

NARRATIVE

My sense of curiosity has defined most actions of my career. It led me to work at a Musical Instrument Museum for a year (I found some instruments they did not know they had!). Of course, I needed to write a series of articles on the experience. Later, I found Michigan State Spartan Marching Band Drill books from the 1950s at NWOSU in Oklahoma, and this led to research in the career of Oscar Stover. This after completing degrees in Music Education, Tuba Performance and Conducting. How much more can I learn about the musical world? How many students can I teach in a week? How effective can I be? How do I give back to the low brass community that has supported me over the years? Share what I have learned.

EDUCATION

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| May 2005 | Doctor of Musical Arts: Tuba Performance
Michigan State University (East Lansing, Michigan)
Cognate: Conducting
Dissertation: <i>A Comparative Analysis of the Romances of Ralph Vaughan Williams. (Romance for Violin "The Lark Ascending," the Romanza from the Concerto for Tuba and the Romance for Harmonica)</i> |
| May 1995 | Master of Music: Conducting
University of New Mexico (Albuquerque, New Mexico) |
| May 1993 | Bachelor of Music: Tuba Performance summa cum laude
Bachelor of Music: Music Education summa cum laude
The University of Akron (Akron, Ohio) |
| 2002 – 2008 | Master of Music: Music Theory A.B.D.
Michigan State University (East Lansing, Michigan) |
| 1998 – 2000 | Graduate Studies in Music
The University of Akron (Akron, Ohio) |
| Summer 1994 | Graduate Studies in Music
Arizona State University (Tempe, Arizona) |
| June 1988 | Diploma
Medina Senior High School (Medina, Ohio) |

TUBA TEACHERS

Phil Sinder, Professor of Tuba & Euphonium (Michigan State University) [primary]
Tucker Jolly, Professor of Tuba & Euphonium (The University of Akron) [primary]
Karl Hinterbichler, Professor of Trombone (The University of New Mexico)
Curtis Olson, Professor of Trombone (Michigan State University)
Deanna Swoboda, Professor of Tuba & Euphonium (Arizona State University)
Jim Willett, Professor of Tuba & Euphonium (Eastern Kentucky University)

EUPHONIUM TEACHERS

Tucker Jolly, Professor of Tuba & Euphonium (The University of Akron)

James Morrison, Graduate Teaching Assistant (The University of Akron)

CONDUCTING TEACHERS

Wesley Broadnax, Director of Bands (University of Northern Colorado)

Eric Rombach-Kendall, Director of Bands (The University of New Mexico)

Robert Jorgensen, Director of Bands (The University of Akron)

Michael Golemo, Director of Bands (Iowa State University)

PROFESSIONAL TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- 2017 – present Adjunct Instructor of Tuba & Euphonium
Texas A&M University – Commerce (Commerce, Texas)
Courses Taught: Applied Music Lessons (Tuba/Euphonium)
- 2016 – present Freelance Tuba Artist, Educator and Clinician
Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex
Private Lesson Support: Frisco ISD, Rockwall ISD, Mesquite ISD, Forney ISD; grades 6 – 12
- 2015 – 2016 Lecturer of Low Brass and Music Education
University of Texas Rio Grande Valley (Brownsville, Texas)
Courses Taught: Applied Music Lessons, Conducting, Concert Band Literature, Low Brass Methods
- 2013 – 2015 Director of Bands and Assistant Professor of Low Brass
Northwestern Oklahoma State University (Alva, Oklahoma)
Courses Taught: Applied Brass, Woodwind and Percussion Lessons, Brass Methods, Percussion Methods, Woodwind Methods, Secondary Skills, Instrumental Conducting, Concert Band, Marching Band, Pep Band, Jazz Band, Music Appreciation, Orchestration
- 2012 – 2013 Adjunct Instructor of Music
Black Hills State University (Rapid City, South Dakota)
Courses Taught: Music Appreciation
- 2010 – 2013 Director of Instrumental Music
South Dakota School of Mines & Technology (Rapid City, South Dakota)
Courses Taught: Concert Band, Jazz Band, Brass Choir, Music Appreciation, Music Theory

- 2008 – 2009 Interim Assistant Professor of Low Brass and Bands
The University of South Dakota (Vermillion, South Dakota)
*Courses Taught: Concert Band, Marching Band (Assistant),
Low Brass Ensemble, Applied Music Lessons, Low Brass
Pedagogy, Basic Conducting, Secondary Skills*
- Spring 2008 Student Teacher Supervisor (Temporary)
Dickinson State University College of Education (Dickinson, North
Dakota)
Courses Taught: Supervise Student Teacher in Billings
- 2007 – 2008 Director of Bands and Assistant Professor of Brass
Rocky Mountain College (Billings, Montana)
*Courses Taught: Concert Band, Applied Brass Lessons, Music
Theory, Music Appreciation, World Music*
- 2006 – 2007 Visiting Instructor of Low Brass and Music Theory
Del Mar College (Corpus Christi, Texas)
*Courses Taught: Applied Lessons, Tuba/Euphonium
Ensemble, Ear Training, Music Theory*
- 2005 – 2006 Adjunct Instructor of Tuba
Cornerstone University (Grand Rapids, Michigan)
Courses Taught: Applied Lessons (Tuba)
- Spring 2006 Instrumental Specialist (Part-time)
Brighton Area Schools (Brighton, Michigan)
Courses Taught: Applied Lessons and Clinics
- 2001 – 2006 Freelance Educator, Clinician and Low Brass Artist
I-96 Corridor across Central Michigan
- 2001 – 2004 Adjunct Instructor of Music
Olivet College (Olivet, Michigan)
Courses Taught: Applied Brass Lessons, Chamber Coaching
- Fall 1999 Assistant Marching Band Director
Newton Falls Exempted Village District (Newton Falls, Ohio)
- 1998 – 1999 Director of Bands (grades 6 – 12)
Conneaut Area Schools (Conneaut, Ohio)
*Courses Taught: High School Marching Band, Concert Band,
Jazz Band, Choir. 8th Grade Band, 7th Grade Band, 7th Grade
General Music*
- 1997 – 1998 Band Director (grades 4 – 8)
Musical Youth, Inc. (Cleveland Area, Ohio)

1995 – 1997 Band Director (grades 4 – 6)
Paradise Valley Unified School District No. 69 (Phoenix, Arizona)

1993 – 1995 Teaching Assistant, University Bands
The University of New Mexico
Courses Taught: Concert Band, Marching & Pep Band Assistant

1993 – 1995 Band Director (grades 4 – 6) Part-time
Albuquerque Public Schools (Albuquerque, New Mexico)

Spring 1993 Student Teaching (grades 6 – 12)
Green Local Schools (Summit County: Green, Ohio)

Fall 1992 Assistant Marching Band Director (Part-time)
Green Local Schools (Summit County: Green, Ohio)

PROFESSIONAL RESEARCH POSITIONS

5/09 – 3/11 Curatorial Assistant
National Music Museum (Vermillion, South Dakota)

1/05 – 5/05 Research Assistant
Michigan State University (East Lansing, Michigan)

SUMMER CAMP POSITIONS

August 2023 Tuba Instructor
Frisco Lone Star High School Marching Band Camp (Frisco, Texas)
Rockwall High School Marching Band Camp (Rockwall, Texas)

August 2022 Tuba Instructor
Rockwall High School Marching Band Camp (Rockwall, Texas)
Rockwall-Heath High School Marching Band Camp (Rockwall, Texas)

August 2021 Tuba Instructor
Frisco Lone Star High School Marching Band Camp (Frisco, Texas)
Rockwall High School Marching Band Camp (Rockwall, Texas)

August 2020 Tuba Instructor (Virtual)
Frisco Lone Star High School Marching Band Camp (Frisco, Texas)

August 2019 Tuba Instructor
Forney High School Marching Band Camp (Forney, Texas)

August 2019 Tuba Instructor
Rockwall Heath High School Marching Band Camp (Rockwall, Texas)

August 2018	Tuba Instructor Frisco Lone Star High School Marching Band Camp (Frisco, Texas) Forney High School Marching Band Camp (Forney, Texas) Rockwall High School Marching Band Camp (Rockwall, Texas)
August 2017	Tuba Instructor Forney High School Marching Band Camp (Forney, Texas) Rockwall-Heath High School Marching Band Camp (Heath, Texas)
August 2016	Tuba Instructor Forney High School Marching Band Camp (Forney, Texas)
August 2007	Session IV Tuba Instructor Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp (Twin Lake, Michigan)
August 2006	Session IV Tuba Instructor Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp (Twin Lake, Michigan)
August 2005	Session IV Tuba Instructor Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp (Twin Lake, Michigan)
August 2001	Marching Band Camp Instructor Geneva High School Band (Geneva, Ohio)
August 2000	Marching Band Camp Instructor Geneva High School Band (Geneva, Ohio)
August 1999	Marching Band Camp Instructor Geneva High School Band (Geneva, Ohio)

PROFESSIONAL PERFORMANCE POSITIONS

2019 – present	Substitute Tuba Allen Philharmonic Orchestra & Winds (Allen, Texas)
Feb. 2020	Substitute Tuba (Assistant Musician) Dallas Winds (Dallas, Texas)
June 2017	Substitute Principal Tuba Northeast Texas Symphony Orchestra (Sulphur Springs, Texas)
June 2017	Substitute Tuba Allen Philharmonic Orchestra (Allen, Texas)
2007-2008	Substitute Principal Tuba Billings Symphony Orchestra (Billings, Montana)
2007-2008	Utility Principal Tuba Helena Symphony Orchestra (Helena, Montana)

Spring 2005	Substitute Principal Tuba Greater Lansing Symphony Orchestra (Lansing, Michigan)
2001 – 2005	Tuba Michigan State Wind Symphony (East Lansing, Michigan) <i>John Whitwell, Director</i>
2001 – 2005	Tuba Michigan State Symphony Orchestra (East Lansing, Michigan) <i>Leon Gregorian, Director</i>
1990 – 1993	Tuba The University of Akron Symphonic Band (Akron, Ohio) <i>Robert Jorgensen, Director</i>
1989 – 1990	Principal Tuba Cleveland Orchestra Youth Orchestra (Cleveland, Ohio) <i>Jahja Ling, Director</i>

PROFESSIONAL CHAMBER POSITIONS

2017 – present	Substitute Tuba, DFW Brass (Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex)
October 2017	Tuba, Dallas Winds Tuba/Euphonium Quartet (Dallas, Texas) <i>For Dallas Porchfest</i>
Fall 2012	Tuba, Black Hills Symphony Brass Quintet (Rapid City, South Dakota)
2008 – 2010	Tuba, South Dakota Brass Quintet (Vermillion, South Dakota) Faculty Ensemble at The University of South Dakota
Fall 2006	Substitute Tuba Corpus Christi Symphony Brass Quintet (Corpus Christi, Texas)
Fall 1990	Substitute Tuba Heritage Brass Quintet (Cleveland, Ohio)

PROFESSIONAL (OTHER) POSITIONS

2011 – present	Principal Tuba & Soloist, Rapid City Municipal Band Rapid City, South Dakota
2008 – 2010	Substitute Tuba Sioux City Municipal Band (Sioux City, Iowa)
2003 – 2004	Tuba Capitol City Brass Band (Lansing, Michigan)

RECITALS AND SOLO PERFORMANCES (TUBA)

- July 5, 2024 Artist Recital: Asociación Española de Tubas y Bombardinos
Conservatorio Profesional de Música de Santiago de Compostela
(Santiago de Compostela, Spain)
- May 18, 2024 Artist Recital: Great Plains Regional Tuba Euphonium Conference
University of Nebraska at Kearney (Kearney, Nebraska)
- April 22, 2023 Artist Recital: V Conferência da ETB
Associação de Eufônios e Tubas do Brasil
Bragança Paulista, São Paulo (Brasil)
- April 3, 2023 Guest Artist Recital: Eastern New Mexico University
(Portales, New Mexico)
- July 9, 2022 Artist Recital: 2022 Congress
Asociación Española de Tubas y Bombardinos
Superior Conservatory of Music (Málaga, Spain)
- May 7, 2022 Guest Artist Recital: Tuba de Mayo Festival
University of Texas Rio Grande Valley (Edinburg, Texas)
- April 29, 2022 Faculty Artist Recital
Texas A&M University – Commerce
- Mar. 19, 2022 Artist Recital, South Central Regional Tuba Euphonium Conference
Oklahoma State University (Stillwater, Oklahoma)
- Oct. 23, 2019 Faculty Artist Recital
Texas A&M University – Commerce
- July 24, 2018 Artist Recital: 2018 Congress
Asociación Española de Tubas y Bombardinos
Super ITEA Regional Conference
Royal Conservatory of Music (Madrid, Spain)
- March 17, 2018 South Central Regional Tuba Euphonium Conference
West Texas A & M University (Canyon, Texas)
- March 17, 2017 South Central Regional Tuba Euphonium Conference
University of Texas Rio Grande Valley (Edinburg, Texas)
- May 3, 2016 Tuba de Mayo Festival
University of Texas Rio Grande Valley (Brownsville, Texas)
- Dec. 15, 2015 Faculty Artist Recital
University of Texas Rio Grande Valley (Brownsville, Texas)
- Mar. 7, 2015 Faculty Artist Recital
Northwestern Oklahoma State University (Alva, Oklahoma)

- Aug. 26, 2014 Guest Artist Recital
Enid Symphony Orchestra Summer Recital Series (Enid, Oklahoma)
- Feb. 21, 2012 Guest Artist Recital
Hastings College (Hastings, Nebraska)
- Oct. 30, 2010 Guest Artist Recital: Octubafest
Wayne State College (Wayne, Nebraska)
- Jan. 14, 2010 Joint Faculty Recital with Gary Reeves, Horn
The University of South Dakota (Vermillion, South Dakota)
- Oct. 30, 2009 Guest Artist Recital: Octubafest
Wayne State College (Wayne, Nebraska)
- April 24, 2009 Faculty Showcase
The University of South Dakota (Vermillion, South Dakota)
- Feb. 8, 2009 Faculty Showcase
The University of South Dakota (Sioux Falls, South Dakota)
- Dec. 5, 2007 Faculty Artist Recital
Rocky Mountain College (Billings, Montana)
- Jan. 31, 2007 Faculty Artist Recital
Del Mar College (Corpus Christi, Texas)
- Feb. 5, 2003 Faculty Artist Recital
Olivet College (Olivet, Michigan)
- Dec. 2, 2004 DMA Graduate Recital
Michigan State University (East Lansing, Michigan)
- March 18, 2003 DMA Graduate Recital
Michigan State University (East Lansing, Michigan)
- Feb. 22, 2002 DMA Graduate Recital
Michigan State University (East Lansing, Michigan)
- April 7, 2001 DMA Graduate Recital
Michigan State University (East Lansing, Michigan)
- Sept. 17, 2001 DMA Graduate Recital
Michigan State University (East Lansing, Michigan)
- June 25, 2000 MM Graduate Recital
The University of Akron (Akron, Ohio)
- March 27, 1995 Composers' Symposium
The University of New Mexico (Albuquerque, New Mexico)
- March 31, 1994 MM Graduate Recital
The University of New Mexico (Albuquerque, New Mexico)

- Sept. 27, 1992 Scholarship Recipient's Recital
 Tuesday Musical Club (Akron, Ohio)
- Sept. 27, 1992 BM Undergraduate Recital
 The University of Akron (Akron, Ohio)
- Nov. 18, 1990 BM Undergraduate Recital
 The University of Akron (Akron, Ohio)

CHAMBER PERFORMANCES (TUBA)

- May 4, 2022 Faculty Brass Quintet
 Texas A&M University - Commerce
- April 23, 2022 Tuba Quartet
 A&M Commerce Tuba/Euphonium Ensemble Recital
 Texas A&M University - Commerce
- May 3, 2016 Tuba Trio with Piano, Tuba de Mayo Festival
 University of Texas Rio Grande Valley (Edinburg, Texas)
- Mar. 3-4, 2016 Borealis Brass (Brass Choir setting of Leonard Bernstein's *Mass*)
 University of Texas Rio Grande Valley (Edinburg & Brownsville, Texas)
- July 29, 2015 Black Hills Tuba/Euphonium Quartet (Rapid City, South Dakota)
- May 3, 2010 South Dakota Brass Quintet
 The University of South Dakota (Vermillion, South Dakota)
- Feb. 19, 2010 P.D.Q. Bach's Lunch
 National Music Museum (Vermillion, South Dakota)
- Dec. 4, 2009 South Dakota Brass Quintet
 National Music Museum (Vermillion, South Dakota)
- May 5, 2009 South Dakota Brass Quintet
 The University of South Dakota (Vermillion, South Dakota)
- Dec. 5, 2008 South Dakota Brass Quintet
 National Music Museum (Vermillion, South Dakota)
- Nov. 4, 2006 Composer's Recital
 Del Mar College (Corpus Christi, Texas)
- April 17, 2004 53 Feet of Brass (Brass Quintet)
 Michigan State University (East Lansing, Michigan)
- April 6, 2003 53 Feet of Brass (Brass Quintet)
 Michigan State University (East Lansing, Michigan)
- Nov. 12, 2002 DMA Graduate Chamber Recital
 Michigan State University (East Lansing, Michigan)

ADJUDICATION & CLINICIAN EXPERIENCE (PERFORMANCE)

- July 4-6, 2024 Tuba Artist Competition Judge: 2024 Congress
Asociación Española de Tubas y Bombardinos
**Conservatorio Profesional de Música de Santiago de Compostela
(Santiago de Compostela, Spain)**
- May 18, 2024 Young Tuba Artist and Tuba Artist Competition Judge
Great Plains Regional Tuba Euphonium Conference
University of Nebraska at Kearney (Kearney, Nebraska)
- April 22, 2023 Competition Judge
V Conferência da ETB
Associação de Eufônios e Tubas do Brasil
Bragança Paulista, São Paulo (Brasil)
- April 3, 2023 Low Brass Masterclass
Eastern New Mexico University (Portales, New Mexico)
- Nov. 12, 2022 Tuba Judge: Texas Region 3 Middle School Band Auditions
(Heath, Texas)
- July 9-10, 2022 Student Tuba Competition Judge: 2022 Congress
Asociación Española de Tubas y Bombardinos
Superior Conservatory of Music (Málaga, Spain)
- Mar. 19-21, 2022 Student Euphonium Judge
South Central Regional Tuba Euphonium Conference (SCRTEC)
Oklahoma State University
- Dec. 3, 2021 Tuba Judge: Texas Region 3 High School Band Auditions
(Garland, Texas)
- Nov. 10, 2021 Tuba Judge: Texas Region 3 Middle School Band Auditions
(Heath, Texas)
- Jan. 8, 2021 Tuba & Euphonium Clinician, Pre-UIL Camp
Rockwall Cain Middle School (Rockwall, Texas)
- Sept. 2020 Tuba Clinician, Region Etudes
Rockwall-Heath High School (Heath, Texas)
- Aug. 3-4, 2020 Tuba & Euphonium Clinician, Virtual
Rockwall Cain Middle School Jumpstart Camp (Rockwall, Texas)
- Dec. 7, 2019 Tuba Judge: Texas Region 25 High School Band Auditions
(Wylie, Texas)
- Nov. 16, 2019 Tuba Judge: Texas Region 3 Middle School Band Auditions
(Mesquite, Texas)

- Nov. 22-23, 2019 Euphonium Judge, Tuba Judge
ATSSB Tuba Masterclass; TMEA Tuba Masterclass
62nd Jr./Sr. Honor Band Festival, Texas A&M University – Commerce
- Sept. 4, 2019 Rockwall Utley Middle School Region Clinic (Rockwall, Texas)
- Jan. 11, 2019 Rockwall Cain Middle School Mini-Band Camp (Rockwall, Texas)
- Dec. 1, 2018 Tuba Judge: Texas Region 3 High School Band Auditions
(Richardson, Texas)
- Nov. 10, 2018 Tuba Judge: Texas Region 3 Middle School Band Auditions
(Mesquite, Texas)
- July 23, 2018 Young Artist Tuba Competition: 2018 Congress
Asociación Española de Tubas y Bombardinos
Super Regional ITEA Conference
Royal Conservatory of Music (Madrid, Spain)
- Mar. 15-17, 2018 Chamber Ensemble Competition
South Central Regional Tuba Euphonium Conference
West Texas A&M University (Canyon, Texas)
- Jan. 12, 2018 Rockwall Utley Middle School Mini-Band Camp (Rockwall, Texas)
- Jan. 5, 2018 Rockwall Cain Middle School Mini-Band Camp (Rockwall, Texas)
- Dec. 2, 2017 Tuba Judge: Texas Region 3 High School Band Auditions
(Richardson, Texas)
- Nov. 11, 2017 Tuba Judge: Texas Region 3 Middle School Band Auditions
(Mesquite, Texas)
- Oct. 31, 2017 Low Brass Clinician, Forney Brown Middle School Region Night
(Forney, Texas)
- Oct. 3, 2017 Low Brass Clinician, Forney Brown Middle School Region Night
(Forney, Texas)
- Mar. 28, 2017 Low Brass Clinician, Rockwall Heath High School Bands
(Rockwall, Texas)
- Dec. 3, 2016 Tenor Trombone Judge
Texas Region 3 High School Band Auditions (Richardson, Texas)
- Nov. 12, 2016 Tenor Trombone and Tuba Judge
Texas Region 3 Middle School Band Auditions (Mesquite, Texas)
- Nov. 5, 2016 Tuba & Euphonium Clinician, Rockwall Utley & Cain Middle School
Region Clinic (Rockwall, Texas)
- Oct. 22, 2016 Tuba & Euphonium Clinician, Rockwall Williams Middle School
Region Etude Workshop (Rockwall, Texas)

Oct. 8, 2016	Tuba & Euphonium Clinician, Rockwall Utley & Cain Middle School Region Clinic (Rockwall, Texas)
Nov. 14, 2015	Euphonium Judge Texas Region 28 High School Band Auditions (Harlingen, Texas)
Sept. 5, 2015	Tuba Clinician, All-State Etudes for High School Students University of Texas Rio Grande Valley (Brownsville, Texas)
May 23, 2015	Brass Judge, Tri-State Music Festival (Enid, Oklahoma)
Feb. 17-18, 2015	Band Judge, Midwest Music Festival and Clinic (Enid, Oklahoma)
Mar. 11, 2014	Band Judge & Clinician; Solo & Ensemble Judge & Clinician Pre-Region Festival at South Barber High School (Kiowa, Kansas)
Feb. 12, 2014	Band Judge, Midwest Music Festival and Clinic (Enid, Oklahoma)
Feb. 6, 2013	Brass Judge Region 8 High School Solo & Ensemble (Rapid City, South Dakota)
Feb. 23, 2012	Brass Judge Rapid City Middle School Solo & Ensemble (Rapid City, South Dakota)
Feb. 8, 2012	Brass Judge Region 8 High School Solo & Ensemble (Rapid City, South Dakota)
Feb. 9, 2011	Brass Judge Region 8 High School Solo & Ensemble (Rapid City, South Dakota)
April 2008	Band Judge District 9 Band & Orchestra Festival (Billings, Montana)
Feb. 26, 2005	Low Brass Clinician: Tenth Annual Red Cedar Festival of Community Bands (Okemos, Michigan)
April 1997	Tuba Clinician: Arizona All-State Elementary Band
April 1996	Low Brass Clinician: Arizona All-State Elementary Band

CLINICIAN APPEARANCES (LECTURE)

July 4, 2024	A History of the International Tuba Euphonium Association: The Vision of the Founders 2024 Congress: Asociación Española de Tubas y Bombardinos Conservatorio Profesional de Música de Santiago de Compostela (Santiago de Compostela, Spain)
May 18, 2024	Taking Care of your Euphonium-Tuba Section: a guide for music educators Great Plains Regional Tuba Euphonium Conference University of Nebraska at Kearney (Kearney, Nebraska)

- June 3, 2023 Panel Discussion with Dan Perantoni, Mark Nelson, Mary Ann Craig, Toru Miura, Brian Bowman, James Self and James Gourlay:
The History of the International Tuba Euphonium Association at the 50th Anniversary of the Association.
Arizona State University (Tempe, Arizona)
International Tuba Euphonium Conference 2023
- May 30-June 3 2023 Poster Displays for the 50th Anniversary Celebration of the International Tuba Euphonium Association (founded as Tubists Brotherhood Association) (ITEC 2023). Large 40"x60" posters contained biographies of Lifetime Achievement Recipients and links to online webpages on the www.drobnakbrass.com website. An additional poster included the logo and/or cover page of every International Tuba Euphonium Conference or Symposium.
- April 21, 2023 History of the International Tuba Euphonium Association
V Conferência da ETB
Associação de Eufônios e Tubas do Brasil
Bragança Paulista, São Paulo (Brasil)
- May 30, 2021 A History of ITEA [International Tuba Euphonium Association]
Virtual International Tuba Euphonium Conference
Online
- Feb. 20, 2020 The Best That is Within Our Limits to Produce: The Small School Band Programs of Oscar Stover
Southwestern CBDNA Divisional Conference
University of Oklahoma (Norman, Oklahoma)
- May 23, 2015 Prototype and Reference Tubas from the Holton Factory Reference Collection at The National Music Museum
Great Plains Regional Tuba Euphonium Conference
Oklahoma City University (Oklahoma City, Oklahoma)
- March 2015 Poster: Oscar Stover: An Overview of His Career From Coffeyville, Kansas, to Michigan State and Finally to Alva, Oklahoma
College Band Directors National Association National Conference
Vanderbilt University (Nashville, Tennessee)
- Mar. 16, 2015 The Music Ensembles of Oscar Stover
The Alva Supper Club (Alva, Oklahoma)
- May 24, 2014 Prototype and Reference Tubas from the Holton Factory Reference Collection at The National Music Museum
International Tuba Euphonium Conference
Indiana University (Bloomington, Indiana)

- Oct. 20, 2012 The Serpent: An Historical Overview
Octubafest: Wayne State College (Wayne, Nebraska)
- Feb. 20, 2012 Tubas, Business Practice and the American Musical Instrument
Manufacturing Industry, 1898-2008
Hastings College Guest Lecture Series (Hastings, Nebraska)
- Mar. 19, 2011 Prototype and Reference Tubas from the Holton Factory Reference
Collection at The National Music Museum
Tubonium 8.5: Gustavus Adolphus College (St. Peter, Minnesota)
- Oct. 30, 2010 19th to 20th Century: Bombardons, Saxhorns, Euphoniums with Single
and Double Bell
Octubafest: Wayne State College (Wayne, Nebraska)
- Oct. 31, 2009 Prototype and Reference Tubas from the Holton Factory Reference
Collection at The National Music Museum
Octubafest: Wayne State College (Wayne, Nebraska)

APPEARANCES CANCELED DUE TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

- Mar. 14, 2020 Artist Recital, Northeast Regional Tuba Euphonium Conference
Ithaca College (Ithaca, New York)
- Mar. 21, 2020 Artist Recital, South Central Regional Tuba Euphonium Conference
Chamber Ensemble Competition Judging Panel
Oklahoma State University (Stillwater, Oklahoma)
- April 4, 2020 Tuba Solo with Mesquite Community Band (Mesquite, Texas)
Premiere of new band edition of *Billy Blowhard*
- April 12, 2020 DFW Brass Chamber Ensemble
Arlington, Texas
- May 9, 2020 Artist Recital, Great Plains Regional Tuba Euphonium Conference
Chamber Ensemble Competition Judging Panel
University of Nebraska at Kearney (Kearney, Nebraska)
- July 6 – 12, 2020 Tuba Artist Recital: 2020 Congress
Asociación Española de Tubas y Bombardinos
(Malaga, Spain)

GUEST CONDUCTOR APPEARANCES

- Mar. 26, 2012 24th Annual Eastside Young Band Festival
Rapid City Public Schools (Rapid City, South Dakota)
- Jan. 26, 2009 Honor Band Conductor: Quad State Honor Band Festival
The University of South Dakota (Vermillion, South Dakota)
- Feb. 2008 Eastern Montana Class A High School Band Festival
(Miles City, Montana)

SOLO APPEARANCES WITH BAND

- July 12, 2023 Rapid City Municipal Band (Rapid City, South Dakota)
Solo Pomposo by Al Hayes (Henry Fillmore)
band arrangement by Ken Drobnak
- July 20, 2022 Rapid City Municipal Band (Rapid City, South Dakota)
- June 20, 2018 Rapid City Municipal Band (Rapid City, South Dakota)
100th Anniversary Season Celebration
- July 26, 2017 Rapid City Municipal Band (Rapid City, South Dakota)
- Oct. 15, 2016 Mesquite Community Band (Mesquite, Texas)
- July 2015 Rapid City Municipal Band (Rapid City, South Dakota)
- June 2014 Rapid City Municipal Band (Rapid City, South Dakota)
- July 2013 Rapid City Municipal Band (Rapid City, South Dakota)
- July 2012 Rapid City Municipal Band (Rapid City, South Dakota)
- May 2005 Michigan State University Campus Band (East Lansing, Michigan)
- July 2004 Capitol City Brass Band (Lansing, Michigan)

AUDITIONS & COMPETITIONS (TUBA)

- October 2007 Winner, Helena Symphony Orchestra Tuba Audition (Helena, MT)
- July 2004 Semi-finalist, 2004 I.T.E.C. Mock Orchestral Audition
- April 2003 Semi-finalist, U.S.A.F. Band - Ceremonial Brass Audition
- May 2002 National Wind Ensemble (New York) - Principal Tuba
- September 2001 Finalist, Avatar Brass Quintet Audition (Grand Rapids, Michigan)
- Spring 1992 Brass winner, Tuesday Music Club Scholarship (Akron, Ohio)
- Spring 1992 Finalist, The University of Akron Concerto Competition
- Spring 1991 Finalist, The University of Akron Concerto Competition
- Spring 1990 Finalist, The University of Akron Concerto Competition

PUBLICATIONS – SHEET MUSIC

Fauré, Gabriel. *Cantique de Jean Racine*. Arranged for Tuba/Euphonium Ensemble or Quartet (Tuba Euphonium Press) 1994.

Gabrieli, Giovanni. *Canon Noni Toni a12*. Arranged Triple Choir Tuba/Euphonium Ensemble from Frederick Fennell's Brass Choir Edition (Tuba Euphonium Press) 2004.

Puccini, Giacomo. *O Mio Babbino Caro*. Arranged for Tuba and Piano (Cimarron Press) 2016.

Renaissance Choral Music, volume 1. Works by: Eustache Du Caurroy, Giovanni Croce, Johann Eccard, Melchior Franck, Nikolaus Selnecker and Johann Walther. Arranged for Tuba/Euphonium Ensemble or Quartet (Tuba Euphonium Press) 2001.

Renaissance Choral Music, volume 2. Works by: Giovanni Croce, Jakob Handl, Orlandus Lassus, Luca Marenzio, Giovanni Pergolesi and Tomas da Vittoria. Arranged for Tuba/Euphonium Ensemble or Quartet (Tuba Euphonium Press) 2001.

Rossini, Gioacchino. *Overture to the Opera William Tell*. Arranged for Solo Tuba in a Brass Quintet (Tuba Euphonium Press) 1997.

Strauss, Richard. *Two Strauss Songs* (from *Four Last Songs*). Arranged for Solo Tuba and Piano (Tuba Euphonium Press) 2004.

Telemann, Georg Philip. *Largo and Allegro from Sonata no. 4* (TWV 40: 104). Transcribed for Two Tubas (Tuba Euphonium Press) 1997.

Telemann, Georg Philip. *Six Duets* (Six Sonatas TWV 40: 101-106). Transcribed for Two Tubas (Tuba Euphonium Press) 1997.

Telemann, Georg Philip. *Sonata* (in F minor, transcribed to C minor). Transcribed for Tuba and Piano (Tuba Euphonium Press) 1998.

Telemann, Georg Philip. *Sonata in C Major – Transcribed to Eb Major* (TWV 41: C2). Transcribed for Tuba and Piano (Tuba Euphonium Press) 1999.

Telemann, Georg Philip. *Sonata in F Major* (TWV 41: F3). Transcribed for Tuba and Piano (Tuba Euphonium Press) 1993.

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Tchaikovsky, Peter. *Andante Cantabile from String Quartet no. 1*. Arranged for Tuba/Euphonium Ensemble or Quartet (Tuba Euphonium Press) 2002.

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Traditional Banda. *Arriba Pichataro*. Arranged for seven-part Tuba/Euphonium Ensemble (Cimarron Press) 2016.

Traditional Mariachi. *La Guadalupana*. Arranged for Tuba/Euphonium Ensemble or Quartet (Cimarron Press) 2016.

Vivaldi, Antonio. *Sonata in la minor*. Arranged for Tuba, Harpsichord and Cello (Tuba Euphonium Press) 1996.

PUBLICATIONS – JOURNAL ARTICLES

I reviewed new music and recordings for the Tubists Universal Brotherhood Association/International Tuba Euphonium Association Journal from 1999-2007. Details available on request.

AETVB Festival, July 20-25, 2018: Real Conservatoria Superior, Madrid, Spain. Review. International Tuba Euphonium Association Journal 46, 2 (Winter 2019) 50-52. Print.

Articles From The Early Years: Sam Pilafian and the Empire Brass Quintet. Looking Back Column. International Tuba Euphonium Journal 47, 1 (Fall 2019) 31-34. Print.

A Catalog of Upright Tubas by Frank Holton & Company at the National Music Museum. International Tuba Euphonium Association Journal 38, 1 (Fall 2010) 92-96. Print.

Biographical Profile: Arthur W. Lehman. Looking Back Column. International Tuba Euphonium Association Journal 50, 2 (Winter 2023), 23-26. Print.

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- The Process of Cataloging an Unsigned Tuba.* International Tuba Euphonium Association Journal 37, 4 (Summer 2010) 46-47. Print.
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- The Tuba in Europe & Biographical Profile of Bob Tucci.* Looking Back Column. International Tuba Euphonium Association Journal 50, 3 (Spring 2023) 35-40. Print.
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PUBLICATIONS – WEBPAGE CREATION & COMPUTER SKILLS

- 2014 – present www.drobnakbrass.com. Personal website. Contains research on Holton instruments and the biography of Oscar Stover. Exercises and handouts for current students, along with important dates. Links to YouTube recordings and sheet music distributors.
- ITEA History and information for ITEC 2023 (Arizona State University) Biographies of Lifetime Achievement Recipients
- 2016 – 2018 www.scrtec2017.com. Information about the 2017 South Central Regional Tuba Euphonium Conference at the University of Texas Rio Grande Valley. Images available on request.
- 2013 – 2015 Band pages at www.nwsu.edu. Information for current and future students. Performance schedules and other public information.
- 2010 – 2013 Band pages at www.sdsmt.edu. Information for current and future students. Performance schedules and other public information.
- 1988 – present Experience with MacOS and related music software, office software
- 2000 – present Experience with Windows and related office software

COMMISSIONS

- May 2019 Fernando Deddos *Loui* for Tuba and Piano or Euphonium and Piano
- April 2022 Eric Rombach-Kendall Memorial Commission
College Band Directors National Association

DISCOGRAPHY

- 2021 2021-2022 T.M.E.A. Tuba Etude Practice Series
YouTube Channel: Ken Drobnak
- 2019 2019-2020 T.M.E.A. Tuba Etude Practice Series
Over 250 practice videos with metronome for student practice.
Index: <http://drobnakbrass.com/index.php/lessons/student-information/youtube-practice-series/> (12 January 2020)
YouTube Channel: Ken Drobnak
- 2003 Tuba
Simple Gifts – The Music of Frank Ticheli Vol. 2
Michigan State University Wind Symphony, John Whitwell, Conductor
Mark Records

NOTABLE CONDUCTING PERFORMANCES

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

www.drobnakbrass.com

College Band Directors National Association
Ohio Music Education Association
New Mexico Music Education Association
Arizona Music Education Association
Music Educators National Conference
Oklahoma Music Theory Roundtable
South Dakota Bandmasters
Texas Bandmasters Association
Montana Music Education Association
Oklahoma Music Education Association
Arizona Education Association
National Education Association
College Music Society
Akron Federation of Musicians Local No. 24

2017 – present	<u>Historian</u> , International Tuba Euphonium Association
2017 – present	<u>Board of Directors</u> , International Tuba Euphonium Association
2016 – present	<u>Clifford Bevan Award Committee</u> (International Tuba Euphonium Association) Chair, 2017 – present Member, 2015 – present
2020 – 2022	Mission Review Committee, International Tuba Euphonium Association (Member)

March 2017	South Central Regional Tuba Euphonium Conference University of Texas Rio Grande Valley (Edinburg, Texas)
December 2016	TubaChristmas (South Padre Island, Texas)
March 2015	Large Group / Solo & Ensemble Festival (High School) Oklahoma Secondary Schools Activities Association Northwestern Oklahoma State University (Alva, Oklahoma)
October 2014	Homecoming Parade: Contest & Festival Northwestern Oklahoma State University (Alva, Oklahoma)
March 2014	Large Group / Solo & Ensemble Festival (High School) Oklahoma Secondary Schools Activities Association Northwestern Oklahoma State University (Alva, Oklahoma)
October 2013	Homecoming Parade: Contest & Festival Northwestern Oklahoma State University (Alva, Oklahoma)

March 2013 South Dakota Intercollegiate Band at the All-State Band Festival
(Rapid City, South Dakota)

December 2012 TubaChristmas (Rapid City, South Dakota)

December 2011 TubaChristmas (Rapid City, South Dakota)

January 2009 Quad State Honor Band Festival
The University of South Dakota (Vermillion, South Dakota)

December 2006 TubaChristmas (Corpus Christi, Texas)

HONORS AND AWARDS

February 2024 TMEA (Texas Music Education Association)
5A Honor Band - Frisco Lone Star Wind Symphony

- tuba section students of Dr. Drobnak, several from beginners
- Mark Poole is the Director of Bands

December 2023 Frisco Lone Star Wind Symphony, Mark Poole Director
performance at The Midwest Clinic (Chicago, Illinois)

- tuba section students of Dr. Drobnak, several from beginners

May 2004 Pi Kappa Lambda, Michigan State University

April 2004 The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi, Michigan State University

2001 – 2004 Music Scholarship, Michigan State University

May 2002 Principal Tuba
National Wind Ensemble (New York, New York)
Performance in Carnegie Hall

2002 Finalist, Honored Scholars and Artists Program, National Alliance for Excellence

1993 – 1995 Full Teaching Assistantship, The University of New Mexico

1988 – 1993 Music Scholarship, The University of Akron

Summer 1994 Scholarship, Rafael Mendez Brass Institute (Arizona State University)

1989 – 1993 Dean's List, The University of Akron

1989 – 1993 Academic Scholarship, The University of Akron

1992 Tuesday Musical Club Brass Scholarship Recipient (Akron, Ohio)

1989 Alpha Lambda Delta, The University of Akron

1989 Phi Eta Sigma, The University of Akron

- 1988 Outstanding Senior in Music, Medina High School
- 1988 Kanehl Music Scholarship (Medina, Ohio)
- 1988 F.W.R. Behrens Memorial Scholarship (Medina, Ohio)