

Education

DMA in Applied Piano (1999) **The University of Texas at Austin.** “*Vingt regards sur l’enfant-Jesus* by Olivier Messiaen: An Analysis of Its Content, Spiritual Significance, and Performance Practice.” Nancy Garrett, supervising professor.

MM in Applied Piano (1993) **The University of Texas at Austin.** Nancy Garrett, supervising professor.

BM in Applied Piano with High Distinction (1991) **Eastman School of Music.** Nelita True, supervising professor.

Teaching positions

- **Nicholls State University**, Department Head, Associate Professor Fall 2015 - present
(tenured)

Teach Music Theory I-IV, Solfege I-II and supervise theory instructors, Form and Analysis I-II, Music Technology, Music Appreciation, organ lessons, Basic Piano, Online Class Piano, Piano Pedagogy, oversee operations of department, including developing, implementing and assessing curricula; manage budgets and fundraising activities; supervise teaching and non-teaching responsibilities of faculty and staff, evaluate faculty and staff; coordinate faculty workloads and develop course schedules; coordinate NASM accreditation activities; keep All Steinway Status current; oversee departmental social media and recruitment activities; represent the department within the university and greater public

- **Texas A&M University at Corpus Christi**, Associate Professor (tenured) Fall 2006 – Spring 2015

Taught Music Theory I-IV, Aural Training I-IV and supervised theory instructors, Form and Analysis, Online Beginning Class Piano, Piano Literature, Church Music, private piano, and accompanied various student and faculty performances

- **Texas A&M University at Kingsville**, Associate Professor (tenured) Fall 1999 – May 2006

Taught Music Theory I-IV, Aural Training I-IV, private piano, oboe and saxophone lessons, Woodwind Methods, and accompany all student and faculty performances

Administrative Accomplishments

Nicholls State University (Department Head 2015-present)

- Largest freshman music class ever (Fall 2017)
- Largest number of music majors ever (Fall 2017)
- Largest marching band ever (Fall 2018)

- Received and accepted invitation to host 2019 Louisiana Music Teachers Association Convention for first time ever (Fall 2018)
- Fully Renewed NASM accreditation for Nicholls State University (Fall 2016)
- Bachelor of Arts in Music degree removed from Louisiana Board of Regents “low completer” list (Spring 2017)
- Increased ROI in Music degree and General Education Music courses each year (2015-present)
- All music classrooms and music computer lab updated with new projectors, updated computers, document cameras, updated classroom furniture, music-lined marker boards (2016-18)
- Secured iPads for Nicholls Music Faculty
- Secured 1,800 CD’s and DVD’s for Nicholls music library through private donations (2017-18)
- Secured Louisiana Board of Regents grant and private donations (\$92,000) for 24 Station Roland piano lab, Roland instructor piano, iMac computer, NEC Smartboard, 24 desktop monitors (2016-17)
- Continually updating and improving Nicholls’ Music social media presence through Facebook, Twitter, YouTube, and department website.
- Worked with team of Music Faculty to raise funds to support music department and continue All Steinway Status through annual Monster Piano Concerts, student ensemble concerts, and Faculty performances (approximately \$10,000 raised 2016-2017, \$15,000 raised 2018)

Texas A&M University at Corpus Christi

- Faculty Senate – Executive Committee; Chair of Academic Affairs, Faculty Affairs, and Academic Standards Grievance Committees; member ad hoc committee concerning Summer Faculty Pay (2009-15)
- Instructional Technology and Distance Education Committee (2009-15)
- School of Arts, Media, and Communication Curriculum Committee Chair (2014-15)
- Summer Faculty Fellow – Assisted writing midterm SACS-COC report (2015)
- Summer Faculty Fellow – Review and prioritize Rules and Procedures to align with Texas A&M University System (2014)
- Faculty Personnel Advisory Committee member/chair – review faculty in School of Arts, Media and Communication for promotion and tenure and post-tenure review (2010-14)
- Momentum 2020 - Strategic Planning Leadership Committee (Faculty/Staff Committee Chair) (2013-14)
- Assisted with writing self-study for NASM reaccreditation (2011-12)

Presentations

- American Association of State Colleges and Universities Conference, San Diego, CA – *“Online Class Piano vs. Face to Face Instruction”* February 2014
- Association for Technology in Music Instruction National Conference, Cambridge, Massachusetts – *“Online Class Piano vs. Face to Face Instruction”* October 2013
- TAMU-Corpus Christi, Islander Forum – *“Converting Class Piano for non-music majors into a fully online class”* August 2012
- Series of Lectures on Contemporary Piano Music, sponsored by the Yamaha Corporation—Bandung, Jakarta and Bali, Indonesia June 2011
- Association for Technology in Music Instruction National Conference, Portland, Oregon – *“Can video games really help my students sight-sing?”* September 2009
- Association for Technology in Music Instruction National Conference, Atlanta GA – *“Enhancing undergraduate music theory courses for experienced teachers who are inexperienced with multimedia”* September 2008
- Association for Technology in Music Instruction National Conference, Salt Lake City, UT – *“Free internet applications that support fundamental skills in lower-level music theory and ear training classes”* November 2007
- Hawaii International Conference on Arts and Humanities, Waikiki, HI – *“The Theme of the Star and the Cross in Vingt regards sur l’enfant-Jesus by Olivier Messiaen: An Analysis of its Content, Spiritual Significance and Performance Practice.”* January 2004

Grants

- 2019-20 Principal Investigator, Louisiana BORSF Undergraduate Enhancement, Music Classroom Enhancement with Technology Upgrade to Promote Innovative Teaching, \$120,610 (pending support)
- 2016-17 Principal Investigator, Louisiana BORSF Undergraduate Enhancement, Piano Lab for Nicholls State University, \$72,000 (Plus in-kind matches of \$20,500 from Nicholls Technology Fund and Steinway Society of New Orleans)
- 2014-15 Co-author TAMUCC Faculty Innovation Grant, “Introduction of Innovative and Portable Technology for Musicians” \$16,000

Service to Students

- Serve as faculty advisor for Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia, Omicron Beta Chapter (2016-current)
- Serve as faculty advisor for Sigma Alpha Iota, Theta Theta Chapter (2016-current)
- Serve as pianist for Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia Singers (2015-current)

- Serve as accompanist for student Sophomore Barrier exams (2016-current)
- Advisor for all Bachelor of Arts in Music degree students (2015-current)
- Serve as pro bono accompanist for dozens of student performances not covered by staff accompanists (2006-current)

Other Experience

- St. Joseph Co-Cathedral, Organist for vigil masses 2016-present
- St. Philomena Catholic Church, Organist and music director 2016-present
- Corpus Christi Symphony Orchestra, Principal Keyboard 2009-15
- St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, Liturgical Music Director, Organist 2008-15
- Victoria (TX) Symphony Orchestra, Principal Keyboard 2007-10
- St. Helena of the True Cross of Jesus, Liturgical Music Director, Organist 2007-08
- St. Philip the Apostle Catholic Church, Music Director, Pianist 2002-07
- Church of the Epiphany Episcopal Church, Music Director, Organist 2001-02

Peer-reviewed/selected Performing Highlights (2010-present)

Chamber/solo performances

Nicholls Music Faculty Chamber Concert, St. Joseph's Co-Cathedral	November 10, 2018
Nicholls Music Faculty Chamber Concert, St. John's Episcopal Church	October 26, 2018
Jessica Victoria, soprano, Xavier University, St. John's Episcopal Church Music Series	September 21-23, 2018
Annual Festival of Spirituals, Thibodaux, LA.	February 9, 2018
Nicholls Guest Artist Recital. Dr. Hope Thacker, soprano	October 23, 2017
Nicholls Faculty Chamber Recital. Matt Swihart, trumpet	September 8, 2017
World Premiere of "Sojourner Truth Cantata." Nicholls Music Faculty	February 16, 2017
Nicholls Faculty Brass Duet. Matt Swihart, trumpet, Jason Ladd, tuba	November 15, 2016
Nicholls State University Faculty Recital. Matt Swihart, trumpet	February 16, 2016
TAMUCC Guest Recital. Tony Baker, trombone	January 26, 2015
TAMUCC Faculty Recital. Mary Thornton, trumpet, Raimundo Morales, trombone	November 5, 2014
TAMUCC Faculty Recital. Hope Thacker, soprano	March 20, 2014
Complete J. S. Bach Gamba sonatas. Carrie Pierce, cello. Anderson, harpsichord	March 14, 17, 18, 2014
TAMUCC Guest Artist Recital. Amanda Davidson, trombone	September 12, 2012
Trinity Towers Recital. Sibelius Violin Concerto. Steven McMillen, violin	May 30, 2012
Del Mar College Composer's Symposium Concert	April 26, 2012
TAMUCC Symphonic Winds Concert, Rhapsody in Blue, Anderson, piano soloist	April 19, 2012
TAMUCC Faculty Trumpet Recital, Mary Thornton and Ron Ledbetter, trumpets	March 28, 2012

TAMUCC Guest Artist Recital, The Grieg Violin Sonatas, Lin He, violin	February 21, 2012
TAMUCC Faculty Recital. Islander Piano Quartet	September 28, 2011
Series of Lecture recitals on Contemporary Piano Music, sponsored by Yamaha Corporation	June 23-27, 2011
Oceanophony, TAMUCC Chamber Ensemble Concert	May 17, 2011
TAMUCC Faculty Viola and Piano Recital. Jose Flores, viola	March 8, 2011

Orchestral pianist

Corpus Christi Symphony Orchestra, Pops in the Park	April 25, 2015
Corpus Christi Symphony Orchestra, Music of Gershwin	March 14, 2015
Corpus Christi Symphony Orchestra, Education concert	February 20, 2015
Corpus Christi Symphony Orchestra, Christmas Concert	December 13-14, 2014
Corpus Christi Symphony Orchestra, Pictures at an Exhibition (celeste)	October 11, 2014
Corpus Christi Symphony Orchestra, Pops in the Park	March 29, 2014
Corpus Christi Symphony Orchestra, Education concert (celeste)	February 7, 2014
Corpus Christi Symphony Orchestra, Pops in the Park	April 27, 2013
Corpus Christi Symphony Orchestra, Joyce Yang, soloist	April 13, 2013
Corpus Christi Symphony Orchestra, Mayor Nelda Martinez, narrator	March 9, 2013
Corpus Christi Symphony Orchestra Pops Concert, The Beatles	January 10, 2013
Corpus Christi Symphony Orchestra, Christmas Concert	December 8-9, 2012
Corpus Christi Symphony Orchestra, Ava Pine, soprano (celeste)	October 13, 2012
Corpus Christi Ballet Symphony, The Nutcracker (celeste)	December 17-18, 2011
Corpus Christi Symphony Orchestra, Christmas Concert	December 10-11, 2011
Corpus Christi Symphony Orchestra, Sirena Huang, violin	October 8, 2011
Corpus Christi Symphony Orchestra, Concert of Film Music (synthesizer)	March 12, 2011
Corpus Christi Symphony Orchestra, Nancy King Sanders, clarinet (celeste, harpsichord)	February 18-19, 2011
Corpus Christi Symphony Orchestra, Rockport/Fulton High School Choir	December 12, 2010
Corpus Christi Symphony Orchestra, Mark Masri, tenor (celeste, harpsichord)	December 11, 2010
Corpus Christi Symphony Orchestra, Daniel Binelli, bandoneon (celeste)	November 13, 2010
Victoria Symphony Orchestra, Evan Mitchell, piano soloist	October 16, 2010
Victoria Symphony Orchestra, Symphonic Spooktacular	October 14, 2010
Corpus Christi Symphony Orchestra, Frederica von Stade, mezzo-soprano	April 17, 2010

Recent Collaborative Performances with students

Nicholls Annual Monster Piano Concert	September 18, 2018
Nicholls Wind Ensemble Concert.	March 15, 2018
Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia Singers. First United Methodist Church, Thibodaux.	December 21, 2017
Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia Singers. "Songs of the Sea" at Terrebone Waterlife Museum	September 23, 2017
Nicholls Ninth Annual Monster Concert. Nicholls students, faculty, community	September 19, 2017
Nicholls Sigma Alpha Iota American Music Recital	April 30, 2017
Nicholls "A Celebration of the Negro Spiritual." Voice Students from Arkansas, Louisiana and Mississippi	February 10, 2017
Lafourche Parish Honor Band. Central Lafourche High School	January 25, 2017
Nicholls Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia Singers Christmas Concert	December 6, 2016
Nicholls Eighth Annual Monster Concert. Nicholls students, faculty, community	October 20, 2016

Grand Opening Gala. Mary and Al Danos Theater	September 27, 2016
Nicholls Senior flute recital. Michael Lyons, flute	April 24, 2016
UL System Academic Summit Performance. UL System Students	April 14, 2016
Nicholls "A Celebration of the Negro Spiritual." Voice Students from Arkansas, Louisiana and Mississippi	February 19, 2016
Louisiana District VII Honor Band. HL Bourgeois High School	January 16, 2016
TAMUCC Senior Trombone Recital. Bevan Moody, trombone	March 26, 2015
TAMUCC Junior Flute Recital. Jackie Vaught, flute	February 9, 2015
TAMUCC Senior Horn Recital. Eulalio Martinez, horn	May 5, 2014
TAMUCC Trumpet Studio Recital	April 15, 2014
TAMUCC Senior Trumpet Recital. Evan Taylor, trumpet	April 9, 2014
TAMUCC Senior Trumpet Recital. Juan Vargas, trumpet	April 9, 2014
TAMUCC Senior Trumpet Recital. Stephen Montez, trumpet	March 25, 2014
TAMUCC Senior Clarinet Recital. Damon Whitely, clarinet	November 6, 2013
TAMUCC Trumpet Studio Recital	April 16, 2013
TAMUCC Student Senior Flute Recital. Stephanie Garcia, flute	April 15, 2013
TAMUCC Student Senior and Junior Trumpet Recitals, Stephen Garcia and Juan Vargas, trumpets	April 10, 2013
TAMUCC Student Senior Trombone Recital. Paul Garza, trombone	April 10, 2013
TAMUCC Brass Ensemble Concert	November 11, 2012
TAMUK Student Senior Trumpet Recital. Joey Zapata, trumpet	October 25, 2012
TAMUCC Trumpet Studio Recital	April 18, 2012
TAMUCC Student Senior Saxophone Recital. Ryan Sanders, saxophone	April 17, 2012
TAMUCC Student Senior Clarinet Recital. Flordelisa Benitez, clarinet	January 25, 2012
TAMUCC Student Junior Violin Recital. Brett Bernhard, violin	October 26, 2011
TAMUCC Trumpet Studio Recital	March 29, 2011