# Joel E. Gordon, Saxophonist and Music Educator

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### **EDUCATION**

Bachelor of Arts: Instrumental Music (minor in Jazz Studies) - Truman State University (Kirksville, MO)

Undergrad Research, Departmental Honors, Cum Laude, Leadership Scholar & Presser Scholar

Master of Arts in Education: Music - Truman State University (Kirksville, MO)

❖ MO K-12 Music Teaching Certification

Master of Business Administration: Project Management - Park University (Parkville, MO)

# **FULL-TIME WORK EXPERIENCE (ALL)**

Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City (2.5 Years)

- Scrum Master (Feb 2024 Present)
- IT Analyst (Sept 2021 Jan 2024)

KLIFE Ministries 501c3 (2 Years)

Kirksville Chapter Director (July 2019 - June 2021)

Platte County R3 School District (3 Years)

- Platte City Middle School Band Director (June 2016 June 2019)
- Platte County High School Band Assistant Teacher (June 2016 June 2019)

### PART-TIME WORK EXPERIENCE (MUSIC)

- Northland Symphony Youth Saxophone Ensemble (NYSE) Director (2023 Present)
- MidAmerica Nazarene University Saxophone Instructor (2023 2024)
- Kirksville High School Band Teaching Assistant (2019 2021)
- Ravenia Steans Music Institute Production Assistant (Summer 2018)

## **RECENT PERFORMING ENSEMBLES (SAX)**

- Patrick Lentz Band (Pop Kansas City, MO)
- Faux Piano Man (Rock Cover Kansas City, MO)
- St. Joe Big Band (Big Band St. Joseph, MO)
- Vine Street Rumble (Big Band Kansas City, MO)
- Matt Cook Collective (Modern Jazz Kansas City, MO)
- Joel Gordon's Happy Habitat (Modern Jazz Kansas City, MO)
- Cameron Municipal Band (Wind Ensemble Cameron, MO)
- {Trés} (Classical Saxophone/Piano Trio Columbia, MO)

#### RECENT ACADEMIC ACTIVITY

- NWMSU Jazz Festival Judge/Clinician (Maryville, MO)
- 18th and Vine Jazz Festival Judge/Clinician (Kansas City, MO)
- MO All-State Jazz Auditions Judge (Columbia, MO)
- NWMMEA All-District Junior High Jazz Band Clinician (St. Joseph, MO)
- Live Jazz KC High School All Star Big Band Clinician (Olathe, KS)

# RECENT PRIVATE STUDENT HONORS

- MO All-State Concert Band & Jazz Ensemble
- NAfME All-National Honor Concert Band
- Interlochen Saxophone Institute
- Honors Performance Series at Carnegie Hall
- NYU's Broadway Winds Summer Program

### RECENT SCHOLARLY ACTIVITY

- 2024 North American Saxophone Alliance Biennial Conference Recital with NYSE
- 2022 International Conference for Saxophone Performance & Pedagogy Presentation
- 2020 release of "Centennial" on Navona Record José Antonio Zayas Cabán
- 2018 American Single Reed Summit Recital with {Trés}
- 2018 Navy International Saxophone Symposium Recital with {Trés}
- 2017 release of "Along Those Lines" on Radio Therapy Records Matt Cook Collective