

# Jack J. Hontz

## EDUCATION

- D.M.A. Wind Conducting** 2023  
University of Miami, Miami, FL  
Primary Teacher: Dr. Robert Carnochan
- M.M. Wind Conducting** 2020  
West Chester University of Pennsylvania, West Chester, PA  
Primary Teacher: Dr. Andrew Yozviak
- B.M. Music Education and Clarinet Performance** 2015  
West Chester University of Pennsylvania, West Chester, PA  
Primary Teachers: Dr. Karen Danessa, Dr. Andrew Yozviak, Dr. M. Gregory Martin

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

### **VISITING ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF WIND CONDUCTING | UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA AT HUNTSVILLE**

Huntsville, AL | 2023-present

#### **Conductor – University of Alabama at Huntsville Wind Ensemble**

- Lead the Wind Ensemble, the University's premiere wind band, in rehearsal and performance of appropriate repertoire and oversaw all administrative, creative, and recruitment aspects of running a collegiate wind ensemble

#### **Instructor – Introduction to Music Literature**

- Instructor of record for two sections of MU 100 (Introduction to Music Literature), responsibilities included all planning, teaching, assessment, and other aspects included with teaching a collegiate-level course

## **GRADUATE TEACHING ASSISTANT | UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI**

Miami, FL | 2020-2023

### **Conductor – University “U” Band**

- Lead ensemble comprised of both music and non-music major in rehearsal and performance of appropriate repertoire

### **Guest Conductor – Frost Wind Ensemble, Frost Symphonic Winds**

- Lead both main concert bands in rehearsal and performance of appropriate repertoire multiple times, annually

### **Rehearsal Technician – Frost Band of the Hour Marching and Pep Band**

- Assist Frost Band of the Hour in weekly rehearsals
- Assist at various athletic functions, primarily football, and basketball games

### **Administrative Duties – Frost Wind Ensemble, Frost Symphonic Winds, University “U” Band**

- Perform all necessary administrative tasks
- Collaborate with all wind and percussion studio faculty to coordinate ensemble personnel
- Disseminate part assignments, music, schedules, locations, etc. to personnel
- Prepare all concert materials
- Prepare and coordinate dissemination of all promotional materials using social media channels
- Coordinate trips, including performance at the 2023 CBDNA National Conference, Athens, GA

## **INSTRUCTOR OF CONDUCTING | UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI**

Miami, FL | 2020-2023

### **Undergraduate Conducting Instructor**

- Teach MIP 407: Basic Conducting and Arranging for Music Performance Majors

### **Graduate Conducting Instructor**

- Teach CDX: Private Conducting Lessons for Graduate Performance Majors

**GRADUATE TEACHING ASSISTANT | WEST CHESTER UNIVERSITY**  
West Chester, PA | 2019

**Guest Conductor – West Chester University Wind Ensemble, Wind Symphony, and Concert Band**

- Led all three, main concert bands in rehearsal and performance of appropriate repertoire multiple times, annually

**Rehearsal Technician – Incomparable Golden Ram Marching Band**

- Assisted with weekly field rehearsals
- Assisted with football games and exhibitions, including the 2019 Bands of America Grand National Championships, Indianapolis, IN

**DIRECTOR OF BANDS | B. REED HENDERSON HIGH SCHOOL**  
West Chester, PA | 2015-2020

**Conductor – Wind Ensemble, Concert Band, Jazz Ensemble, Jazz Lab Band**

- Led all concert ensembles in weekly rehearsal and multiple performances, annually
- Oversaw all administrative aspects of the ensembles, including: recruitment and retention, coordinating a yearly budget, communicating with administrators, parents, and students, and maintaining a consistent vision for the program of growth, inclusion, and excellence

**Director – Marching Warriors**

- Led the Henderson Marching Warriors in rehearsal and performance at football games, festivals, parades, and various school events
- Oversaw all administrative aspects of the ensemble including recruitment and retention, coordinating a yearly budget, communicating with administrators, parents, and students, and maintaining a consistent vision for the program of growth, inclusion, and excellence

**Instructor – Advanced Placement Music Theory, Music Theory I**

- Taught all music theory courses, leading class through a curriculum and differentiating when necessary to meet student needs
- Prepared students for the Advanced Placement Music Theory Exam

## **FROST YOUNG ARTISTS CAMP | UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI**

Miami, FL | 2022

### **Conductor – Frost Young Artist Camp Wind Ensemble**

- Led weekly rehearsals and performance of appropriate repertoire
- Coordinated and oversaw sectional work within the Wind Ensemble
- Introduced students to new genres and conducted a limited survey of the wind ensemble repertoire

### **Instructor – Frost Young Artist Camp Symphony Orchestra**

- Ran daily sectionals for the wind section of the Symphony Orchestra
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## **GROUP LESSON INSTRUCTOR | WALLINGFORD-SWARTHMORE SUMMER MUSIC PROGRAM**

Wallingford, PA | 2012-2017

### **Lesson Instructor**

- Led both small group and individual private lessons for students, grades 4-12, on all wind and percussion instruments
- Guest conducted camp concert band, middle school band, and beginning band
- Coordinated with camp faculty to devise a differentiated curriculum that could be tailored to each student

## **SCHOLARLY RESEARCH AND CREATIVE WORK**

### **ARRANGEMENTS AND TRANSCRIPTIONS**

#### ***D'un soir triste*, Lili Boulanger/trans. Hontz (1918/2022)**

- Transcribed from symphony orchestra to wind ensemble
- Performed by University of Miami Frost Wind Ensemble
- Score and recording available upon request

#### ***D'un matin de printemps*, Lili Boulanger/trans. Hontz (1918/2021)**

- Transcribed from symphony orchestra to wind ensemble
- Performed by
  - o University of Miami Frost Wind Ensemble
  - o University of Texas at Austin Wind Ensemble

- West Chester University Wind Ensemble
- University of Missouri-Kansas City Wind Ensemble
- Columbus State Wind Ensemble
- Texas State Wind Symphony
- Ball State Wind Ensemble
- Available at <https://murphymusicpress.com/products/cb5-838>

***Mr. Blue Sky*, Jeff Lynne/arr. Hontz (1977/2021)**

- Arranged for athletic band
- Score available upon request

***Three Preludes*, Claude Debussy/trans. Hontz (1910/2019)**

- Transcribed from piano to chamber winds
- Performed by
  - East Texas Chamber Winds
  - West Chester University Chamber Winds
- Score and recording available upon request

## RECORDINGS

***Ribbons* (2022), West Chester University Wind Ensemble, Andrew Yozviak conducting, Mark Records – Assistant Producer**

***Cenotaph* (2021), West Chester University Wind Ensemble, Andrew Yozviak conducting, Mark Records – Assistant Producer**

***Hosannas* (2019), West Chester University Wind Ensemble, Andrew Yozviak conducting, Mark Records – Assistant Producer**

## GUEST CONDUCTING AND LECTURES

**Guest Conductor | Frost Saxophone Ensemble**

November 1, 2022 – Conducted *Serenade, op. 44*, Dvorak/arr. O'Connor

**Guest Lecturer | West Chester University Theory, Composition and History Department**

October 27, 2022 – Guest lecturer for an orchestration class of undergraduate students, discussing the transcription process of Lili Boulanger's *D'un matin de printemps*

**Guest Conductor | Frost Flute Ensemble**

November 4, 2021 – Conducted the world premiere of Julia Wolfe's *Oxygen*  
(2021)

## **REFERENCES**

### **Robert Carnochan**

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