

# David Thomas

Educator, Musician, Conductor

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**History of orchestrating and enhancing musical excellence** in organizations, inspiring expectancy toward the future.

**Professional musician, arranger, and educator**, with thirty-two years of instrumental and choral conducting expertise.

**Refined communication skills** and ability to connect with student and professional musicians in unique ways, fostering an atmosphere of collaboration and excellence, conducive to learning and resulting in exceptional performances.

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

### Woodwind Instructor

Grayson High School Marching Band, Grayson, GA

- Instruction and direction during band camp & competition season
- Created custom arrangements for marching band stand tunes

### Substitute Teacher, *Fine Arts Specialist*

Gwinnett County Public Schools

Frequently called upon for high school fine arts & technology classes

### Worship Pastor / Administrator / Founder

Truth Tabernacle of Praise, Stone Mountain, GA

- Co-founder of new church
- Administrator for all organizational and logistic tasks
- Directly responsible for every facet of music programming, weekly performances and all technologies including computers, audio, video & web stream systems

### Minister of Music and Worship

Rehoboth Baptist Church, Tucker, GA

Mabel White Baptist Church, Macon, GA

First Baptist Church, Callahan, FL

- Directly responsible for fully graded choral programs, pre-K thru adult, including annual selection of curriculum
- Conducted music rehearsals, designed and led new services weekly for primary performance groups: Adult Choir and Orchestra
- Music Director / Pit Conductor for Annual Theatrical Productions
- Led two relocation projects including planning and design of music areas, as well as logistics for moving entire organization

## SKILLS

Professional Full-Time Musician

Gifted Instrumental and Choral Conductor

Arranger and Orchestrator

Music Technology Expert (PC and Mac adept)  
(Finale, Pro Tools, Logic Pro X)

Producer of Live Audio Recordings

Studio Quality Pianist

Accomplished Vocal Soloist and Saxophonist

Expert Sight Reader

Proficient with MIDI Keyboards / Synthesizers

Strong Organizational, Time Management,  
Problem Solving and Planning Skills

Superior Written and Verbal Communication

## HIGHLIGHTS

**GACE Music I & II Certification**  
at **Professional Level**

Experienced **Jazz Band Director**

Proven and Confident Leadership of  
**Instrumental and Choral** Ensembles

Choir & Orchestra Conductor for **Premiere**  
**Event** of a **Major Music Publisher**

Music Director for **National** and **International**  
Music & Creative Arts Events

Established a **School of the Arts**

**Private Music Instructor**, Saxophone, Piano,  
and Voice

## EDUCATION

**Bachelor of General Studies, Music**  
William Carey University, Hattiesburg, MS

**Associate of Arts**  
Florida State College at Jacksonville, FL