

DR. STEVEN DARLING

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Tuba & Euphonium, Composition, Theory

EDUCATION

DMA Euphonium Performance, Cognate Tuba Performance, University of Cincinnati College-Conservatory of Music (CCM)

- Graduated: 04/25/2018
- Studied with Timothy Northcut
- Lecture-Recital “Donald Haddad’s Suite: An Investigation of Pedagogical Discrepancies of Articulation across Contrabass Tuba, Bass Tuba, and Euphonium”

MM Euphonium Performance/Brass Pedagogy, Ohio University (OU)

- Graduated: 05/05/2015
- Studied with Dr. Jason Smith

BFA in Music, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee (UWM)

- Graduated: 08/09/2013
- Studied with Marty Erickson and Mark Hoelscher

TEACHING

Wright State University, Fairborn, Ohio (WSU)

Adjunct Instructor of Tuba and Euphonium: 2017 – Present

- Teach applied lessons in tuba and euphonium
- Instruct Tuba-Euphonium Studio class
- Instruct Tuba-Euphonium Pedagogy and Literature
- Conduct & Direct the WSU Tuba-Euphonium Ensemble
- Audition prospective brass undergraduates
- Adjudicate tuba and euphonium large ensemble auditions
- Adjudicate brass juries and recital hearings
- Actively Recruit for WSU throughout OH, KY, and IN
- Submit grades via the online portal (WINGS Express)

University of Cincinnati College-Conservatory of Music, Cincinnati, Ohio

Sabbatical Substitute of Euphonium: Spring Semester, 2018

- Teach applied lessons in euphonium
- Instruct Euphonium Excerpt Class
- Coach brass chamber ensembles
- Adjudicate undergraduate and graduate boards (Performance Exams)
- Submit grades via the online portal (Catalyst)

Murray State University, Murray, Kentucky (MSU)

Adjunct Instructor of Low Brass: 2015 – 2016 (1 Year Appointment)

- Taught applied lessons in tuba, euphonium, and trombone
- Adjudicated brass recital hearings and juries
- Auditioned prospective brass students
- Instructed Low Brass Pedagogy per MSU Performance Curriculum
- Conducted & Directed the MSU Tuba-Euphonium Ensemble
- Coached brass chamber ensembles
- Actively and successfully recruited for Murray State University
- Submitted grades via the online portal (myGate)

Ohio University, Athens, Ohio

Sabbatical Substitute of Tuba and Euphonium: Fall Semester, 2013

- Taught applied lessons in tuba and euphonium
- Directed the OU Tuba-Euphonium Ensemble
- Adjudicated undergraduate brass juries and recital hearings
- Submitted grades via the online portal (uPortal)

Instructor of Music Theory: 2014 – 2015

- Instructed fundamentals of theory course designed for music and non-music major undergraduates
- Assisted in the creation of course curriculum
- Submitted grades via the online portal (uPortal)

Graduate Assistant of Tuba-Euphonium: 2014 – 2015

- Taught applied lessons in tuba and euphonium
- Assistant Conductor & Director of the OU Tuba-Euphonium Ensemble
- Instructed Tuba-Euphonium Methods per OU Education Curriculum
- Coached brass chamber ensembles
- Instructed Tuba-Euphonium Warm-Up course
- Conducted & Directed the OU Low Brass Ensemble

Administered Masterclasses

Tuba-Euphonium Masterclasses

- Mason High School, 04/27/18
- Zoarville High School, 04/19/18
- Sycamore High School, 03/06/18
- Tri-State Honor Band, 01/25/18
- Wright State University Low Brass Festival, 01/15/18
- Sidney High School, 12/14/17
- E.H. Green Middle School, 11/02/17

- University of Northern Iowa, 10/06/17
- Mason High School, 09/28/17
- Centerville High School, 09/12/17
- Madiera High School, 07/27/17
- University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, 03/06/17
- University of Wisconsin-Platteville, 11/29/16
- Quad State Honor Band: MSU, 02/08/16
- Lawrence University of Wisconsin, 05/05/13
- Milwaukee Honor Band, 11/14/13
- Milwaukee Honor Band, 11/13/12
- Milwaukee Honor Band, 11/11/11

Adjudication

Competitions

- MWRTEC Euphonium Artist Competition, 04/13/18
- MWRTEC Mock Band (Euphonium) Competition, 04/13/18
- NWRTEC Euphonium Artist Competition, 04/21/17

Honor Bands

- Tri-State Honor Band: Tubas & Euphoniums, 01/15/18
- OMEA District 17 Honor Band: Tubas, 12/11/14
- Milwaukee Honor Band: Tubas & Euphoniums, 11/12/13
- Milwaukee Honor Band: Tubas & Euphoniums, 11/11/12
- Milwaukee Honor Band: Tubas & Euphoniums, 11/09/11
- Milwaukee Honor Band: Tubas & Euphoniums, 11/14/10

HONORS AND AWARDS

Competitions

- 1st: Golden Classical Music Awards International Competition – Tuba 2018
- Semi-Finalist: Leonard Falcone Tuba Artist Competition 2018
- 1st: Tuesday Musical Brass Solo Competition 2017 –Tuba
- Semi-Finalist: ITEC Chamber Competition 2016
- 1st: CCM Brass Choir Concerto Competition 2016 – Euphonium
- 2nd: MTNA Regional Solo Brass Competition 2016 – Tuba & Euphonium
- 1st: MTNA Ohio Solo Brass Competition 2016 – Tuba & Euphonium
- 1st: NERTEC Euphonium Artist Competition 2015
- 1st: SERTEC Euphonium Artist Competition 2015
- Finalist: Seattle Chamber Orchestra Composition Competition 2015
- 1st: Ohio University Concerto Competition 2014 – Euphonium
- 2nd: ITEC Euphonium Artist Competition 2014

Grants

- CCM POWER Innovation Award 2017: \$1200.00
- Co-Op Press Recording Assistance Grant 2017: Record deal with Emeritus Recording and \$300.00

SELECTED PERFORMANCES

Conferences & Festivals

- MWRTEC: Tuba-Euphonium Recital, 04/14/18
- MWRTEC: WSU Tuba-Euphonium Ensemble, 04/14/18
- WSULBF: Tuba Artist Recital, 01/15/18
- WSULBF: WSU Tuba-Euphonium Ensemble, 01/15/18
- IMEA (IN) Conference: Tuba-Euphonium Lecture, 01/12/18
- WSU OCTUBAFEST: Tuba-Euphonium Recital, 10/22/17
- WSU OCTUBAFEST: WSU Tuba-Euphonium Ensemble, 10/21/17
- NWRTEC: Tuba-Euphonium Recital, 04/22/17
- GPRTEC: Tuba-Euphonium Recital, 03/03/17
- ITEC: Ensemble Subsonique, 06/04/16
- ITEC: MSU Tuba-Euphonium Ensemble, 06/03/16
- KMEA (KY) Conference: MSU Tuba-Euphonium Ensemble, 01/17/16
- Midwest Trombone-Euphonium Conference: Euphonium Lecture, 10/30/15
- SERTEC: Euphonium Recital, 03/21/15
- OU Horn Workshop: Athens Tuba Trio, 04/04/14
- Nuit Blanche Festival: Scrap Metal Quartet, 10/04/14

Orchestral Experience

- Lakeside Symphony Orchestra: Guest Principal Tuba, 2018 Season
- Kettering Praise Orchestra: Substitute Tuba, 2018 Season
- Central State University Faculty Orchestra: Principal Tuba, 2017 Season
- Lima (OH) Symphony Orchestra: Auxiliary Euphonium, 10/17 – Present
- Richmond (IN) Symphony Orchestra: Substitute Tuba 09/17 – Present
- Kettle Moraine Symphony: Substitute Tenor Trombone, 09/10 – 05/12

Chamber Music Experience

- WSU Faculty Brass Quintet: Tuba, 08/17 – Present
- Ensemble Subsonique Tuba-Ensemble: Euphonium, 05/16 – Present
- Darling Duo: Tuba/Euphonium, 12/15 – Present
- CinCity Brass Quintet: Tuba, 10/16 – 08/17
- Athens Tuba Trio: Tuba/Euphonium, 09/13 – 05/15
- Scrap Metal Tuba-Euphonium Quartet: Euphonium, 09/13 – 05/15

Artist Residencies

- University of Northern Iowa: Tuba-Euphonium Recital, 10/06/17
- University of Wisconsin-Platteville: Tuba-Euphonium Recital, 11/23/16

Soloist with Large Ensemble

- Cincinnati Brass Band: Euphonium Soloist, 12/02/17
- University Youth Wind Ensemble of Wisconsin: Tuba Soloist, 03/07/17
- CCM Brass Choir: Euphonium Soloist, 04/15/16
- Sheboygan (WI) Pops Concert Band: Euphonium Soloist, 06/08/15
- Ohio University Wind Symphony: Euphonium Soloist, 04/22/15

Conducting Experience

- WSU Tuba-Euphonium Ensemble, 08/17 – Present
- CCM Brass Choir, 02/17 – 05/17
- MSU Tuba-Euphonium Ensemble, 08/15 – 05/16
- OU Low Brass Ensemble, 02/15 – 05/15
- OU Tuba-Euphonium Ensemble, 08/13 – 05/15
- UWM Athletic 'Panther' Pep Band, 09/09 – 05/13

PUBLICATIONS

Journal Publications

- Triad (OMEA) 'How to Prepare the High School Euphoniumist,' Fall 2014

ITEA Journal 'New Materials Column' Reviews

- 'FivEPlay' – FivE Quartet, Spring 2018
- *Fragile Dreams* – Barbara York, Spring 2018
- *Concert Etudes No. 1* – Ludwig Milde arr. Sauer, Spring 2018
- 'Sweets and Treats for the Holidays' – Arts Brass Quintet, Fall 2017
- *Festival Fanfare* – Benjamin Miles, Fall 2017
- *Onwards and Upwards* – Gail Robertson, Summer 2016
- *Ten Easy Duets for Two Tubas* – John Paff, Summer 2016
- *Sonata in C Major RV. 48* – Antonio Vivaldi arr. Green, Summer 2016

Original Compositions

- *Zero to Sixty for Tuba and Piano*, Cimarron Press, 2018
- *Concert Piece for Euphonium and Piano*, Euphonium Press, 2017
- *Linger for Flute and Piano*, Cimarron Press, 2017
- *Slow Dancing on the Highway for Oboe and Piano*, Cimarron Press, 2016
- *Eyeless in Gaza for Euphonium Quartet*, Cimarron Press, 2015
- *Vertigo for Trombone Choir*, Cimarron Press, 2015
- *It's Full of Stars for Tuba-Euphonium Ensemble*, Potenza Inc., 2014

Arrangements, Editions, and Transcriptions

- *Goethe Lieder for Tuba and Piano* – Fanny Mendelssohn, Cherry Classics Publishing, 2018
- *Goethe Lieder for Euphonium and Piano* – Fanny Mendelssohn, Cherry Classics Publishing, 2018
- *Explorations for Tuba Quintet* – David Uber, Cimarron Press, 2016
- *Exhibitions for Euphonium Quintet* – David Uber, Cimarron Press, 2016
- *Two Russian Songs for Euphonium and Piano* – Mussorgsky and Rimsky-Korsakov, Cimarron Press, 2015

Pedagogy Resource Video Series (ITEAONLINE.org)

- ITEA Power Lesson: Kaleidoscopes Episode 1, 2016
- ITEA Power Lesson: Kaleidoscopes Episode 2, 2016
- ITEA Power Lesson: Kaleidoscopes Episode 3, 2016

Solo Album ‘Dualities’

- Published by Emeritus Recording Music: February, 2018
- Electronic/Hard Copy Distribution: CD Baby & Emeritus Publishing
- Review: ITEA Journal ‘New Materials Column.’ Summer, 2018

CREATIVE ACTIVITIES

Commissions and Premieres

- *Always We Are for Piccolo/Flute and Tuba/Euph* – Daniel Harrison, 2018
- *Permutations for Two Tubas* – Josh Guarisco, 2018
- *Inter mora for Unaccompanied Euphonium* – Ellen Ruth Harrison, 2017
- *Dualities for Tuba, Euphonium, and Piano* – Benjamin McMillan, 2017
- *Rondo Alla Scherzo for Euphonium and Piano* – Sy Brandon, 2017
- *Sonata for Tuba ‘Hades God of the Underworld’* – Ian Lester, 2017
- *The Combat of Tancredi and Clorinda* – Richard Wetzel, 2016
- *Set Adrift for Tuba-Euphonium Ensemble* – Joni Greene, 2016
- *Phoenix Dances for Euphonium and Piano* – Richard Wetzel, 2015
- *On Moving Forward for Tuba-Euphonium Quartet* – Andy Francis, 2015
- *Intermezzi for Euphonium and Piano* – Sy Brandon, 2014
- *Binary Etude No. 2 for Unaccompanied Euphonium* – Lawton Hall, 2013
- *Mikayla for Euphonium and Marimba* – Michael Neumeyer, 2013

FESTIVAL ADMINISTRATION

Wright State University Low Brass Festival 2018

Co-Host

- Coordinated Festival Schedule and Logistics
- Exhibits/Booths Liaison
- Guest Artist Liaison: Quaternity Trombone Quartet and Tim Buzbee (Melbourne Symphony Orchestra)

Competition Chair

- Selected Repertoire: Tuba, Euphonium, Tenor, and Bass Trombone
- Coordinated Competition Schedule
- Procured sponsorship for prizes and monetary awards
- Procured preliminary and live-round judges
- Designed and implemented competition rubric
- Announced results

INTERNATIONAL TUBA-EUPHONIUM ASSOCIATION

Current Positions

Pedagogy Video Library Content Resource Manager: 06/16 – Present

- Contract tuba-euphonium performers/educators
- Upload videos to the Power Lesson Library
- Artists Engaged: Staff Sgt. Philip Broome, Staff Sgt. Keith Kile, Dr. Deanna Swoboda, Dr. David Earll, Dr. Chris Dickey, and Staff Sgt. (Dr.) Simon Wildman

ITEA Journal Reviewer: 05/16 – Present

- ‘New Materials Column’

Past Position

Pedagogy Library Content Resource Manager: 05/14 – 06/16

- Publisher Liaison: Procured etude & method book samples
- Uploaded samples to ITEAONLINE.org
- Publishers Engaged: Alphonse Leduc, Potenza Inc., Mountain Peak Music, and Cimarron Press

PRESS

Interviews

- Whatever You Niche (Podcast): 06/16/2017

Reviews

- ITEA Journal New Materials Column: Dualities, Fall Journal, 2018

SPONSORSHIP

ChopSaver

Tuba-Euphonium Artist: 10/17– Present

- Receive funding and product support from ChopSaver for all professional endeavors

WEBSITES

Wright State University Faculty Page

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STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

Employment and Performance

- Pinson, Cody: Tuba, 100th Army Band
- Pollar, Zachary: Euphonium, 100th Army Band
- Blouch, Ian: Tuba, Finalist - Blue Devils Drum and Bugle Corps
- Lindsey, Sawyer: Music Educator, McLean County Middle School
- Rodesh, John: Director of Bands (6-12), Western Brown School District
- Tolle, Lindsey: Choral Director, Eastern Brown School District
- Jarrett, Madison: Councilor, Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp

Competitions and Festivals

- Holliday, Zak: Semi-Finalist, MWRTEC Tuba Young Artist Competition 2018
- Holliday, Zak: 1st, Mason High School Concerto Competition 2018
- Holliday, Zak: Principal Tuba, Tri State Honor Band
- Murray, Benjamin: Section Euphonium, District 13 Honor Band
- Murray, Benjamin: Section Trombone, District 13 Honor Jazz Band

University Acceptance

- Zak Holliday: Cleveland Institute of Music – Undergraduate, 2018
- Andrew Tatman: Ohio University – Graduate, 2016

References

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