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CONDUCTOR/CLARINET

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PAST ORCHESTRA/BAND POSITIONS

Bass Clarinet, Park Ridge Civic Orchestra, Park Ridge, IL.
1996 - 2001. Edgar Muenzer, Conductor.
Bass Clarinet, Concordia University Concert Band, River Forest, IL.
1996 - 2011. Dr. Richard Fischer, Conductor.
Bass Clarinet, Wheaton Symphony Orchestra and Chorus, Wheaton, IL.
1984 - 96. Peter Lipari, Barry Ross and Dr. Ralph Lane, Conductors.
Bass and Utility Clarinet, Oak Park - River Forest Symphony Orchestra, Oak Park, IL.
1992 - 93 and 1982 - 84 Seasons. Perry Crafton, Music Director.
Assistant Principal Clarinet, West Suburban Symphony, Western Springs, IL.
1983 - 84 and 1986 - 87 Seasons. Dr. Ralph Lane, Music Director.
Second Clarinet, Illinois Philharmonic Orchestra, Chicago Heights, IL.
1982 - 83 Season. Robert Frisbee, Music Director.

CLARINET RECITALS

Community Congregational Church, Villa Park, IL, February 2010 & 2016.
Naperville Congregational Church, Naperville, IL. February 2004.
Downers Grove Community Church, Downers Grove, IL.
February 2000, February 1999, March 1998, March 1997, October 1994, February 1992
and March 1993.
Forest Park Library, Forest Park, IL. October 1997.
Park Ridge Library, Park Ridge, IL. October 1992.

PRESENT CHORAL/CONDUCTING POSITIONS

Music Director and Founder, Acappellago, NFP, Villa Park, IL.
September 2002 to Present. Two performances of two concerts annually in December and March
as well as community outreach performances.
Music Director, Community Congregational Church of Villa Park UCC, Villa Park, IL.
August 2006 to present. Includes direction of the Adult Choir and program planning.

PAST CHORAL/CONDUCTING POSITIONS

Music Director, First Congregational Church of Lockport UCC, Lockport, IL.
August 2002 to July 2005. Included direction of the Chancel Choir and Pilgrim Handbell Choir.
Assistant Conductor, Downers Grove Choral Society, Downers Grove, IL.
1993 - 2002. Dr. Robert Holst, Music Director. Also includes conducting Chamber Choir, April
1997, October 1998, January 2000, March 2001 & February 2002.
Assistant Baritone Section Leader, Rockefeller Memorial Chapel Choir, Chicago, IL.
1999 - 2002. Dr. Randi Von Ellefson, Music Director.
Adult Choir Director, Bethel Reformed Church, Chicago, IL.
1985 - 1999. Also involved in large program planning.
Adult Choir Director, Archer Avenue Christian Reformed Church, Chicago, IL.
1988 - 1990.

PROGRAM DIRECTION

Music Director for "Women in Music", sponsored by the AAUW, Downers Grove Chapter.
March 1999 and March 2000. Also, Park Ridge Public Library, December, 2000 and AAUW,
Western Springs Chapter, April, 2001.
Co-Organizer for "Palm Sunday Ecumenical Worship", sponsored by the Clearing-Garfield
Ridge Clergy Association. 1992 - 1999, Held Annually on Palm Sunday at Bethel Reformed
Church, Chicago, IL.

EDUCATION

DePaul University, Chicago, IL, 1975 - 1980.
Bachelor of Music - Major: Clarinet and Bachelor of Arts - Major: History.

Member of the Downers Grove, Hinsdale and Western Springs Music Clubs.

REFERENCES Available upon Request.