#### **Todd Williams**

## Assistant Professor of Music Education Indiana Wesleyan University, Marion, IN

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#### **Professional Preparation**

**2018** Public Lecture, Indiana University: Perceptions of Meaning in Jazz

Listening: An exploration of the effects of different listening strategies on

attention and emotion.

**2014-Present Doctoral coursework**, Indiana University, Bloomington, IN

**Master of Arts** in Music Education, Columbia Teachers College, New

York, NY

**1997 Bachelor of Music**, Manhattan School of Music, New York, NY

**1985-1987 Applied Music Major**, saxophone, Eastman School of Music, Rochester,

NY

## **Teaching Appointments**

2012-Present Assistant Professor, Indiana Wesleyan University

Jazz Ensemble Director

Jazz Combo

Saxophone Quartet

Applied Study, Saxophone

Fine Arts. MUS 180

Music for Non-Music Majors

Woodwind Tech
Secondary Methods

Independent Jazz Theory/Piano

Independent Vocal Jazz

#### 2007-2012 Instrumental Music Teacher, Tuxedo Park School

Jazz Band

Concert Band

Private Instruction

Saxophone

Flute

Clarinet

**Trumpet** 

Trombone

Bass

Drums

Ukulele

6th Grade General Music

African Drumming

## (Teaching Appointments Continued)

Music of the 1960's Electronic Music

## 1997-2000 Visiting Assistant/Assistant Professor, Jazz Studies, Aaron Copland

School of Music, Queens College, Flushing, NY-Graduate and

Undergraduate level

Advanced Jazz Improvisation Contemporary Jazz Theory

Private Instruction

Saxophone

Clarinet

Independent Study in Jazz Improvisation

Vocal Jazz Ensemble

## **Work Appointments**

2005-2006 Times Square Church, New York, NY

**Director of Songwriting and Development** 

Composed/Arranged music for 130 voice choir,

Composed for Congregational singing, Arranged for band accompaniment

Held Songwriter's Workshop

Original Christmas Script, Joseph, Son of Israel

#### 2000-2005 Music Director

Administrator of 10-person staff

Conducted interviews/auditions for choir participation

Conducted weekly choir/instrumental rehearsals

Maintained and revised annual budget for department

Performed five services weekly—saxophone, keyboard

Conducted public meetings throughout NYC and internationally with the

TSC Choir and Band

**2007** East Side House Settlement, New York, NY

Consultant/Music Instructor, Mott Haven Village Prep High School

Created Curriculum Music Appreciation

Composer and coordinator of graduation music

## **Artistic Appointments**

1987-1993 Wynton Marsalis Group-saxophonist, clarinetist

Daily Performances of jazz music in theaters, clubs and concert halls

Movie soundtrack "Tune in Tomorrow

NBC TV, The Jay Leno Show & Shannon's Deal Children's TV music for Charlie Brown, Sesame Street

Video and Interview Experience

Co-Instructor of master classes/clinics

Extensive CD recording, featured solos and original compositions

2007 In this House/On This Morning Reunion Band Concerts, Rose Hall, NYC

#### **Conference Presentation**

Lecture and Guest Coach, Juilliard School of Music: Playing in the Spirit
 Keynote speaker: *Music and the Written Word Conference*, Brigham

Young University

**2017** Utah Music Educators Convention

Lecture Clinician

2016 University of Maryland, CIC Music Education Conference

Poster Presenter, Jazz Listening Experiences

### **Creative Activity**

1998-2019 Jazz@Lincoln Center

Essentially Ellington National Competition Adjudicator-2018

Firestone Front Row Students/performance with LCJO

JALC Regional EE Competition Clinician-Michigan State Univ.-2019

JALC Regional EE Competition Adjudicator-SIUE JALC Regional EE Competition Adjudicator-Cincinnati

JALC Regional EE Competition Adjudicator-U. of NC, Chapel Hill JALC Jazz Residency-Jazz St. Louis w/Terell Stafford, Jeff Hamilton

Jazz and Business Workshop, Ft. Lauderdale, Fla You Tube instructional videos, the jazz academy JALC Adjudicator for Rhythm Road, State Dept. Tours

Band Director Academy

Featured Soloist, Dizzy's Club Coca Cola

Lincoln Center Jazz Orchestra Member 1991-1993

First LCJO tour

Performed with original Duke Ellington Band Members

Featured Guest Speaker-Juilliard

Essentially Ellington Competition, editor/screening panelist Coltrane 80<sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebration Concert, Allen Room

## **Invited Performance**

2019 Guest Soloist w/Marcus Roberts and the Modern Jazz Generation
 2019 South Adams High School Clinician/Performance, Bern, IN

2018 West Ottowa High School Clinician/Performance, Holland, Michigan

2018	Appel Room: Crescent City Monk Concert—Herlin Riley and Friends
2017	Todd Williams Trio, Opening Act for Gregory Porter- The Palladium
	Christian McBride Big Band-Ella and Dizzy Centennial Celebration
	NJPAC featuring: Gregory Porter, Lizz Wright, Sean Jones, Regina
	Carter, Valerie Simpson and Randy Brecker.
	Oneonta Concert Association 90 <sup>th</sup> Season-TW Quartet
2016	Guest soloist with Lincoln Center Jazz Orchestra-Palladium Theater
	Christian McBride Big Band-Palladium Theater
	Indiana Jazz Legacy Project-Palladium Theater
2015	Wynton Marsalis Septet, Marion Anderson Award, Phila, Pa.
	Nation Jazz Museum of Harlem Civic Jazz performer/panelist
	Darin Atwater Stone Tablets Recording
	The Jazz Drama Program CD, Message from Saturn
2012	Carl Allen Quartet, Kennedy Center Jazz Club, Washington, D.C.
2014	Harry Connick Jr., Dinner w/the Stars Concert St. Louis, Mo.
2007	Charlie Parker Festival artist, NYC Parks Foundation
	Guest Soloist with the Newburg Symphony
1997-2000	Queens College Faculty Performances, Flushing, NY
	Jimmy Heath Tribute Concert with Wynton Marsalis, New York, NY
1998	Special Guest Artist, New York's Century Club annual Jazz Concert
1986-1987	Eastman Jazz Ensemble Rayburn Wright, Conductor, Rochester, NY

# **Invited Teaching**

2020	IMEA Conference Presenter-Jazz Saxophone Techniques/Improvisation
2017-2019	Birch Creek Summer Jazz Camp-Egg Harbor, Wisconsin
2018-2019	Firestone/KAR Front Row-program for IWU jazz students, the Palladium
2017	Oneonta, NY Area High school clinic
2017	JALC Essentially Ellington Competition Coach-5 Seattle Area Schools
2015	Julliard Jazz Orchestra, guest conductor, New York, NY
2013-2019	Beijing Cultural Immersion Program, Indiana Wesleyan University,
	Marion, IN
2016	Russian Cultural Immersion Program, Indiana Wesleyan University,
	Marion, IN

# **Research Advising**

2019	Indiana Wesleyan University Senior Seminar, Anna Benz
2017	Indiana Wesleyan University Senior Seminar, Jonathan Daugherty
2013	Indiana Wesleyan University Senior Seminar, Chris Blue
2014	Indiana Wesleyan University Senior Seminar, Robert McMahon

## **Professional Service**

2018 CIP Lecture, IWU, Jazz History/Culture

IWU Summer Music Academy Camp

2017-2019	Indiana Wesleyan University New Student Registration
2017	Indiana Wesleyan University Courageous Conversations-Adoption
2014-2015	Indiana Wesleyan University New Student Orientation Committee
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## **Professional Affiliation**

**2013-Present** Conn/Selmer Artist

#### **Published Music**

2015 2010

**2015** Todd Williams CD-Lift Up Your Heads

2012 Times Square Church CD release of 4 original composition

2003 Beautiful Things From Above CD-TS Church

## **Honors and Awards**

2017 University City High School Hall of Fame-St. Louis, Mo.

2012 Christian McBride Big Band-Grammy Award Winning Recording, The

Good Feeling

2009 The White House Music Series Clinician/4-time performer, Wash, D.C.

2008 U.S. State Department Tour of India w/Eli Yamin Band

1995-1998, 2006 ASCAP "Special Awards" Recipient

1997 William H. Borden Award Outstanding Jazz Accomplishment, Manhattan

School of Music