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Dedicated and highly motivated music professional with extensive experience in orchestral performance, teaching, and coaching percussion ensemble. Flexible and highly organized.

RELEVANT SKILLS AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Perform the duties of principal timpanist for several American professional symphonic organizations in all rehearsal, concert and musical activities.
- ♦ Performed duties of solo timpanist with the Oslo Philharmonic Orchestra in concert, on tour, and in recording with the orchestra. Recorded with the orchestra for the EMI/Angel, Chandos, Sony, and Aurora labels. Toured with the orchestra to the USA, Canada, Europe, Asia, Performed under the baton of conductors such as Mariss Jansons, Paaavo Berglund, Richard Hickox, Rafael Fruhbeck de Burgos, Zubin Mehta, Sir Neville Marriner, and others.
- Performed as soloist with the Oslo Philharmonic Orchestra in performances of Bartok's Concerto for Two Pianos, Percussion, and Orchestra, and in performances of the final movement of Werner Tharichen's Concerto for Timpani and Orchestra.
- ◆ Taught applied percussion to the students at Manglerud High School, Oslo, Norway; in addition to teaching individual lessons, was responsible for coaching and conducting the school percussion ensemble at various public concerts.
- ♦ Administered artist-in residence program for the Evansville-Vanderburgh Public School System, including in-class demonstrations, booking of guest artists and ensembles from the University of Evansville to perform at the schools. Worked with school officials to plan and execute program.
- ◆ Taught applied percussion to percussion major and minor students at the University of Evansville; assumed responsibility for preparing and teaching percussion methods classes to music education majors. In addition, coached and conducted the University Percussion Ensemble.

EMPLOYMENT EXPERIENCE

Principal Timpanist		
Illinois Philharmonic Orchestra	Park Forest, IL	2004 - Present
Principal Timpanist		
Elmhurst Symphony Orchestra	Elmhurst IL	2/2004 - Present
Position: Acting Principal Timpanist		
Savannah Symphony Orchestra	Savannah, GA	2002-2003
Position: Principal Timpanist		
Des Moines Metro Opera Orchestra, Indianola, Iowa		1998-Current
Position: Solo Timpanist		
Oslo Philharmonic Orchestra, Oslo Norway		1983-1999
Position: Timpanist		
Norwegian Chamber Orchestra, Oslo Norway		1987-1998
Position: Adjunct Instructor of Percussion		
Joliet Junior College Joliet, IL		2005-2010
Position: Staff Percussion Instructor		
Oslo City School System Oslo	o, Norway	1984-1997

Position: Adjunct Instructor of Percussion

University of Evansville Evansville, Indiana 1980-1983

Artisit-In-Residence Evansville-Vanderburgh Public School System
Evansville, Indiana 1981-82

ADDITIONAL TRAINING, COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT, EXPERIENCE

- Installed PCs and laptops and assorted peripherals as part of a team working for Insight Services.. Was responsible for the installation of both hardware and software packages, as well as troubleshooting same..
- ♦ Administer and update as well as re-designing the web sites for the Moore-Addison Co. of Addison, Illinois and the DuPage Symphony Orchestra.
- ♦ Assist in the building, repair, maintenance and administration of new computer systems and networks
- Planned and assisted in installation of a Windows 2000/XP network and was responsible for its maintenance and administration.
- Performed the duties of Computer Lab Assistant for the Academic Computing Department, which included monitoring the use of the computers and peripherals, cleaning the lab and assorted equipment, reporting any problems with the computers and associated peripherals.
- ♦ Performed the duties of Library Associate at the Naperville Public Libraries, assigned to the Audiovisual Department. Duties included assisting patrons with locating relevant items and material; assisted the Music Librarian with maintaining the music collection; assisted the Audiovisual staff in the preparation and presentation of public Internet Classes.
- ♦ Performed the duties of Audio Archivist for the Oslo Philharmonic Society, which included transcribing concert tapes from DAT to analogue tape; cataloguing and encasing said tapes and creating and maintaining the associated database
- Performed the duties of office assistant, which included the answering of a multi-line telephone system; greeting and assisting patrons with information and operation of office equipment, and other office-related tasks.
- Microsoft Certified Professional MCP August 2005
- ◆ CompTIA Network + Certification January 2005
- ◆ CompTIA A+ Certifications Software and Hardware May 2004

Education:

Joliet Junior College Joliet, IL 2000- 2004 Course work for Networking Specialist's Certification

Manhattan School of Music New York, New YorkDegrees: Bachelor and Master of Music, in Performance

References Available On Request