

Master Resume
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EDUCATION

- Bachelor of Music, Double Major in Music Composition and Double Bass Performance (GPA 3.66)
- Attended University of Texas for one semester aiming to complete a Masters in Music Composition
- Winner of 2017 Baylor Composition Contest: *Ricercar Ner*, premiere performance by Baylor Symphony Orchestra, April, 2018
- Double Bass Performance Scholarship - Baylor Music School, 2015-2019
- Baylor University: Academic Scholarship, 2015-2019
- Music Scholarship - Columbus Avenue Baptist Church (required to play double bass every other Sunday with Wednesday night rehearsals and special events), 2015-2019
- Cinco Ranch High School, Katy Texas; graduated June, 2015; GPA: 4.06

WORK EXPERIENCE

Waco Symphony (Waco, Texas) 2016 - 2018

Double Bass Performer

- Played under Maestro Stephen Heyde and under Dr. Sandor Ostlund, Principal Double Bassist
- 2016-17 season - partial contract (played in 2 concerts)
- 2017-18 season - earned full contract (played in 6 concerts)
- Student contract for both seasons consisted of four 2.5 hour rehearsals plus a concert at the end of each

Music Arranger (Katy and Waco, Texas) 2017 - 2018

- Josh Stewart, Worship Pastor of Kingsland Baptist Church, commissioned arrangement of two hymns (*This is My Father's World & God Bless America*); personally conducted arrangement; 3 concerts during 2018 patriotic celebration for 2,800+ church members and performed by 30-piece church orchestra

- Matthew Hagestuen commissioned smaller re-orchestration for James Horner's *Titanic Suite* played by Baylor Symphony Orchestra, 3 concerts for 1,500+ elementary school children at annual 2018 Children's Concert
- Stephen Heyde commissioned orchestral arrangement for children's song (*Animal Fair*); performed by the Baylor Symphony Orchestra, 3 concerts for 1,500+ elementary school children at annual 2017 Children's Concert

Double Bass Player for various paid gigs (Waco, Texas) 2014 - 2018

- Youth CUE Choir concerts, February 2016, 2018
- University of Mary Hardin Baylor, Broadway short musical in 2017
- Living Word Lutheran Church, Christmas concerts, 2014, 2015, 2016

Lisle Violin Shop (Katy, Texas) Summers of 2016 & 2018

Instrument Cleaner

- Cleaned, changed strings, and checked rental instruments (violins, violas, cellos, and some basses) to be prepared for use again in the upcoming school year
- Learned about basic repair and standard maintenance for string instruments
- Full-time summer job: around 7 hours/day, 5 days/week

Kingsland Baptist Church (Katy, Texas) 2012 - 2015

Kitchen Assistant

- Prepare food (chopping, cutting, slicing, mixing, seasoning) for weekly Wednesday night meals and monthly senior luncheon for 200-300 church members
- Replenish salad and dessert bar items throughout 3-hour meal time
- Clean countertops, wash dishes and load dishwasher
- Part-time job during high school: 8 hours per week plus 4 hours per month and additional work hours as needed (funerals, receptions, special events, etc.)

Favor (Austin, Texas) 2020 (Jan-Jul)

Runner

- Order food and/or miscellaneous items for customers and deliver to them in a timely manner
- Maintain multitasking by placing multiple orders at once while finding an optimal route for delivery
- Part-time job: ~6 hours for 6 days a week

P. F. Changs (Austin, Texas) 2020 (Jul-present)

Take-Out Server

- Prepare take-out orders, package them, hand them to customers, cash them out when needed
- Replenish food items and sauces, replenish ice, clean countertops, restock items needed for take-out
- Help out Dine-in servers when needed, especially during busy hours

Host

- Greet customers with a friendly face and attitude to the restaurant
- Seat reservations and “walk-ins” with a positive attitude
- Take reservations, and maintain a healthy balance of keeping the restaurant busy with guests while not straining the servers too much by estimating times for small to large parties
- Cash out customers and take carry out orders while keeping a close eye on the front desk
- Manage take-out orders, whether online or third-party, by checking the kitchen and carrying them to the front then giving them to the right delivery driver
- Maintain a calm composure while dealing with stress-inducing guests, usually resulting in calling a manager to assess and diffuse the situation

Dine-in Server

- Greet guests at their tables with a positive attitude and take their orders
- Deliver food to their table as well as anything they might need (ie. extra sauces, silverware) while maintaining a friendly, calm and relaxing atmosphere
- Engage in conversation with them in order for them to feel at ease and more at home

Bartender

- Manage guests sitting at the bartop taking their drink and food orders
- Make cocktails, primarily those on a recipe list specific to the restaurant but also simple and common cocktails (ie. martinis, mojitos, margaritas, gin and tonic, sangria)
- Prep garnishes for the cocktails for the whole day
- Prep specific refreshers and juices as needed for the current and coming evening shift

Manager

- Open manage the entire restaurant 1-2 times a week
- Count money in the safe, making sure nothing was stolen
- Oversee minor money transfers going in and out of the restaurant as needed

- Listen to any complaints a guest makes and use the best judgment as to what must be done in order to please the guest
- Supervise front-of-house staff as needed:
 - Make sure everyone shows up on time, and if they're late, call to confirm they're planning to come in to work
 - Fill any gaps in the schedule as needed (whether through not scheduling enough people or staff not showing up)
 - Perform any of the positions listed above as needed and help with any staff front of house
- Remove items from checks for various reasons (customer didn't like it, was too burnt, server ordered the wrong item, etc.)
- Perform line check:
 - Confirm practically everything edible in the restaurant is up to health code standards
 - Test every type of meat, sauce, rice, etc. is the right temperature
 - Taste test soups
 - Make sure everything is covered if it's supposed to be, clean, in the right place, stored as to hierarchy meaning fresher items at the top (lettuce above seafood, which is above pork, above beef, above chicken)
 - Visually confirm all the vegetables and meat are fresh and ready to eat
- Perform bar-line check:
 - Confirm everything around the bar is up to health code standards
 - Make sure every cooler (beer, wine, refrigerators, glass freezer, freezer) is at the right temperature
 - Restock wines, beers, sake and liquor as needed
 - Update shelf life on wines always incentivizing selling wine 3 days old and discarding anything older

Overview

- 35-50 hour work weeks
- Single shifts last 4-6 hours
- Usually scheduled at least 1 double shift with a 30min-1hour break lasting 11-12 hours (including the break)

ACTIVITIES

Baylor Symphony Orchestra, past member

Baylor Wind Ensemble, past member

University of Texas New Music Ensemble, past member

HONORS and AWARDS

Winner of 2017 Baylor Composition Contest: *Ricercar Ner*, premiere performance by Baylor Symphony Orchestra, April, 2018

Finalist of the 2018 American Prize in Orchestral Composition for the composition *Ricercar Ner*

SKILLS, TALENTS & ACHIEVEMENTS

Musical Instruments: Double Bass and Piano

Musical Composition: 40+ originally composed pieces; 15+ arranged songs

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