

ASHLEY CUMMING – FRENCH HORN

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EDUCATION

Doctor of Music in Horn Performance and Literature 2009-14

Indiana University Jacobs School of Music – Bloomington, IN

Minor Fields: Music History and Literature and Early Music

Dissertation: “*From Hotels to Concert Halls: the Evolution of the Orchestral French Horn Audition*”

Master of Music in Horn Performance 2007-09

University of Victoria, Victoria, BC

Honours Bachelor of Music in Horn Performance 2003-07

Wilfrid Laurier University, Waterloo, ON

Principal Teachers

Jeff Nelsen

Dale Clevenger

Richard Seraphinoff (natural and modern horn)

Kurt Kellan

Nina Brickman

Trevor Wagler

Selected Master Classes

Michael Hatfield

Ondrej Vrabec

Tom Sherwood

Larry Vine

Christopher Gongos

Derek Conrod

Selected Additional Study

Martin Hacklemann

André Cazalet

Martin Bramböck

Johannes Hinterholzer

Julie Fauteux

Willi Schwaiger

ADDITIONAL TRAINING

Fearless Performance for Musicians, Bloomington, Indiana, 2011, 2014

International Sommerakademie, Payerbach, Austria, 2008

Austrian Masterclasses, Zell an der Pram, Austria, 2008

Banff Centre for the Arts Summer Music Program, Banff, Alberta, 2006

Windfest Chamber Music Workshop, Waterloo, Ontario, 2006

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Adjunct Horn Instructor, High Brass Methods Instructor, Marian University, Indianapolis, Indiana, 2012-present

- Teach horn lessons to undergraduate students, adjudicate juries, arrange recitals, coach chamber music
- Teach trumpet and horn techniques and instruction to undergraduate music education students

Adjunct Horn Instructor, Music History Instructor, Indiana University-Purdue University of Indianapolis, Indianapolis, Indiana, 2015-present

- Teach horn lessons to undergraduate music majors
- Teach online course: Special Topics in Music: History of Women in Music

Adjunct Instructor, University of Indianapolis, Indianapolis, Indiana, 2014-present

- Teach Introduction to Music to two sections of up to 40 students
- Serve as horn instructor for Pre-College and Adult Learning programs

Adjunct Instructor, Ensemble Director, Vincennes University, Vincennes, Indiana, 2012

- Teach trumpet, baritone, trombone and tuba lessons for undergraduate major and non-major students
- Lead and administrate university brass ensemble
- Provide brass master classes to undergraduate music students
- Lead and administrate university jazz band

Private Studio Instructor, Indiana, Ontario, British Columbia, 2002-present

- Instruct a private studio of up to 30 members providing individual and group horn and brass instruction for middle school, high school and adult students, including studio recitals and master classes. Students' successes include undergraduate music major and non-major performance scholarships, participation in Indiana All-State Band, All-Region Bands, Drum Corps International, concerto performances, Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra Side-by-side and multiple awards at Indiana State Solo and Ensemble Competitions
- Teach horn performance and education majors as a guest instructor at Wilfrid Laurier University
- Coach high school and undergraduate chamber groups and band sectionals
- Coach University of Victoria brass quintet

Guest Master Class Instructor, Indiana, Mexico, Canada, 2011-present

- Create, implement and teach freshman horn class for horn students at Indiana University
- Teach master classes at Indiana University and Wilfrid Laurier University for horn students, at the Escuela Superior de Musica y Danza de Monterrey in Mexico, Valparaiso University, William Penn University and State College of Florida for general arts and music students
- Teach Fearless Performance at the Indiana University Early Music Institute, Vincennes University, Wilfrid Laurier University, Eastern Kentucky University and Morehead State University for horn and music students
- Teach brass master class and sectionals for New World Youth Orchestras in Indianapolis
- Assist at Fearless Performance for Musicians Summer Seminar at Indiana University

Visiting Instructor, Indiana University Jacobs School of Music: Brass Techniques, 2010-12

- Lecture on modern, natural horn, evolution of hand horn technique, horn instruction and brass pedagogy to music education students

Teaching Assistant, University of Victoria: History of Music 220A, 220B, the Time of Music 391, 2007-09

- Grade assignments, exams and papers, prepare lecture materials
- Lecture and facilitate classroom discussions between fifty undergraduate music students
- Attend Teaching Assistant Workshop, September 2007

Visiting Instructor, University of Victoria, Basic Musicianship 170, 2008

- Teach classes; initiate class warm-ups and lead sight-singing exercises and administer melodic dictations to undergraduate music students

SELECTED PERFORMING EXPERIENCE**Solo**

Concerto soloist, Indiana Junior All State Band and Bay Street Brassworks, Fort Wayne, Indiana 2014

Guest regional artist recital, Midwest Horn Workshop, Oshkosh, Wisconsin, 2013

Guest solo recital, Wilfrid Laurier University, Waterloo, Ontario, 2012

Faculty recital, Marian University, Indianapolis, Indiana, 2012

Featured artist recital, International Women's Brass Conference, Kalamazoo, Michigan, 2012

Solo recital, Vincennes University, Vincennes, Indiana, 2012

Concerto soloist, Sooke Philharmonic Orchestra, Sooke/Metchosin, British Columbia, 2010

Soloist, International Sommerakademie, Payerbach, Austria, 2008

Soloist, Banff Centre for the Arts Summer Music Program, Banff, Canada, 2006
 Concerto soloist, Kitchener-Waterloo Symphony Youth Orchestra, Kitchener-Waterloo, Ontario, 2004
 Featured artist, competition winner, Kitchener-Waterloo and Guelph Kiwanis Music Festivals, 2000-07

Orchestral

Principal horn, Aradia Ensemble/COSI Opera Ensemble, Sulmona, Italy, 2011-present
 Principal horn, Columbus Indiana Philharmonic, Columbus, Indiana, 2013-present
 Substitute horn, Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra, Indianapolis, Indiana, 2013-present
 Hornist, Bel Aire Recording Studios, Indianapolis, Indiana, 2013-present
 Substitute horn, UANL Symphony Orchestra, Monterrey, Mexico, 2011-present
 Substitute horn, Anderson Symphony Orchestra, Anderson, Indiana, 2014-present
 Substitute horn, Richmond Symphony Orchestra, Richmond, Indiana, 2012-present
 Substitute horn, Danville Symphony Orchestra, Danville, Illinois, 2012-present
 Substitute horn, Columbus Indiana Philharmonic, Columbus, Indiana, 2011-13
 Substitute horn, Windsor Symphony Orchestra, Windsor, Ontario, 2012-present
 Substitute horn, Owensboro Philharmonic, Owensboro Kentucky, 2011-present
 Substitute horn, Marian Symphony Orchestra, Marian, Indiana, 2012-present
 Substitute horn, Evansville Philharmonic Orchestra, Evansville, Indiana, 2012-present
 Hornist, l'Orchestre de la Francophonie, Quebec and Ontario, 2010
 Hornist, Indiana University Conductor's Orchestra, Event Orchestra, Bloomington, Indiana, 2010-12
 Principal horn, *Fiddler on the Roof*, Indianapolis, Indiana, 2013
 Second horn, *The Alamo*, Bloomington, Indiana, 2013
 Principal horn, *The Sound of Music*, London, Ontario, 2010
 Principal horn, opera premiere *Small Box*, Bloomington, Indiana, 2009
 Principal horn, opera premiere *To Daniel*, Waterloo, Ontario, 2007
 Principal and second horn, Banff Centre for the Arts Summer Music Program, Banff, Alberta, 2006
 Principal and second horn, Benton Street Baptist Orchestra, Kitchener, Ontario, 2002-07
 Principal and second horn, Kitchener-Waterloo Chamber Orchestra, 2003-07
 Principal horn, Cambridge Community Orchestra Mayor's Gala, Cambridge, Ontario, 2005
 Fourth horn, Guelph Symphony Orchestra, Guelph, Ontario, 2004
 Third horn, Kitchener-Waterloo Community Orchestra, Kitchener-Waterloo, Ontario, 2003
 Second horn, *Oklahoma*, Guelph, Ontario, 2002

Chamber

Spark Brass quintet, Lancaster, Pennsylvania, 2013-present
 Bay Street Brassworks quintet (Dow Artist Management), Indianapolis, Indiana, 2013-14
 Brass quintets, mixed brass and horn ensembles, Indiana, 2010-present
 All-Star and Fox Valley horn ensembles, Midwest Horn Workshop, Oshkosh, Wisconsin, 2013
 Mixed ensemble, Vincennes University Musical Revue, Vincennes, Indiana, 2012
 Horn duo, quartet, sextet, septet, Indiana and Ohio, 2009-11
 Brass ensemble, Monterrey, Mexico, 2011
 Wind quintet, Bloomington, Indiana and Victoria, British Columbia, 2008-09, 2012-13
 Horn trio, wind octet, wind and piano sextet, International Sommerakademie, Payerbach, Austria, 2008
 String and horn sextet, horn octet, Banff Centre for the Arts Summer Music Program, Banff, Alberta, 2006
 Mixed ensemble, Scarborough Theatre Musical *Misery*, Scarborough, Ontario, 2006
 Brass ensemble, Convocation Brass, Wilfrid Laurier University, 2005-06
 Mixed ensembles, Windfest Chamber Music Workshop, 2006
 Mixed ensemble, Waterloo Chamber Players, Waterloo, Ontario, 2006

RELATED EXPERIENCE AND PRESENTATIONS

Presenter, International Women's Brass Conference, Highland Heights, Kentucky 2014

- Presentation topic: *From Hotels to Concert Halls: the Evolution of the North American Orchestral Horn Audition*

Contributor, International Horn Society “Hornzone”, 2013-present

- Provide online articles to the Hornzone magazine, the online journal for young horn players, including “*So You Want to Play Chamber Music?*” in September, 2013 and “*The Art of Practicing*” in May, 2014

Adjudicator, Indiana State School Music Association, Indiana, 2013-present

- Horn adjudicator, Indiana Junior All-State Band
- Horn and brass adjudicator, Solo and Ensemble Contest

Adjudicator, Midwest Horn Workshop, Oshkosh, Wisconsin, 2013

- Adjudicate high school division solo competition

Horn Graduate Assistant, Indiana University Jacobs School of Music, 2010-12

- Assist Brass Ensemble, act as music librarian, write program notes
- Assist horn faculty, to proctor auditions, update library, assemble studio class materials, create brass promotional materials and more
- Coordinate secondary brass and percussion studies, to arrange class schedules, studio assignments, arrange juries and grades and more

Administrator, Grand River Baroque Festival, Ayr, Ontario, 2003-07

- Administrate all aspects of a weekend of seven concerts and events
- Manage personnel for over 50 professional musicians, website creation and management, media contact, music librarian, grant-writer and sponsorship liaison
- Found GRBF Summer Training Program: a Baroque training institute for post-secondary students

Administrative Assistant, Windfest Chamber Music Workshop, Waterloo, Ontario, 2006

- Manage summer music chamber program at Wilfrid Laurier University
- Execute website creation and management, publicity, library duties, and clerical work

SELECTED HONORS AND AWARDS

Doctoral Oral Exam Special Commendation, Indiana University, Bloomington, Indiana, 2012
 Cambridge Arts Recognition Award, Cambridge, Ontario, 2012
 Meir Rimon Commissioning Assistance Award, International Horn Society, 2012
 Artistic Excellence Award, Indiana University, Bloomington, Indiana, 2009-12
 Graduate Fellowship, University of Victoria, Victoria, British Columbia, 2007-09
 Special Event Speaker, Graduate Representative, University of Victoria, Victoria, British Columbia, 2007-09
 Scholarship for study in Austria, Johann Strauss Competition, Victoria, British Columbia, 2008
 Scholarship for Study in Austria, Joseph and Melita Kandler Scholarship, University of Victoria, 2008
 Travel Bursary, University of Victoria Graduate Student Society, 2008
 Full Tuition Scholarship, Banff Centre Summer Master classes, Banff, Alberta, 2006
 Mary Roe Memorial Award, Wilfrid Laurier University, Waterloo, Ontario, 2007
 The Budd Family Music Award, Wilfrid Laurier University, Waterloo, Ontario, 2006
 Woodstock Strings Association Ellen Kellerman Memorial Scholarship, Wilfrid Laurier University, 2006
 Academic Scholarship, Wilfrid Laurier University, Waterloo, Ontario, 2004-06
 The Dorothy M Elliott Scholarship for Performance, Wilfrid Laurier University, Waterloo, Ontario, 2005
 Performance Entrance Scholarship, Wilfrid Laurier University, Waterloo, Ontario, 2003
 Full Tuition Scholarship, Windfest Chamber Music Workshop, Waterloo, Ontario, 2006
 Regional Scholarship, national nominee, Central Ontario Musicians Association, Ontario, 2005
 National Excellence Scholarship, Cooperators Insurance Company, Canada, 2003-05
 Scholarship Recipient, provincial nominee, Kiwanis Music Festival, Kitchener-Waterloo, 2000-03, 06
 Performance and Leadership Scholarships, Kitchener-Waterloo Symphony Youth Orchestra, 1999, 2001-02

SERVICE

Member, International Horn Society, 2010 - present

Member, International Women's Brass Conference, 2012 - present

Music Representative, University of Victoria Graduate Student Society, Victoria, British Columbia, 2007-09

Graduate Representative, University of Victoria School of Music, Victoria, British Columbia, 2007-09

Student Representative, Wilfrid Laurier University, Waterloo, Ontario, 2006-07