

I am a Music Educator from Muncie, Indiana. I was a band director in the public schools in Indiana for 15 years and at Ball State University for 3 years. I have my Bachelor of Music and my Master of Arts, in conducting, from Ball State University. I was the Associate Conductor, clarinet section leader and instrument repair technician for the Indiana Army National Guard Band, Indianapolis, Indiana for 23 years and now makes my home in Kentville, Nova Scotia.

I am a member of the Nova Scotia Band Association, Canadian Band Association, Music Educator's National Conference, and Women Band Director's International Association. I am also a playing member of *14 Wing Brass and Reed Band*, *Bluesmobile*, *Annapolis Big Band* and several small ensembles in and around the Valley.

I am a retired member of the Indiana Army National Guard Band, having served 23 years as an active member. In this unit, I was the Associate Conductor, rehearsal technician, Supply Sergeant, Clarinet Section Leader, squad leader and liaison with the Indiana State School Music Association. I also adjudicated for ISSMA, was the first female guest conductor at the Huntington College Honor Band Weekend, Huntington, Indiana; was a guest conductor for the Kokomo Park Band, Kokomo, Indiana; and was a guest conductor for the Indiana All-Region Junior High Band weekend, 1996. I was also the guest conductor for the Nova Scotia Junior Wind Ensemble and the New Brunswick Honour Band – both in 2005-06.

Since moving to Nova Scotia, I have been awarded the Nova Scotia Music Educator's "Musica Viva" service award to Music Educators in Nova Scotia. I was employed at Musicstop, Ltd. as the Educational Outreach Manager, responsible for giving band clinics, repair clinics, sectionals, and conducting seminars until fall of 2006. I was a long-term substitute at Leslie Thomas Junior High, a term teacher at Horton High School, and am currently the Music Teacher and Director at Northeast Kings Education Centre, Canning, Nova Scotia. I also am the founding director of *North Mountain Concert Band* – a band for beginning and intermediate adult members of the community.

I am the owner/operator of *Atlantic Band Services* where I offer clinics for private individuals and full ensembles and repairs instruments for schools and private customers throughout Nova Scotia.