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EDUCATION

Arizona State University Bachelor of Music, Saxophone Performance/Jazz Studies	Tempe, AZ May 1983
Stephen F. Austin State University Master of Arts, Music Theory and Composition	Nacogdoches, TX May 1986
University of Northern Colorado Doctor of Arts, Saxophone Pedagogy/Performance, Secondary Emphasis in Jazz Studies (coursework completed May 1988)	Greeley, CO
University of Kansas Doctor of Musical Arts, Saxophone Performance	Lawrence, KS May 2007

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Ottawa University <i>Associate Professor of Music</i> • Director of Jazz Ensemble and Jazz Combos • Instructor of Saxophone and Saxophone Quartet • Instructor of Jazz History - Theory - Improvisation - Composition & Arranging Jazz Pedagogy – Music Business – Woodwind Methods	Ottawa, KS 2010-Present
University of Kansas <i>Interim Instructor of Saxophone</i> ▪ Teaching 3 DMA saxophone students, saxophone quartet and oversight of a Senior Recital)	Lawrence, KS Fall 2015
<i>Interim Director of Jazz Studies</i> • Director of Jazz Ensemble II and Jazz Combo I • Instructor of Jazz Improvisation	Fall 2009
<i>Adjunct Instructor of Jazz Studies</i> • Director of Jazz Ensemble II •	2007-2010
<i>Interim Instructor of Saxophone</i>	Fall 2004
Washburn University <i>Associate Professor of Music</i> • Director of Jazz Ensemble and Combos • Instructor of Jazz History – Improvisation – Jazz Appreciation Instructor of Movies and Music • Coordinator of Small Ensembles • Instructor of Saxophone and Saxophone Quartets	Topeka, KS 2001-2005

Topeka Youth Jazz Workshop*Director*

- Middle School and High School Groups

Topeka, KS

2001-2006

ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE

Ottawa University*Director of Jazz Studies Lead Faculty*

- Coordinator of Fall and Spring Invitational Jazz Workshops (Booked Headline Acts and Clinicians, Secured High School Bands, Marketed the Event, Generated Schedules, Reserved Facilities, Requested Payments, Follow-Up Control)
- Authored, Developed, and Installed a B.M Jazz Studies Degree Program in 2013
- Music Department Recruiting Work in 40 Area High Schools
- Hired and Oversee the Adjunct Jazz Faculty, and Faculty Jazz Septet
- Lead Faculty Member – Provide council to Dean, Approve Course Equivalency, Maintain Music Program Oversight, Advise Students, Assure Syllabi Consistency, Oversee Course Scheduling, Curriculum Mapping of Course Objectives

Ottawa, KS

2010-Present

Coleman Hawkins Legacy Jazz Festival*Artistic Director and Board Member*

- Selected and hired talent – booked rooms and reserved facilities
- Coordinated staging, sound and lighting – ran sound for the event
- Helped in funds raising efforts – networked with donors and volunteers
- Managed grounds setup and tear down

Topeka, KS

2005-2007

Topeka Jazz Workshop, Inc.*Board Member*

- Approved current and upcoming concert seasons

Topeka, KS

2002-2007

Washburn University*Director of Jazz Studies Department*

- Coordinator of the Spring and Fall Coleman Hawkins Jazz Festivals
- Music Recruiting for SW Kansas Region – very extensive travel throughout the state
- Scheduled all jazz concerts, auditions, and community service performances
- Oversight of all jazz curriculum and advisor to jazz students

Topeka, KS

2001-2005

Topeka Community Concert Association*Board Member*

Approved current and upcoming concert seasons

Topeka, KS

2004-2005

Boko-Maru*Bandleader*

- Dreamland CD released in 2000 on FunPro Records
- In charge of booking, sound reinforcement and travel arrangements
- Composed, arranged, rehearsed all music
- Developed strategy for Recording contract, album content and design

Kansas City, MO

1994-003

The Drum Room, Inc.*Owner and Musical Director*

Kansas City, MO

1994-1996

- In charge of bookings, sound, lighting and stage design, as well as ground transportation and event coordination for all national acts.
- Created business plan and raised money for venture capital
- Hired and Directed the House Band - Bokomaru

SELECTED PROFESSIONAL PERFORMING EXPERIENCE**The Unusual Suspects**

2015-2017

- Featuring Joe Cartwright, Steve Rigazzi, and Todd Strait

Kansas City, MO**Tim Whitmer Quartet***Alto Saxophone*

Kansas City, MO

2012-Present

- Appearing Fridays at the Green Lady Lounge, 18th St. and Grand Ave.

Goombahles*Bandleader*

Kansas City, MO

2008-Present

- Performing my original jazz compositions
- CD: On Ice in Kansas City – ARC Label

Bokomaru*Bandleader, Saxophonist, Vocalist, Percussionist*

Kansas City, MO

1994-2003

- 2000 Winner Best Jazz Ensemble Kansas City, Pitch Magazine
- In-Residence at the Drum Room 1994-1996
- 1999 featured act at the Coleman Hawkins Jazz Festival
- 1995 and 1999 featured act at the Corporate Woods Jazz Festival
- 1995 featured act at the Kansas City Spirit Festival
- Backing group for Kevin Mahogany, Kitty Margolis, Mark Murphy, Karrin Allyson, Kevin Toney, Herb Ellis
- CD Dreamland on the FunPro label - 2000

Kansas City Chiefs T.D. Pack Band (Tony Dipardo “Mr. Music”)*Member*

Kansas City, MO

1997-1999

- Performances at all functions and home games

K. C. Bottoms Band*Saxophonist, Vocalist, Percussionist*

Kansas City, MO

1990-1994

- In-Residence at the Tuba
- Produced a Self-titled CD 1994
- Invited to Perform on the Telluride Jazz Festival 1993

Kansas City Boulevard Big Band*Saxophonist*

Kansas City, MO

1991-2000

- Stellar CD on Seabreeze Records – solo on Workahol
- Boulevard Big Band CD on Seabreeze Records – solo on The Cheese That Time Forgot