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Teaching Experience

Diablo Valley College, Pleasant Hill, CA 2006-present

San Domenico School Music Conservatory, San Anselmo, CA 2006-present

City College of San Francisco, San Francisco, CA 1999-present

Marin Music Conservatory, Mill Valley, CA 1999-2002

Ventura College, Ventura, CA 1998

Harford Community College, Bel Air, MD 1996-98

Arizona State University, Doctoral Teaching Assistantship, Tempe, AZ 1992-94

University of Southern California, Assistant Lecturer, Los Angeles, CA 1988-90

Tufts University, Teaching Internship in German, Medford, MA 1985-86

Private Studios: Boston, Stuttgart, Los Angeles, Santa Barbara, Baltimore, San Francisco, 1984-present

Performances

Arizona Club

Baltimore City Hall

Baltimore Festival of the Arts

Bel Air Hotel (Beverly Hills, CA)

Berlin Academy of the Arts

The Boston company

Boston Museum of Fine Arts

Braille Institute Los Angeles

California Palace of the Legion of Honor

Florida Public Radio and Television

Gallery Cafe, San Francisco

Golden Gate Club

Grand Havana Room (Washington, D.C.)

Green Room (San Francisco, CA)

Guam University Endowment

Guitar Journeys (KUSF)

Harvard University

Tokyo International Guitar Contest (live radio broadcast)

Los Angeles Guitar Quartet (Lake Tahoe Residency)

Los Angeles County Museum (live broadcast KUSC)

Mandolin Soloist USC Chamber Orchestra (broadcast KUSC)

The Marrow Foundation (Washington, D.C.)

Maryland Arts Council (for Governor Paris Glendening)

"Morning Becomes Eclectic" (live broadcast KCRW)

Motion Picture and Television Hospital (Beverly Hills, CA)

Musician's Institute of Technology (Hollywood, CA)

Myerhoff Symphony Hall (Baltimore, MD)

New Hampshire State House

Old First Church (San Francisco, CA)

Phoenician Resort (Phoenix / Scottsdale, AZ)

Paramount Studios

Rose's Cafe San Francisco (ongoing)

Santa Monica Heritage Museum

San Francisco Sound (AT&T/TCI broadcast)

San Francisco Museum of Modern Art

(West Coast Live Radio Show, 91.7 KALW)

San Francisco Guitar Society

Taipei National Recital Hall

Education

Doctor of Musical Arts, Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ (2 years completed).

Graduate Performance Diploma, Peabody Conservatory, Baltimore, MD, 1995-1998.

Master of Music, University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA, 1990.

Bachelor of Music, New England Conservatory, Boston, MA, 1986.

Bachelor of Arts (magna cum laude), Tufts University, Medford, MA, 1986.

Fulbright Scholar, Hochschule für Musik, Stuttgart, Germany, 1987.

Jazz/Flamenco Studies with Gary Thomas, Ted Greene, Mick Goodrick, Miguel Rodriguez and Bruce Bartlett, 1983-1998.

Major Teachers: David Leisner, Benjamin Verdery, William Kanengiser, James Smith, Julian Gray, Frank Koonce

Master Class Performances Private Lessons with David Russell, David Tanenbaum, Manuel Barrueco, David Starobin

Awards, Honors and Affiliations

Zellerbach Performance Grant, 2006 Aaron Copland Recording Grant, 2006 San Francisco Friends of Chamber Music Affiliate, 2005-present Mu Phi Epsilon

Adjudicator: 2005 University of Texas at Dallas and 2006 Juan Serrano International Guitar Competitions.

"Best CD of 2003" (San Francisco Guitar Quartet's "Compardres"), Acoustic Guitar Magazine, 2004.

Western Arts Alliance Performance Showcase, Herberger Theater, Phoenix, AZ, 2004.

Winner Baltimore Chamber Music Awards Competition, Baltimore, MD, 1996.

Mayor's Citation for Public Service, Baltimore, MD, 1996.

Tokyo International Guitar Competition, Semi-finalist, 1990.

Outstanding Graduate Award, University of Southern California, 1989.

Guitar Ensemble Award, University of Southern California, 1989.

Fulbright Scholar, Academy of Music and Performing Arts Stuttgart, Germany, 1985.

Publication of English translation *Articulation in the Lute Music of J.S. Bach*, Guitar Review 1985.

DAAD Scholarship (German Academic Exchange) administered by Tufts University, 1984-85.

Recorded materials, photographs, reviews and references available upon request