

Morgan Kuepfer

Music Dossier

Education & Certifications

University of British Columbia

September 2020-July 2021

Bachelor of Education - Secondary

- Specializations: Music & French

Western University

September 2014-April 2020

Bachelor of Music – Honours Music Education

- Western Scholar
- Dean's Honour List, 2014-2020
- Global & Intercultural Engagement Honour

Canadian National Conservatory of Music

Grade 9 Piano

July 2014

Grade 9 History

September 2013

Grade 9 Harmony

August 2012

Professional Experience

Free Lance Musician

May 2016-present

- Performs (piano and voice) for weddings and special events.
- Tailors repertoire selection to suit the needs of the event and client.

Self-Employed Piano Teacher

September 2013-June 2014

- Launched my very first at-home business by teaching beginner piano lessons afterschool.
- Designed and developed my own curriculum, teaching resources, and beginner piano lesson book.

Performance Experience

Millbank Heritage & Arts

February 2019-present

- Performs as a guest musician (piano and voice) in talent shows, senior luncheons, and Christmas programs.

Graduating Recital

March 2020

- Prepared a forty-five minute solo voice recital in the final year of my undergraduate degree to perform for my family and friends.

A Chorus Line

March 2017

- Played the character of "Mary" (originally Larry), sang in the chorus, and danced with the ensemble.

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Community Engaged Learning Experience

The Solomon and Lent Family Fund in Experiential Learning in Music

September 2019-March 2020

- Co-conducted the Festival and Senior Choir.
- Created meaningful opportunities for musical engagement and creativity while building leadership and community within the ensembles.

Western Young Winds

January 2020-March 2020

- Applied conducting and teaching skills in an authentic teaching environment by working directly with elementary and high school band students in both small group and full band settings.

Music Education in Action

September 2018-December 2018

- Oversaw children ages six to eighteen through El Sistema Aeolian's afterschool music program.
- Led group activities and assisted during concerts to foster a positive learning environment.

Guatemala Study Abroad

April 2017-May 2017

- Engaged in teaching and learning in an international setting through the music education department at Western University.
- Spearheaded a GoFundMe initiative to raise money and awareness for the local El Sistema organization to move to a safer part of the community.

Ontario Education Leadership Camp

June 2012

- Developed leadership skills through the many mediums of the arts, including music (vocal and instrumental), dance, visual arts, and drama.
- Optimized my passion and creativity to explore personal leadership styles in order to use these skills to create a positive impact within my school and community.

Service & Involvement

Studies in Motion 2020: Dance Showcase

March 1, 2020

- Undertook the responsibility of Stage Manager for the dance showcase.
- Directed dancers backstage and delivered lighting and sound cues.

Choir Council President

September 2019-April 2020

- Advocated for the four choral ensembles at the faculty while providing singers with opportunities for professional development.
- Represented choir council and addressed issues related to the choral department at bi-weekly Faculty of Music Students' Council meetings.
- Verified Choir Council as a Western Co-Curricular Record activity.

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Service & Involvement (continued)

Music Education Student's Association (MESA)

September 2015-March 2020

- Acquired experience and knowledge through meaningful and insightful workshops based on problems and methods that teachers, music and non-music, will face in their careers.

Faculty of Music Students' Council

September 2019-March 2020

- Represented choir council and addressed issues related to the choral department at bi-weekly meetings.

Choir Council Co-Chair

December 2018-April 2019

- Established the Don Wright Faculty of Music Choral Department as a Student Branch of Choral Canada.

SNATS

September 2016-April 2017

- Inspired student-ran discussions and events to learn more about voice teaching as a profession.

Music Student Ambassador

November 2015-April 2017

- Guided tours and provided resources during houses, auditions, Ontario Universities Fair, and visiting groups at the Don Wright Faculty of Music.

Professional Affiliations

British Columbia Music Education Association (BCMEA)

October 2020

- Participated in the 2020 conference as a professional development and networking opportunity.

Canadian Music Educators' Association (CMEA)

June 2020-present

- Current member.
- Participated in the 2020 Kenneth Bray Undergraduate Essay Competition.
- Published co-author in their journal, the *Canadian Music Educator*.

Choral Canada

January 2019-present

- Current member.
- Corresponded with Debra Cairns to support the development of Western University's Student Chapter from 2019-2020.
- Articulated the experiences and accomplishments of the Student Chapter by writing year-end reports for Choral Canada in the spring of 2020.

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Professional Affiliations (continued)

Ontario Music Education Association (OMEA)

September 2016-present

- Current member and active participant in their annual conference to learn about quality music education, share instructional strategies, resources and best practices, and enhance knowledge as an aspiring music specialist teacher.

Publications

Bylica, K., & Kuepfer, M. (2021). Mentoring in Community-Based Fieldwork: Drawing from Experience. *Canadian Music Educator*, 62(4), 20.

Kuepfer, M., Waldock, S. (2019). 2018/2019 Student Chapter Activities. *Anacrusis*, 37(3), 33.

Kuepfer, M. (2020). The First Year Makings of Western's Student Chapter Branch. *Anacrusis*, 38(2), 52.

Honours & Awards

Listowel District Secondary School

Class of 2014

Lorne Willits Music Award

- Awarded to the student who has made an outstanding contribution to the LDSS music program and is continuing to post-secondary music studies.

LDSS Excellence in Music

- Awarded to the student who has made a positive contribution to the LDSS music program.

Don Wright Faculty of Music

Willena Evans Award in Music

November 2016

- Awarded to deserving undergraduate students who demonstrate a combination of academic and musical excellence chosen by the Faculty's Scholarships Committee. Established by a generous bequest from Willena Evans.

Hymn Society Music Award

November 2016

- Awarded to a keyboard or voice student in year two or beyond, based on academic achievement. Preference is given to a student interested or involved in church music, or with an expectation of being so, who has displayed professional conduct.
- Also the recipient of the George Black Memorial Scholarship in December 2017, which is awarded to past recipients of the Hymn Society Music Award.

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Honours & Awards (continued)

Parents Fund Award

November 2016

- Awarded annually to a student in second, third or fourth year in Music who has achieved at least a B average while demonstrating leadership in the community and participating in extracurricular activities.

Marguerite L. Geiger Award

November 2017

- Awarded to one undergraduate student entering or continuing in any year of Music based on academic and musical excellence and demonstrated financial need.

Albert Whitlow Choral Award

November 2017

- Awarded to one undergraduate student in second year or above who has demonstrated promise as a choral conductor and demonstrates financial need, in consultation with the senior Choral Conductor. Established through the generosity of the London Music Scholarship.

Deral Johnson Legacy Award in Choral Music Conducting

October 2018

- Awarded annually to an undergraduate or graduate student in any year in the Don Wright Faculty of Music, who has strong academic achievements, and excels in choral music leadership.

Mu Phi Epsilon Award

November 2019

- Awarded to a student in the Faculty of Music entering the graduating year of the Bachelor of Music program who shows excellence both in performance and academic achievement, as determined by the Scholarship Committee.

University of British Columbia Faculty of Education

Don Wright Scholarship in Vocal/Choral Music Education

November 2021

- Awarded to a student in the Music Education program who has demonstrated a special aptitude for and exceptional teaching of vocal and choral music.