Orchestra.

June 2013. Guest Conductor. Fredericksburg Community Orchestra. Fredericksburg, TX

February 2013. Off-Stage Conductor. TMEA All-State Symphony Orchestra.

August 2011. Conductor at Conductor Program of the Cabrillo Festival. Santa Cruz, CA

June 2011. Faculty/Conductor. El Paso Summer String Institute. El Paso, TX

July 2009. Guest Conductor on Conductor Showcase. Rose City Chamber Orchestra. Portland, OR

June 2009. Clinician/Conductor. Lubbock ISD Summer String Camp. Lubbock, TX

## ORCHESTRA AND CONFERENCE CLINICS

#### Orchestras

2018. Creekview HS (Carrollton-Farmers Branch), JJ Pearce HS (Richardson), Lebanon Trail HS (Frisco)

2017. Arlington Youth Orchestra (Arlington); Rockwall-Heath HS (Rockwall); Curtis MS (Allen); Delay MS (Lewisville); Newman Smith HS (Carrollton-Farmers Branch)

2016. Arlington Youth Orchestra (Arlington); University of Texas – Dallas Orchestra (Dallas); Liberty HS, Independence HS (Frisco); Lewisville HS, Delay MS (Lewisville); Curtis MS, Erickson MS (Allen)

2015. Arlington Youth Orchestra (Arlington); Lewisville HS, DeLay MS (Lewisville); Erickson MS, Curtis MS (Allen); North Garland HS (Garland)

2014. Arlington Youth Orchestra (Arlington); Erickson MS (Allen); North Garland HS (Garland); Huffines MS (Lewisville); Clark HS, Frankford MS (Plano)

2013. Downing MS, Huffines MS (Lewisville); Williams MS (Rockwall)

2012. Fannin MS (Grand Prairie); Huffines MS (Lewisville)

2011. Adams MS, Fannin MS (Grand Prairie); Utley MS (Rockwall)

2008. Hubbard MS (Tyler)

2006. Lubbock Youth Symphony Orchestra; Estacado HS (Lubbock)

## Conference Presentations/Clinics

2017. Texas Music Educators Association. "HIPP in the Classroom: Historically Informed Performance Practice Made Easy."

2015. Texas Orchestra Directors Association. "HIPP in the Classroom: Historically Informed Performance Practice Made Easy."

2014. Texas Music Educators Association. "Perspectives of the Honor Orchestra Directors"

2013. Texas Orchestra Directors Association. "Full Orchestra Reading Session" conductor

2012. Texas Orchestra Directors Association. "Revving Up Your Recruiting and Retention"

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

2016 - 2019	UIL Sight Reading Selection and Advisory Committee
2016 - 2019	UIL PML Selection Committee
2016 - 2018	TMEA Region 24 Orchestra Chair
2013 – Present	TMAA UIL Adjudicator in regions across Texas
2012 - Present	TMEA All-State Orchestra Judging Panel
2013 - 2016	TMEA Region 25 Assistant Orchestra Chair / Chair-Elect
2015, 2017	TMEA All-State Orchestra Organizer
2014, 2016, 2017	TMEA Honor Orchestra Judging Panel

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**EDUCATION** 

2005-2007 Texas Tech University Lubbock, TX

Master of Music in Orchestral Conducting with Texas EC-12 Music Teaching Certification

2001-2005 University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, IL

Bachelor of Music in Performance, graduated with Highest Honors

Primary Conducting Teachers: Gary Lewis (Texas Tech), Donald Schleicher (University of Illinois) Additional Conducting Studies With: Marin Alsop, Gustav Meier, Larry Rachleff, David Hoose

REFERENCES

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